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## Newsletter July 2020

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# This Month's Value is Sportsmanship

*'Good sportsmanship goes beyond the game; it starts with respect.'*

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Thank you to Morrisons.**

We would like to thank Morrisons for all the food donations they have given us to help support our families through this difficult time.

### **Scaling Up...**

As you will be aware the Government has amended its guidance from the 4<sup>th</sup> July, dropping the two metre rule in favour of the one metre plus approach.

As a result, we have been able to increase the number of children who can return next week.

Whilst we would like even higher numbers, we still have to ensure the safety of children and staff, and therefore we still have limits in place and will be up to about one third of our normal capacity. We have also arranged for every Year 6 child to come in for a small amount of time over the next two weeks so that they can say goodbye, something we feel strongly about achieving.

On another positive note we will also be seeing our new Nursery and Reception children over the next two weeks, again for short periods only, to introduce them to Herons' Moor.

We know that some of you will be disappointed that your children still cannot return but we have strictly followed the Government guidance in choosing those we have invited in. We do, however, look forward to seeing them in September, should the Government fulfil its promise of getting everyone back.

### **Pupil Places**

If your child is leaving our Academy (other than children in Year 6) please inform the school office in writing so that we are aware that your child will not be returning in September. Thank you.

### **Staff**

We will be extremely sad to say thank you and goodbye to Tracey Dover who works in the Front Office. Tracey has been part of the team as Clerk to Governors and then part of the admin team for 17 years, the longest serving member of staff. We wish her well.

We will be saying farewell and thank you to Rob Jeeves who has been teaching in Y4.

### **Ofsted**

We are pleased to say our Good Ofsted report has now been published. The link to it is

<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50152220>

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## **Summer Break**

Hérons' Moor will be closed over the summer break and online teaching will be paused. We would encourage you to keep the reading going and times tables rock stars and spelling shed are available.

## **Transition meetings**

We are unable to hold our transitions meeting this year, so instead teachers will send out PowerPoints for you to share with your children.

## **Mark Making**



We are beginning the year with a whole school mark making project from the 2<sup>nd</sup>– 18<sup>th</sup> September. (Nursery/Reception will do theirs later when they are all in). The theme for September's mark making will be 'The Natural World'. We are sure children will really enjoy this and be proud of their work. You will be able to see examples of their work on the school website and facebook page.



The mark making programme is a whole school approach to raising the standard of handwriting and presentation. It starts with the basics of how to hold a pencil correctly and moves through to correct letter and number formation and then fluent joined handwriting. The intensive project teaches new skills, raises self-confidence. It is important it takes place at the beginning of the year as it sets the expected standards for the year.

## **September 2020**

Now the guidance from the Government has come out, we are busy planning with Cabot Learning Federation for the return for everyone in September. We do know that we are expecting all children back.

We will confirm which dates and arrangements as soon as we can.

We know some of you will need/want child care. Here are a couple of suggestions:

## **Future Stars Summer Holiday clubs**

Please see attached a poster regarding a summer club that Future Stars Coaching will be running at Corpus Christi school. Future Stars teach PE and sports at Herons' Moor every week. We have secured places for Herons' Moor pupils to join in with these but places are limited so if you would like your child to attend any of the sessions please log on to the Future Stars website. [www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk/book-holiday-clubs](http://www.futurestarscoaching.co.uk/book-holiday-clubs)

## **YMCA Castle Kids Club**

Castle Kids Club continues to go from strength to strength with over 200 children registered for Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club. Fully Ofsted registered and reasonably priced childcare is available to all, they also accept a variety of employers childcare vouchers. For more information please email them [castlekids@ymca-dg.org](mailto:castlekids@ymca-dg.org), or phone 01934 629787, this telephone is not manned all the time but there is an option to leave a message. Check out what they have to offer at [www.ymca-dg.org](http://www.ymca-dg.org)

Over the summer YMCA are able to offer their Day Camp provision from two settings which are within 20-25 minutes of the Campus by car, whilst this will not be suitable for all, it may be an option for some.

<https://www.ymca-dg.org/our-services/daycamps-holiday-clubs/>

## **Safeguarding**

Our Safeguarding email will be monitored over the summer by the Leadership team. If you need support, please email in and one of the team will get back to you.

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## **Thank you**

A big thank you to all the staff who have continued working with in the Academy or providing distance learning from home right through from February half term without a break, and a big thank you to you all for the support through this trying time.



**The last day of Term 6 is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020**



As always if you have any queries, comments or suggestions we will be pleased to hear them. Please complete our questionnaire that has been sent to you via parentmail forms by the end of term, so we can hear your views. We hope that you have a lovely summer break, stay safe everyone.

Yours sincerely

Julie Fox  
Headteacher

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# Don't wait too long to book!

Due to social distancing guidelines, we're having to cap the number of spaces, so it's first come, first served.

Our coaches will work within bubbles of children, similar to the government recommendations for schools (at the moment), and therefore, we can only offer limited places due to staff:child ratios.

This way, we think your children (and our staff) will be safe, happy and healthy.

As we get closer to the end of term, we will be releasing information about how we're considering Covid-19 guidelines throughout our clubs (but thought we'd wait until then as guidelines are ever-changing at the moment)! But rest assured, your children will have lots of fun as usual - just in a slightly different way!

[Book here](#)

## Don't forget to use our discounts



We're really pleased to be offering 10% discount for siblings, and a further 10% discount for multi-day bookings, saving you a huge 20% if you use both!

It's our way of saying thank you for booking with us - we appreciate your support during this time!