



## Summer 2 Newsletter 2021

# Heads Up

Dear Families & Friends,

We have had such a busy time since school reopened fully and it is wonderful to be gradually reducing restrictions and bringing school back to normality in line with the Government's roadmap.



### Swimming Pool

We have now concluded all swimming lessons in our onsite pool; despite a few difficulties at the beginning of the second week, this has been a huge success and we are hopeful to have the pool for a longer period next year. Staff have been very supportive; giving their time after school for our youngest children to have a splash and we have all been so happy to see and hear the joy from our pupils. Thank-you for trusting us with this new venture! We have been the first school in Wirral to provide onsite swimming and we are grateful for the support of families to make sure children have their kit and attend at the correct times so sessions could run smoothly.

### COVID UPDATE

COVID rates remain very low in Wirral and we are currently lower than Cheshire and Merseyside, however, new variants have increased rates of positive cases in several areas across the North West. The Indian variant is currently of most concern and we will carefully monitor cases as we reduce restrictions. Our staff will continue to test twice weekly and we would ask that all families access PCR testing for any household member presenting with a high temperature, new or persistent cough or loss of taste or smell. Whilst waiting for test results, all members of the household are still required to isolate. Should any family member receive a positive test over half term, please email the school office to inform us so that we can continue contact tracing and ensure there is no risk of transmission in our community. The account will be checked regularly for **COVID** or **SAFEGUARDING** alerts so that we may provide advice and support. Other general enquires will be responded to on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.



### Arrangements for After Half Term

Whilst gradually reducing restrictions, the following will be in place after half term:

- Y3 and Y6 will return to their original allocated classes and classrooms.
- F2 and Y1 will have lunch in the hall in their year groups
- Children will all have separate year group lunches and playtimes will not be mixed
- CC4C will return to usual groups and numbers
- Parents and carers must continue to wear masks to access the site

### Drop off and collection arrangements will change slightly

This will help us to return to usual teaching times, whilst keeping reduced numbers of adults on site.

### All pupils to arrive between 8.45 – 8.55am via the following gates:

- F2 / Y1 - Grey Gate drop off
- Y2 / Y3 / Y4 - Green Gate drop off
- Y5 / Y6 - Driveway Gate drop off



**The one-way systems will continue at the end of school for collecting via the following gates and times:**

F2 / Y1	-	Grey Gate	-	3.15pm	-	exit via grey gate
Y2	-	Green gate	-	3.15pm	-	exit via buzzer gate
Y3 & Y4	-	Green Gate	-	3.30pm	-	exit via buzzer gate
Y5 & Y6	-	Driveway gate	-	3.30pm	-	exit via driveway

**All siblings to be collected together at 3.30pm via the grey gate**



## Parking

The school office has received a number of complaints from local residents and parents in the past week. We do understand that parking can be difficult at peak times, but urge our families to be considerate of residents and not block driveways or roads so people cannot get to work or appointments and there is a risk that emergency vehicles cannot pass. Similarly when parking on roads please be aware of crossing points; small children cannot be seen waiting to cross the road if there are multiple parked cars and we worry that there may be an accident due to lack of visibility. Schools can only encourage families to be careful; parents and residents can contact the community police and street scene for concerns. Please avoid unsafe practices or potential fines and be considerate to our neighbours. The Parish Centre car park is often empty and can be used to park and walk up to school safely.



## CCPA Events

Our parents association is keen to open up their fundraising activities after half term; the first of which will be the annual Father's Day gift sale where for a small amount, children can purchase a wrapped surprise! Whilst we felt it unwise to plan a summer fair this year, CCPA are aiming to host year group open-air events where each year group can enjoy games and stalls in our forest area after school. They will be sending out further details and are looking for families to support them from each year group so they can provide fun for children and parents to enjoy together.



We have set provisional dates for sports days and if safe and restrictions have continued to reduce, we will invite families to watch their children. If we need to continue with restrictions, the children will still have their sports days and year groups will send photographs and awards home – provisional dates are at the end of this letter, let's hope we can go ahead as planned!

## PSHE & SRE

From September 2021, there is a statutory expectation for schools to provide regular Personal, Social and Health Education. We have spent a significant amount of time researching various schemes of work to find one that fits with our Christian Ethos and ensures we can provide children with the necessary understanding and skills to be healthy, have positive relationships and keep safe. We are happy that we have developed an effective programme and will share this with you on our website after half term. We will send families an email with a link to the curriculum overviews and then set up outdoor tables manned by teachers that will show the resources we plan to use and be an opportunity for families to ask us any questions. Miss Phillips and Miss Osbourne are our PSHE subject leaders and they have worked together with me to ensure we have a thorough and appropriate curriculum.



## Reception Area Leak!

We have had a very large leak through our flat roof in the office areas during the season of heavy rain. The areas have been dried and we have submitted a bid for roof works through the Academy Capital Funding scheme. Admin staff have relocated to use the Assistant Headteacher's office so they are still working at



the front of the school to greet visitors and answer queries. If you would bear with us whilst these works are ongoing, we would appreciate your support as it is causing slight delays in answering the buzzer gate.



## Developing Art at Christ Church

To further enhance our curriculum offer and provide opportunities for children to be creative, we are developing an art studio in one of our outbuildings so that it will be ready for use in September. We will be recruiting an Art specialist to provide PPA cover (teachers' planning and assessment time) for classes so that children can enjoy developing their skills with an expert.



## New Classes & End of Year Reports

Children will find out about their new teachers for next year at the end of June and will visit their new classes on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, when our Y6 move up to High School for the day. Their current teachers are working hard to make sure they cover as much of the curriculum as possible so pupils are in a good position for moving up to their next year groups. We are continuing with catch up sessions next half term; our children have been so resilient over the past year of disruptions and teachers are working hard to cover missed curriculum without putting pressure on children. Your child's end of year report will be published on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July and will outline their strengths this year and any gaps in learning that we are focusing on to help them catch up.



## Summer Holiday Club

Each year a small number of families request holiday clubs for the summer, but unfortunately not sufficient to cover the costs of running one. Last year were able to run after receiving a grant to provide some funded places. This year we have applied again to the Holiday Activity Fund project, asking for support to offer resource packs and home cookery boxes in week 1 of the holidays and then funded places on a holiday club for weeks 2,3 and 4; 26<sup>th</sup> July – 13<sup>th</sup> August. The holiday club would provide English and Maths sessions in the mornings with a rotation of activities in the afternoons: Forest Schools, Art & Craft or Multi-Sports. We should find out if the grant has been successful by the week of 21<sup>st</sup> June so will let families know as soon as we hear and send out information for booking places.



## School Photographs

We have arranged for a photographer to come to school on the first day after half term – **TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JUNE** to take class photos and individual photos of our Year 6 leavers. Please make sure your child attends in **full school uniform** on this day and not wearing PE kits.

Have a super half term break and we will see you for lots more learning fun next half term!

Thank-you for your support,  
Mrs Amanda Donelan  
Headteacher

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<b>28/5/21</b>	<b>School closes for half term</b>
<b>7/6/21</b>	<b>INSET day – school closed</b>
<b>8/6/21</b>	<b>School open for pupils</b> Class photo day – <b>ALL PUPILS TO WEAR FULL UNIFORM</b>
17/6/21	CCPA Father's day sale
24/6/21	New F2 parent meeting carousel 5pm
28/6/21	Y2 Sports Day 1pm Y1 Sports Day 2.15pm After school Y2 CCPA event in Forest School area
29/6/21	After school Y5 CCPA event in Forest School area Y3 & Y4 PSHE information sharing
30/6/21	KS2 Sports Day After school Y6 CCPA event in Forest School area
1/7/21	F2 Sports Day 2pm Y5 & Y6 PSHE information sharing
2/7/21	Y6 pupils induction day in secondary schools New F2 visit school for Teddy Bear's picnic All classes to have time with new teachers
5/7/21	After school F2 CCPA event in Forest School area
6/7/21	After school Y3 CCPA event in Forest School area Full Governing Body Meeting
7/7/21	After school Y1 CCPA event in Forest School area Teaching & Learning Governor Committee Meeting
8/7/21	Race for Life Day for all pupils Y6 Leaver's Play 6pm
9/7/21	Reports published for parents & carers
12/7/21	Y6 Leaver's Play 6pm
15/7/21	Y6 Leaver's Awards Party
16/7/21	9am – Y6 Leaver's Church Service <b>School closes for pupils</b>