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VIEWLEY HILL NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO THE SUMMER TERM

Welcome to the start of our summer term. It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the Easter holidays and I am delighted with how well they have settled straight into school life.

We have lots of exciting opportunities planned for the children over the course of the coming weeks and I very much hope that, should the pathway out of lockdown continue, we will be able to share some of these with you in person.

As always should you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff on the school gate, or ring or email school. We are happy to help and support where we can.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Barkley
Headteacher

THANK YOU MR HUTCHINSON!

As I shared with you before the holidays, Mr Hutchinson leaves us today to start his new career as part of North Yorkshire Police Force.

Mr Hutchinson has been a huge asset to the Viewley Hill team and I am sure you join me in thanking him for all his hard work and dedication to our school community during his time in post.

Thank you Mr Hutchinson!
We wish you lots of luck and success in your new career.



PARENT CONTACT MEETINGS

This week your child has brought home a letter about parent contact meetings. Please ensure that you return this with the time that is best for your child's teacher to contact you.

It is very important to us that we have the opportunity to talk to you about your child's progress, how they have settled back into school following the spring lockdown and what we hope your children will achieve this term.

We will also discuss how you can help your child at home and answer any questions you may have.

If you have changed your phone number, please ensure that these have been updated with the school office so we have your right details.

SITE RULES

If you do need to come onto the school site, the rules remain as follows:



NO USE OF PLAY EQUIPMENT

Please can I remind you that children should not use the play equipment at the end of the day when they have been collected.

Under Covid rules this must not be used.

Children must stay with their families to keep social distance.



PLAYGROUND CLOSED

For the safety and well-being of our community this playground is now closed until further notice

START AND COLLECTION TIMES

Here is a reminder of the start and collection times for each class. It is really important that you keep to these times in order to maintain social distance and keep the school community safe.

If you need to collect more than one child, we encourage you to come at the latest collection time to avoid you having to wait more than necessary.

If you are on site please follow the one way system and maintain social distance by waiting on the spots on the ground. Young children must stay with their parents at all times.

We also ask that, for the safety of everyone, you do not congregate outside of the school gates.

| Year Group | Arrival | Dismissal |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Morning Nursery Afternoon Nursery | 8.30am—8.40am 12.15pm (KS1 gate) | 11.20-11.30am 3.05pm (KS1 gate) |
| Reception | 8.40-9am | 2.45pm |
| Key Stage 1 (Y1 & Y2) | 8.40-9am | Mrs Gardiner: 2.50pm Miss Sheard: 2.55pm Miss Shadforth: 3pm |
| Key Stage 2 (Y3—Y6) | 8.40-8.50am | Y3& 4: 3pm Y5&6: 3.10pm Children who walk home alone will go at the same time as those who are collected. |

BORROWED LAPTOPS

If during lockdown you borrowed a laptop from school for home learning, please can you ensure that you return this to school as soon as possible. Please ensure that you return the charges and bags with them too.

Thank you very much in advance.

PARKING

Please can I politely remind parents not to park over the drives of local residents. This is becoming a particular issue on Andover Way.

If you come in the car, please park responsibly to ensure local residents have clear access.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL

It is very important to us that we maintain good communication with you are parents.

This comes through:

Weekly newsletters and emails

Text messages

Marvellous Me

See Saw

Facebook

If you do not have access to any of these, and would like more information, a reminder of the detail, please contact school.

The school website also holds much of the school information and so please use this for detail about our school too.

SUMMER WEATHER

What a week it has been for changes in weather! From snow on Sunday to beautiful sunshine as we reach the end of the week.

It has been such a pleasure to see and hear the children playing outside and enjoying the warmer weather.

As the weather improves throughout the summer, children are welcome to bring a cap / hat to wear outside when it is particularly warm.

HALF TERM DATES

Monday 3rd May—Bank Holiday Monday

Friday 28th May—End of half term

Monday 7th June- Children return to school