

July 2020

What a very different school year this has turned out to be! When schools were instructed to close to all but vulnerable and key worker children in March, we had no idea when we would see some sort of normality return. It has therefore, been so lovely to see some of the children return to their classes this half term.

Goodbyes and Hellos

Like every school in the country, we have been unable to say goodbye to children leaving us at the end of the school year, in the usual way. However, we are so pleased, that this week we have been able to invite Y2 back for an active goodbye session. We wish all our Y2s our best wishes as they continue their school journey. We hope they always remember their time with us with fondness.

As well as children, we have to say goodbye to Mrs Naylor at the end of this term. Mrs Naylor has been at the school since 2011 and many of your children will have been in her care during this time. I am sure like us you wish her all the best for the future. We are delighted to let you know that we have appointed Miss Edwards permanently as teacher of Hazel class for the new year. Some of you will know that Miss Edwards replaced Mrs Daley in Rowan class earlier this year. In addition, we are excited to welcome Mr Easeman as teacher to Oak class and Miss McGhee as teacher to Mulberry class. Both Mr Easeman and Miss McGhee have recently been teaching in London schools.



NHS Track and Trace

Since 8th Junemore children have been able to come back to school, but it is going to take a while before everything is back to normal. Reopening to school fully, needs to happen very carefully. It is important the risk of spreading the virus to staff, children and their families is kept as low as possible and we will need everyone to work together to do this. Staff, parents and children can help make this happen, by sticking to the guidelines and following the below instructions in the event of a possible case:

If your child or anyone in your household begins to show COVID-19 symptoms you should:

- All stay at home and not go out for at least 7 days. Those without symptoms should stay home for at least 14 days.
- Let school know as soon as possible the reason your child is not attending school. (If they are unwell with symptoms of a non-Covid illness you should still inform school as soon as you can).
- Order or **book a coronavirus test ASAP**

Once you have the results of your tests:

- If the test is negative your child can go back to school and the rest of the household can go back to school / work too.
- If the test is positive you must carry on with the self-isolation. A track and trace health professional will be in touch to see if they need to ask any other contacts to self-isolate.
- Tell school the results, negative or positive, straight away. If the test is positive, the school will need to ask others that have been in close contact from school to self-isolate too.

Classes for September

You should all now be aware of which class your child is in, from September. Sadly, this year we have been unable to offer our usual visits. However, please check out the 'moving on videos' on our school website and our school Facebook page including the 360 video the Norwich Opportunity Area made for children moving into reception. Staff have also made year group booklets for each family to share with their child/children.

The Full Reopening of School from September

The government has recently published guidance for the full reopening of schools in September. As you may have seen in the news, all children will be expected to attend school as normal from Monday 7th September. However, we are likely to continue with staggered start and pick up times in September for classes/year groups and continue with some of the arrangements we have had to put in place this term. We will let you know exactly what this will look like at the beginning of September, before your child/children come back on **Monday 7th September**. Please note that **nursery children** will start back **from Wednesday 9th September** (please check your individual letters).



Lastly, we want to thank all our families for your understanding and support, during this very difficult time. We are very much looking forward to seeing you again in September and hope that you are able to enjoy the summer holidays.

A photograph of a young child looking out of a window. The child is wearing a blue shirt and is looking towards the right side of the frame. The background shows a blurred outdoor scene with trees and a building.

**SEE SOMETHING
HEAR SOMETHING
SAY SOMETHING**

These are difficult times and families are under huge amounts of pressure - we are here to help

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