

Wednesday 1 July 2020

Dear Parents

End of summer term arrangements

As I am sure you will appreciate, the current guidance on working in protective bubbles of 15 children with limited numbers of staff means that our usual transition arrangements and preparations for the start of the autumn term are severely limited. For this reason, we have taken the decision to close the school for an additional two days in order to provide opportunities for transition meetings to take place in the safest way possible.

School will therefore be closed for ALL bubbles on Monday 20 July and Tuesday 21 July.

Year 6 celebrations

Despite the obvious logistical difficulties, we aim to provide our Year 6 children with a range of opportunities to celebrate their time at Grange Park. These will include a curated collection of children's contributions to make a 'digital keepsake', a recorded musical production that all children can participate in regardless of whether they are learning in school or at home, and a final 'live' assembly at **11am, Thursday 16 July**. *Full details of how to contribute to the celebrations will be posted in Google Classrooms.*

In addition, Year 6 will have a final farewell on the field (weather permitting) on **Friday 17 July, 3:45-4:45pm** and we hope that all children will be able to attend. *Full details and guidance on social distancing to follow.*

Transition arrangements for Nursery

Nursery bubbles in school and children home learning will have the opportunity to say goodbye to each other and our Nursery staff via Google Meets. This will be on **Friday 17 July at 9:30am**. *Full details of how to participate will follow.*

Reception and Year 1 children

On **Wednesday 15 July (for Reception children)** and **Thursday 16 July (for Year 1 children)**, children currently in school learning in bubbles will have the opportunity to say goodbye to their current teacher and be introduced to their new teacher on the field (weather permitting). Children currently home learning will be invited to join these sessions. These sessions will take place at **3:45-4:45pm**. *Full details and guidance on social distancing to follow.*

Transition arrangements for Years 2 to Years 5

Children in year groups that have not been in school during lockdown will have the opportunity to say goodbye to their current teacher and meet their new teacher on the field (weather permitting), in groups of 15 children, on **Monday 20 July or Tuesday 21 July**. *Full details and guidance on social distancing to follow.*

For all year groups, teachers and support staff will post video farewells to their current classes and greetings to their new classes via Google Classrooms on Monday 20 July.

Final whole school assembly

A final whole school assembly will be posted in all Google Classrooms on Monday 20 July. Please watch this with your children. It is a chance for us as a community to reflect on all that has been achieved this year.

Google Classrooms

Home learning will continue to be posted in all Google Classrooms up to and including Tuesday 21 July. However, **from 2pm on Tuesday 21 July** when the school will close finally to all staff, **teachers will no longer answer questions or comment on handed-in work.**

Staffing in September, we will let you know who your child's class teacher will be via Parentmail next week.

Plans for September

The government will be publishing their plans for the reopening of schools this week. We will let you know more about plans for September once we have received this and had the opportunity to formulate a plan.

I know the end of year isn't quite the same, however I am sure the children will still enjoy seeing their friends and teachers albeit in these circumstances.

Thank you all for your continued support. With my very best wishes to you and your family.

Tijen Hassan
Headteacher