



Summer Term Newsletter 2

23rd June 2020



COVID-19 Update

It has been a pleasure to be able to welcome back Year R, 1 and 6 this month. Thank you to everyone for your understanding and support during this time. I understand that staggered timings of the school day, along with following guidance around social distancing can all add to the complexity of your day but we really appreciate the sensible approach that you have all taken.

This half term would usually be full of transition activities and end of year events. Although we are unable to do these as we would usually, we are looking at alternative ways to ensure children have a positive start in September and that our Year 6 children are given a fond farewell at the end of term.

IMPORTANT DATES

End of Term

The final day of the Summer Term will be **Tuesday 21st July.**

Wednesday 22nd will be an INSET day.

I'm sure you will remember that our final INSET day was due to take place on 1st June but we remained open to best meet the needs of children and parents.

We hope that by moving this to the final day of the summer term it will limit disruption to our families.

INSET Days 2020-21

I can now share with you the dates of planned INSET days for next academic year. I hope that the timing of these at the start and end of terms and by sharing the dates early, it will help you when re-arranging any cancelled family trips for the coming year.

The Hampshire School Calendar can be found:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>

Our additional day closures are:

Thursday 3rd September

Friday 4th September

Monday 4th January

Friday 12th February

Monday 7th June

We expect the first day of the autumn term to be: **Monday 7th September 2020**. Once we receive further guidance from the Government and Local Authority, I will be able to give you more information about what this will look like.

School Values, Logo and Website

In the last newsletter I shared the exciting news of a new logo design. We are in the final stages and hope to be able to share this with you prior to the summer break!

As a part of this work we will be setting up a new, fresh website which we hope will be more user friendly for yourselves and link directly to our social media. At the end of July you will notice that the school website will change to a basic 'work in progress' site. You will still be able to access all the necessary documents but it will look a little different.

Our new website will be built over the summer, ready for September!

Goodbye and Good Luck

At the end of this term Mr Morrow will be leaving Brockhurst Primary in order to teach at a school he has strong links with in Fareham. We would like to thank Mr Morrow for all of his hard work and wish him all the best for the future. His new school is lucky to have him!

At the end of this week Miss Gunner officially starts her maternity leave. We would like to thank Miss Gunner for her help and support with online learning during this tricky time and wish her the best of luck as she approaches her due date. We look forward to some baby pictures very soon!

Welcome

We know you will join us in giving a warm welcome to:
Miss Lever who will be joining our team in Year R as the teacher of **Puffin Class**

Miss Murphy who will be teaching in Year 2, **Swan Class**

Miss Ellis who joins us in Year 4 as **Golden Eagle Class** teacher

Changes for September

Mrs Cox will be teaching in Year 6 from September as Peacock Class teacher.

All other teachers remain in their current year groups.

Classes 2020

Although everything looks very different in school at the moment, we have been preparing for September in the usual way by looking at classes to best support the children on their return to school. This will mean that some year groups will have a shuffle so that we can best meet all of the children's needs. Children will receive an invitation to their new class in a few weeks time. If your child is learning at home, this will come via post.

Unfortunately we are unable to undertake the usual transition activities but we will be making videos to introduce your child's new teacher and classroom. We are also exploring other opportunities for transition visits where possible. Further details of these will be shared once confirmed.

We know that the Government intend for all children to be back to school in September, but at this point without additional information around what the social distancing guidance will be, we are unable to share what this will look like.

Please be assured that we will communicate any information with you as it is shared with us.

Please continue to take care and stay safe.

We look forward to seeing you all again when safe to do so.

Yours sincerely
Miss Amelia Cripps
