

14<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear parents and carers,

We made it! This has truly been a year for the record books. In some ways, it has been the most memorable year and in others it has been one of the most challenging. We know how hard this has been for our staff, pupils and families. It's sad that pupils won't get to say goodbye to their friends, teachers and our Year 6's won't get their proper celebrations.

We are truly grateful for the support that you have shown the school during this difficult time. The efforts that have gone into the remote learning and the work children have done at home is awe inspiring. If you have not yet collected your report please attend school at your earliest convenience to do so.

As we close this year and begin working on the 2020-2021 school year, we want to share a few updates so we can all be prepared for a successful start to the school year.

#### **Attendance**

Schools have received instructions from the government that all children are to return to school in September with amendments to the school routine that will accommodate the ongoing situation. School will start back on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020**. It will be compulsory for all children to attend with **good or better attendance of 96%**. The schools attendance policy will be reinstated including fines for unauthorised absences. Please be aware that if you call school to state your child will not be attending as they have one or more of the **symptoms associated with Covid-19** then you will be required to take your child for a test immediately. The symptoms include:

- **A sore throat**
- **A temperature**
- **A new persistent cough**
- **A loss of smell or taste**

As we ease out of the government's lockdown procedures, we are committed to maintaining our health and safety routines. To accommodate our families comfortably, the following drop off/collection times will be in operation:

	<b>Nursery + Reception</b>	<b>Y1, Y2 + Y3</b>	<b>Y4</b>	<b>Y5 + Y6</b>
<b>School day</b>	8.30am – 3.00pm		9.00am – 3.30pm	

Please ensure children arrive promptly so as not to miss the start of lessons. If a child in Year 4, 5 and 6 has a sibling in EYFS, KS1 or Year 3, they can start school at 8.30am and finish at 3.00pm. They will be able to attend free breakfast club between 8.30am and 9am. Breakfast Club will provide food from 8am till 8.30am.

## One Way system

There will also be a **one way system in operation**. Children and parents must **enter** the school site from the **Ewart Street entrance**, walk around the school building into the playground for drop off and then parents **exit out of the back gate on to Smith Road**. This to avoid large groups of people congregating and passing each other and therefore limiting the risk of transmission.

## Parent Pay

We are no longer able to take cash payments and respectfully ask all families to set up a Parent pay account for school meals and educational visits. If you need help and support with this please ask at the school office.

## Staffing

We say good bye to Mr Metcalfe at the end of the school year, who has been successfully appointed as Associate Head of Academy and will be working at schools across Delta Academies Trust. Mr Rayner and Miss Khanum also come to the end of their contracts with us. We wish them all the best for the future.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Support Staff</b>
<b>FS1</b>	Mrs Ingham	Mrs Edwards
<b>FS2</b>	Miss Mayers Nicola Heeley Miss Jennings	Miss Donlan
<b>Y1F</b>	Alex Fidge	Aimee Senior
<b>Y1J</b>	Miss James	Mrs Jina Mr Amin
<b>Y2B</b>	Miss Bi	Mr Bashir Mrs Kauser
<b>Y2MT</b>	Mrs Merrick and Mr Tordoff	Mrs Wajid and Mrs Malik
<b>Y3FR</b>	Mrs Firth-Rymer	Ms Hague Miss Zahra
<b>Y3K</b>	Miss Khatun	Mrs Mahmood
<b>Y4TM</b>	Mrs Tempest Mitchell	Mrs Qamar Mr Bryant
<b>Y4M</b>	Mrs Mcmanus Mr Iqbal	Mrs Kaur
<b>Y5K</b>	Mrs Khan	Miss Crowther Mrs Vickers
<b>Y5R</b>	Miss Rowley	Mrs Khanum Mrs Skelly
<b>Y6R</b>	Mrs Raj	Mrs Jacques
<b>Y6Q</b>	Miss Qayyum	Mrs Dhillon Mrs Henson

If you have any queries about September please contact the school office before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. School closes at 3.30pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July and opens again on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. During the summer holidays please be aware that there may be a delayed response to any email queries that you may send. Staff will also not be accessing the Class Dojo accounts during the break. There may be communications about any further government guidance that may need to be communicated to you so please ensure we have your up to date email address.

There is a full risk assessment and Health and Safety arrangements in place to work towards limiting transmission of Covid-19. Risk assessments and arrangements will be under constant review and we will endeavour to keep you updated on a weekly basis about any revisions to this.

We look forward to seeing you all in September. Have a relaxing summer break and take care of yourselves and your family.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. R. Binns

Head of Academy