



14th June 2021,

Dear Parents/Carers,

The delay of the June 21st lifting restrictions is disappointing as we would have liked parents/carers to be able to attend some of the lovely events we have at school at this time of year such as sports day and end of term picnic. England will remain at Step 3 for a further four weeks and will be put off until July 19th. Current protective measures must be kept in place until there is a further announcement on Step 4 of the roadmap. These measures will help reduce transmission of the virus.

Although restrictions have not been fully lifted we are still working hard to ensure that your children have lots of great learning and memorable experiences this summer and things remain as normal as possible.

Here is an update on what we are doing:

Tue 22nd June- Sports Day

Sports day will be now pupils only, we will hold it class groups as children continue to work in bubbles and then total all team points from each bubble to announce the winning team. We will add photographs onto our school website and of course all children will participate in sports day and we will make it really special for the children.

Wed 30th June- Class Swap/Transition Day

This is an important day to prepare our children for their new year groups/class teacher and class room in September. We will be unable to mix class bubbles but their new teachers will come into their bubbles and prepare children for September. Current Year 1 who will be Year 2 in September will be able to spend the day in their new classroom with their new class teacher Miss Grimes.

Thur 8th July- Class 1 Performance of Jack and the Beanstalk

For parents/carers of Class 1 only. Weather permitting, we will try and hold this performance outdoors permitting one parent/carer per child. Further details will follow.

Fri 9th July- Class 4's performance of WOW! What a Year!

for parents/carers of Class 4 only. Weather permitting, we will try and hold this performance outdoors permitting one parent/carer per child. Further details will follow.

Fri 9th July- Times Table Rockstar Day-further details will follow

Fri 9th July- End of Year Reports sent out to Parents/Carers

Mon 12th July- Parents Open Evening 2-5pm

Unfortunately, we will not be able to allow parents/carers to come into school due to restrictions being delayed but we will send some showcase examples of your child's work home for you to see and celebrate.

Thur 15th July- Y6 Leavers assembly.

for parents/carers of Year 6 only. Weather permitting, we will try and hold this performance outdoors permitting one parent/carer per child. Further details will follow.

Thur 15th July Y6 Prom

This will still be able to take place as planned for children only. Weather permitting before prom starts one parent/carer can come with child to take photographs of Year 6 bubble on school field. Further details will follow.

Fri 16th July- Outdoor Picnic with Parents/Carers and Celebration of Mrs Shaw's Retirement.

Outdoor picnic will still take place keeping class bubbles separate but unfortunately we will not be able to invite parents/carers. We will upload photographs of special celebration on our school website.

Fri 16th July -End of Summer Term

Thur 2nd Sep- Children return to school- I will update parents/carers with start times etc as soon as I have further guidelines from Government.

COVID-19 Information

Please remember that if your child develops any of the three key symptoms of COVID-19, you must keep them off school and book them a PCR test and you need to inform the school that they are absent due to suspected COVID-19. Whilst a lot of the time these tests end up being negative, every potential case of COVID-19 has implications for school - if we are aware that pupils are going for tests, we can begin planning for a potential bubble closure sooner. If we only find out once they have received a positive result, this understandably causes extra strain and stress which could be eased if we were aware of the possibility. In addition to this, we are required to report to the DfE on a daily basis whether we have pupils off for reasons relating to COVID-19, so it is imperative that we know if that is why your child is off so our information can be as accurate as possible.

COVID-19 Symptoms & Testing

It is also important to remember that if you, or your child, develop symptoms of COVID-19, it is not enough to have a lateral flow test, which many of you will be taking on a regular basis. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms must isolate and book a PCR test whether or not you have had a negative lateral flow test.

School Holidays and Term Dates 2020 - 2021

I am sure that many of you will have had holidays cancelled or postponed and will be considering when these can be re-booked for next year. We are seeing a growing number of children on holiday during term time. It is really important to remember that holidays during term times can only be authorised in very exceptional

circumstances. Very few holidays are ever authorised and this is likely to be even lower next year. It is going to be essential for ALL children to be in school as much as possible due to the extended closure of schools during the latter half of this year. Please also bear in mind that if you do decide to take a holiday during term time which has not been authorised, if your child is out of school for more than 7 consecutive days you can be fined - £60 per parent for each child.

Holiday	Closing Date	Date re-open for Teaching Purposes
Summer Holiday	Friday 17 th July 2020	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020
October Half Term	Friday 23 rd October 2020	Monday 2 nd November 2020
Christmas Holiday	Friday 18 th December 2020	Tuesday 5 th January 2021
February Half Term	Friday 12 th February 2021	Monday 22 nd February 2021
Easter Holiday	Friday 26 th March 2021	Tuesday 13 th April 2021
May Day	Friday 30 th April 2021	Tuesday 4 th May 2021
Summer Half Term	Friday 28 th May 2021	Monday 7 th June 2021
Summer Holiday	Friday 16 th July 2021	Thursday 2 nd September 2021

Once again thank you for your support in these challenging times.

Many Thanks

Donna Lee
Head Teacher