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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are almost at the end of an extremely unusual academic year. The constant uncertainty since March 2020 has been a challenge, leading to anxiety for some of you, some of the children and some of the staff. Whilst these remain unsettling times, we have found that by working in partnership we are able to adapt to the necessary changes.

The last day of term will be Thursday 16th July and then year 6 will be having their leavers' brunch on Friday 17th July between 10am and 12noon.

Academic year 2020/2021

We are starting to plan for next academic year, but we do not know exactly what is happening yet. I am assuming that any further government guidance for school reopening will be based on what is happening in relation to coronavirus during the summer and at the moment there continues to be some uncertainty around this.

Please look out for further communication from me during the summer holidays.

Current plans for the return to school

The children will return to school on Monday 7th September, but the staff will be returning on Wednesday 2nd September for three training days.

We usually start the year with two training days but this year we are starting with three to ensure that all mandatory training has been covered and that all is in place for the academic year ahead. The training includes mandatory child protection training, first aid training for some staff (as all face to face training was cancelled during lockdown), our annual updates on policies session and training on planning for the delivery of the curriculum post lock down, given the different starting points of the children.

During the first three training days I will also be consulting with all relevant parties, (including those not available during the school holidays), about the risk assessment that must be in place in order for the school to open to all pupils and staff.

Please see the term dates for 2020 and 2021. All schools are expected to have training days. These are shown as TAD dates in our calendar. This year all the primary phase schools in our network learning community (NLC) have scheduled the first three training dates to be at the same time so that where necessary we are able to have joint sessions in preparation for what will be an unusual academic year.

Towards the end of August, when we have up to date government guidance, I will contact you with more specific information on what the plans are for the term ahead. I apologise for the lack of clarity at this time, but at present the school does not yet have confirmed information to share with you. However, I can assure you that our staff team are dedicated teachers and once we are all back to school we will ensure that we continue to support your child and that we will work hard to address any gaps in learning.

Term Dates 2020/2021

Autumn (1 st half)	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020– Friday 23 rd October 2020 (NB children back on Monday 7th September)	38
Half term Holiday	Monday 26 th October 2020 – Friday 30 th October 2020	-
Autumn (2 nd half)	Monday 2 nd November 2020 – Friday 18 th December 2020 (NB children back on Tuesday 3rd November)	35
School Holiday	Monday 21 st December 2020 – Friday 1 st January 2021	-
Spring Term (1 st half)	Monday 4 th January 2021 – Friday 12 th February 2021 (NB children back on Tuesday 5 th January)	30
Half Term Holiday	Monday 15 th February 2021 – Friday 19 th February 2021	-
Spring Term (2 nd half)	Monday 22 nd February 2021 – Thursday 1 st April 2021	29
School Holiday	Friday 2 nd April 2021 – Friday 16 th April 2021	
Summer Term (1 st half)	Monday 19 th April 2021 – Friday 28 th May 2021	29
Half term Holiday	Monday 31 st May 2021 – Friday 4 th June 2021	-
Summer Term (2 nd half)	Monday 7 th June 2021 – Wednesday 21 st July 2021 (NB children back on Tuesday 8th June)	33
School Holiday	Thursday 22 nd July – TBC	-

Teacher Availability Days (TADs)

Wednesday 2nd September 2020
 Thursday 3rd September 2020
 Friday 4th September 2020
 Monday 2nd November 2020
 Monday 4th January 2021
 Monday 7th June 2021

Clubs

As the current guidance is for schools to be in bubbles of thirty from September we are unable to offer a breakfast club or an after school club through the YMCA. The current plan is to restart these after October half term. However, if the guidance changes before then we shall review this plan and liaise with the YMCA so that we are able to restart the provision sooner.

Summer Holiday Activities

Please see the attached flyer for information on activities that Haringey has organised for the summer holidays.

In addition, please see our website for suggested books to read and for links to websites for those of you that will continue with home learning during the holidays.

Links to all the lockdown home learning packs that we provided are also available on the school website.

It has been a real pleasure to welcome the children back to school. We are all very impressed with the way that they have adjusted to the return. Their resilience is truly impressive. Thank you all for your continued support and for adhering to the Home/School agreement, so that we have been able to keep everyone as safe as we can.

Yours faithfully,

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