

Dear Parents,

I have a bit of information that I need to share with you - so I thought I would do an update newsletter. There is quite a bit of information about events happening in our final half term and other updates to share - so apologies if this is a bit long winded! (but you all know how I like to waffle!!)

When we get there, I hope you all have a relaxing and safe (and fingers crossed) sunny Whit holiday break.

Mrs Walmsley



Covid Update - Stage 3 Roadmap

The guidance for schools has been released to reflect the stage 3 easing coming into force on the 17th May. Essentially, primary schools carry on as we have been doing all along!

I do appreciate that we will all have more freedoms in getting back to normal over the coming weeks but we have decided as a school to keep things exactly as they are until the end of the year.

I am mindful that the majority of my staff are still young enough that they have not yet been vaccinated and that lots of parents will not have been vaccinated either. I know many staff members and parents are still VERY anxious about keeping themselves safe and we still have clinically vulnerable members of our community that we need to look after. We all still have a duty of care to each other to keep our community safe and protected for as long as we can. **Staggered starts, drop offs and asking parents to wear face masks around the school site will continue** and whilst I know we are now allowed to hug - please don't do this around school; **please remain socially distant**. For now at least, we will stay in our class bubbles. This may be reviewed in June as I would like to get to a point where year groups can mix again - but for now the guidance is still clear that we need to keep our bubbles the same.

The vaccine only stops you getting very poorly – it doesn't stop you catching the virus completely, so a reminder that if anyone shows signs of Covid, they and their household MUST self-isolate whilst a PCR test is taken and then follow the rules as per the result of the test.

Large gathering parent events will not take place as they normally do in the final half term. We won't be having a school fair, or other events that are normally organised by FOPR. We will be doing our very best to hold some events for the children (in their own bubbles) as you will be able to see later on in this newsletter.

I hope that parents will understand and support this stance. We have been very lucky throughout that we have had so few cases - so we are doing something right! I know of several local schools that have had to shut bubbles recently as they have had positive cases and I do not want to jeopardise the final half term in school by easing up too quickly!

Thank you for your understanding and sticking to school guidance even though we are being stricter than what the roadmap allows.

Parent Consultations

As you will see from the calendar, we have planned parent consultation days for the week back after the Whit holiday. We will be using the school cloud system we used previously.

They have updated their system so that 2 parents can join the video call from different locations (which I know was an issue the last time we used this system). Please see the attached events list for which classes are being done on which days and a separate letter with log on details etc will come out in the next day or so.

Online Safety Parents Workshop

Tuesday 15th June 5:00pm – 6:00pm

We have had several online safety issues that whilst have happened at home, we have had to manage in school. We have therefore decided to run a workshop for parents on Online Safety. Whilst our children know the rules of how to keep themselves safe online, it is apparent that they aren't using these rules in real life and so we want to be able to support parents in managing online usage at home. **I would really like parents of children in years 4, 5 and 6 to attend this online workshop** – as these are the children who have more independent access to online via phones/tablets and need the most help in navigating being online. But the workshop is appropriate for all parents across the school. Look out for an email from Miss Fernley after the holiday.



Euros Day

On Friday 18th June, school will be celebrating the football European

Championship. Throughout the day the children will create collaborative projects about a country entered in the Euros, and take part in lots of teambuilding events both inside and outside (carefully protected within their class bubble of course!) Everyone will need to wear PE kit.

This day coincides with England playing Scotland, so I thought that as a treat for the **JUNIORS only, we are going to screen the game live in our junior classrooms**. Children from years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be able to come back to school in time for kick off and watch the match with their friends in their classroom. **Kick-off is not until 8pm** – so it's going to be a late night - which is why this is only suitable for junior aged children. **There will be an entry fee of £2.00. Children can wear football kits/ England / Scotland outfits, bring sweets and a drink for the match.** A letter will come out nearer the time but I wanted to give you some notice!

Sports Day

We have decided that we will be running our annual Sports Day event this year (weather permitting) – but unfortunately it will be held 'behind closed doors' as parents will not be invited to attend. I am sorry that we can't have spectators this year and I hope you will understand this decision – we want the children to have the opportunity to compete in sports day as normal, whilst keeping our whole school community safe. We will however, take an enormous amount of photos and videos and share them with you after our event.



Tuesday 8th June	Parents Consultation Day for Classes: 6C, 5G, 4F, 3DJ, 2F, 1P, LIONS
Wednesday 9th June	Class Photos Parents Consultation Day for Nursery
Thursday 10th June	Parents Consultation Day for Classes: 6FM, 5L, 4B, 3CB, 2R, 1A, TIGERS Reception: Eye Tests
Tuesday 15th June	Science Share Day Online Safety parents workshop 5-6pm
Wednesday 16th June	Y6 Enterprise: Dragons Den Day
Friday 18th June	Euro's Day England v Scotland – big screening in classrooms for years 3 4 5 6 8:00pm
Thursday 24th June	Y6 Enterprise: Marketing Day to school
Wednesday 30th June	EYFS Transition Parent workshop 5-6pm
Friday 2nd July	Break the Rules Day (FOPR - details to follow)
Monday 5th July	Y6 Enterprise: Order deadline day
Tuesday 6th July	Trafford Music Extravaganza for the whole school
Friday 9th July	Y6 Enterprise: Enterprise Day – Collection
Tuesday 13th – Friday 16th July	Newlands Residential for Year 6
Friday 16th July	EYFS Transition visits (R & N)
Monday 19th July	Transition Class Visits – AM Reports out to parents
Tuesday 20th July	Sports Day
Wednesday 21st July	FOPR – Cake Sale Prize Giving
Friday 23rd July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly Last day of the Academic Year!