



30th June 2020

Dear Families,

I am pleased to report that we have had another great two weeks for those pupils that have been attending school. There has been some fantastic learning taking place. Yew Class have been making stop motion animation and Cherry Tree have been making bread and jam. Year 6 have been paleontologists, carrying out investigations. Year 1 have been writing stories about Dogger. Reception have been making clay faces for the outside area. Nursery have enjoyed being in school with their friends and teachers. We are so lucky to have our outside areas to do our learning. Lots of classes have been to St Anne's woods.

There will be a full newsletter next week but there are some important messages I wanted to deliver earlier to families to support with planning over the next few weeks, the summer break and into September.

End of Term:

End of term is Thursday 16th July at 1.15 pm for our key worker and vulnerable pupils – Yew and Cherry Tree bubble.

Nursery:

Tuesday 14th July

Reception Group A (Monday and Tuesday Group): Tuesday 14th July

Reception Group B (Thursday and Friday Group): Friday 10th July

Year 1: Tuesday 14th July

Year 5 and 6 Group A (Monday and Tuesday Group): Tuesday 14th July

Year 5 and 6 Group B (Thursday and Friday Group): Friday 10th July

The Kingfisher School will not be open during the summer holidays.

September:

We are waiting on guidelines from the Department of Education about expectations for September. Once we have these, we will communicate a plan for September. We will need to be sure that we can fulfil the health and safety guidelines before all pupils can come back as the safety of pupils and staff is paramount.

Based on current Bristol City Council guidance and following discussions with David Watson, CEO of Venturers Trust and with our Local Governing Body we want to inform you that the new start date for Term 1 will be Monday 7th September 2020. The Kingfisher School welcomes this decision as this means that we can respond to any new information from the DfE during the summer, inform parents and get any additional measures in place in addition to carrying out the normal staff training which is so important at the beginning of any academic year.

Transition Arrangements:

Reception and Nursery

You will be receiving an invitation to a 'Teams' meeting.

Nursery: 9.30 am Thursday 9th July

Reception: 11 am Thursday 9th July

We will be sending out an email out with an acceptable use agreement which needs to be signed online in order to attend this meeting.

Any pupils new to Kingfisher in Nursery and Reception will be informed of any extra transition arrangements for September when they have been confirmed.

Year 4, 5 and 6 have been split to make two classes. You will be contacted on Wednesday 1st July to know which class your child will be in.

Class teachers for academic year 20/21

Nursery: Rachel Risdale

Reception: Kat Belcher

Year 1: Gina Lewis

Year 2: Lisa Carey, Dan Ross

Year 3: Mimi Fearon

Year 4/5: Dan Massey

Year 5/6: Claire Barker

On Wednesday 8th July, we will be holding webinars for your child to say goodbye to their old teacher and say hello to their new teacher.

Timings are:

Children going into Year 1:	9.00 am with Kat Belcher and Gina Lewis
Children going into Year 2:	9.45 am with Gina Lewis, Lisa Carey and Dan Ross
Children going into Year 3:	10.30 am with Lisa Carey, Dan Ross and Mimi Fearon
Children going into Year 4/5	11.15 am with Mimi Fearon and Dan Massey
Children going into Year 5/6	1 pm with Dan Massey and Claire Barker

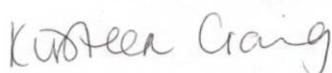
Year 6 leavers are invited to come into school to say goodbye at 11 am Thursday 16th July. Due to the current circumstances, this will only be able to be children and no families.

Reports:

Reports will be sent out over the next few weeks. These include assessments and targets that were set at the end of Term 3, just before school closed due to COVID-19. These will have been shared with many of you already during parents evening. The addition to the reports will be the personalised comments about your child's attitudes to learning and personal comments from your child's class teacher. As statutory assessments did not occur and attendance reporting was not required post lockdown, we will not be reporting End of Key Stage Assessments and overall attendance %s this year.

I hope that as lock down is easing that you are able to start seeing friends and family again. Please do stay safe whilst doing so. Thank you again to everyone who has sent messages of support and shared comments to inform developments. I am truly proud of how our school has risen, and will continue to rise, to the challenges of the last few months.

Yours faithfully



Kirsteen Craig
Principal