



# Fishbourne C E Primary School

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## Families Newsletter 13



Dear Families,

It feels important to draw this half term to a close with an update about our plans for the rest of the summer term.

As yet, schools have received no further guidance from the Department for Education to support them in returning to more usual activities in school. As we enter the half term break, it is with great disappointment that we acknowledge we will be needing to continue with staggered starts and ends to our school day, face coverings for adults on the pathways around school, bubbles in school and the rest of our risk assessment as it stands on the website. We know this news will bring no joy and we very much look forward to such a time that we can return to business as usual.

We can't believe that we have families of our youngest children in school who haven't been able to see their child's classroom and come on a tour of our school building. We can't believe that we haven't come together as a school family in our hall for assembly for over fifteen months. We can't believe that our wonderful year six children haven't had the opportunity to sit on the benches in assembly or meet our youngest children to support them as early readers.

We are sure, like us, there will be a great many things you will have dearly missed about school life and we hope for good news for our schools soon. It's important we remain positive and focus on all the things we look forward to in time to come. Despite all the restrictions there have been a wealth of wonderful learning opportunities happening throughout school and we look forward to sharing some of these with you in our next newsletter, which will come home shortly after half term. We have loved welcoming visitors to hook the children into their learning and enrich their experiences. More recently, lots of our classes have been out and about, making the most of the local area within their learning experiences. Welcoming Moira back into school each Tuesday morning has been lovely and watching the children greeting her with such warmth. It's been wonderful to see the children's enjoyment of both our before and after school sports clubs and the Forest School Fridays!

With the lack of guidance for schools and no timescales on which we anticipate further guidance being published we have made some decisions in relation to the rest of the summer term that we are now in a position to share.



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The summer production will be performed for children in the Year 4 and 5 bubbles outside on the school field. The performance will be filmed and a link to this film will be shared with our families who will be able to enjoy watching it together. We know our children need a sense of certainty about the production rather than hanging in the balance until the last moment, and aim that this offers a compromise for them that will give them something to work towards in the coming weeks.

We do very much hope we will be able to welcome those families of children in Year 6 for their leavers' assembly but we will need to wait for this to be confirmed.

Sports Day will be for the children only this year. The children will be able to take part in a KS1 and KS2 sports event where they can come together as a school family and celebrate their sporting achievements. Plans are already underway and we look forward to being able to share with families some of the golden moments through photographs and film that we will add to our Seesaw accounts at the end of the event.

Track and Trace Schools have been asked to continue with supporting the Track and Trace effort during the Easter holidays. This means that if any of the children get a positive PCR Covid-19 test result, we ask you to let us know up to and including Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. This will enable us to support us to identify close contacts and take the steps needed to ensure that those children who need to can self-isolate. If you find yourselves in this position, please do contact us on: [head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk](mailto:head@fishbourneprimary.co.uk)

It's wonderful to see the sunshine at last and we very much hope you are able to enjoy some time together as a family during the holiday.

Every best wish, Naomi Day

**CHANGE OF DATE reminder!**

**The INSET day planned for Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May has been cancelled and re-scheduled to Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Inset Days 2021/2022

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September will be INSET days.

Three further INSET days will take place during the spring and summer term and the dates of these will be shared with families as soon as they have been finalised.