

West Heath News

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Hello

We are humbled by your comments during these difficult times and we cannot thank you enough for the support you have given your children and the school. The 'Swipe it Right' video on the school website shows all of the amazing activities the children have been taking part in. It is great!

Sophie's mum (Y2) sent a lovely email to school this week, which the staff shared; they were all so very grateful for the kind words.

During National Sports Week, we hope you have all managed to take part in some of the sports activities available on our school website and Twitter. Last week would have been our West Heath annual sports week and fun run, it is one of the many highlights of the school year where we all come together; next year we will make it extra special!

With the further easing of lockdown regulations, we are excited by the fact that our school community will soon be able to make more happy memories together.



Parents

This week the government have announced a further relaxation of lockdown restrictions. We are very busy planning for a September return to school. We are planning that all children will return to school fulltime hours with the following restrictions.

- 1) There will be a staggered start to the school day.
- 2) There will be a staggered end to the school day.
- 3) There will be no clubs after school.
- 4) There will be no childcare facility.
- 5) There will be no hot meal provision. Children in EYFS, KS1 will be provided with a packed lunch everyday as part of the universal school meal provision provided by the government.
- 6) Children entitled to Free School Meals will be provided with a packed lunch.

- The next stage of our plan will be to offer hot meals;
- This will be followed by afterschool clubs;
- Following this, we will reopen Wrap Around Care.

Our plan will of course have to be adapted, if the government restrictions change. A comprehensive reopening plan will be sent to you within the next couple of weeks.

Please note that the new Reception classes 2020/21 will begin school on a part time...staggered start.

Summer Camp

During the summer break, the school playground will be resurfaced, security lights will be changed, and the hall floor will be re-laid. This will hinder the amount of holiday provision we can provide.

There will however be a 2-week summer fun camp starting week beginning 17th August. Once further information from the contractors is given, I will be able to let you know if we can offer more provision.

Children

In the last week of term, your new teacher will send you a letter and a video introducing themselves and showing you around your new classroom. Mrs Clews will be sending a PING message to your parents next week asking them to let us know if you have any questions for your new teacher. Your questions will be answered in the video.

We know that some of you would also like to be able to see your current teacher but due to Coronavirus restrictions, we will not be able to facilitate this. Your teacher however will be sending you a message and you will speak to them before we break up for the summer.

This summer we will be saying 'Goodbye' to Mrs Savage and Mr Legg. We wish them both well in their next teaching roles. Miss Coltman will be leaving us to teach in Alicante, Spain. We are hoping that the children will be able to use their Spanish skills to communicate with Miss Coltman's new school.

And Finally...

It is good to hear that Olly (Y2) is making a recovery from his terrible accident. Sports week is not the best time to be in a leg cast but Olly has been so brave; next year he will be running in every race! Have a look at his incident report on Twitter!

