



Newsletter – July 2020

...the final one

The school year has come to an end and so here is my final newsletter of this 'interesting' year.



COVID-19 and the lockdown period has been a very challenging time for everyone but I like to think that despite any hardship it has brought, it has hopefully had plenty of positive moments for you and your family too.

We have a plan for September and that plan is attached to this newsletter in case you missed the email last week with organisational information. Please take the time to read the information and if you have any questions, we will be more than happy to answer them.

Obviously a plan like this will develop and evolve as we begin the term, but we hope that everything we are putting into place, will ensure that we can continue to work in a safe and secure way so that we can all return to a more normal school term, together.

Brixton Parish Council

A huge thank you to the Brixton Parish Council for their continued support for the school. As well as supporting the leaving Y6 children as they always do, there are prizes for children across the school.

Here is the list of year group winners for this year and each child will receive a £20 WH Smith voucher. It's never easy to choose one winner in a class full of deserving children. Well done to everyone for their hard work this year.

Reception	Tamara
Year 1	Lottie
Year 2	Connie
Year 3	Ruby E
Year 4	Jacob
Year 5	Laila S

Goodbye and Good Luck

The end of a school year always brings the need to say one or two goodbyes and this year is no different.

We are sad to have to say goodbye to Miss Roberts, but she is leaving us to move back to Dorset and we wish her all the best as she moves to her new school. It is clearly going to be a time for new things for her in the coming months.....new job, new house, new baby! Even though she is leaving, we are really hoping that she takes a trip back to Devon after the baby is born so that we can all say hello to the new arrival.

Good luck to Chloe and Patrick as they begin this new chapter in their lives together.

We also have to say a huge 'GOODBYE' to our Year 6 children who are leaving us to begin their secondary education in September. They have been an amazing group of children and like all children across the country who are making big transitions this year, I can only congratulate every one of them for the positive way they have taken the current situation, in their stride. The normal transition hasn't been possible, but they haven't complained, (well not out loud!). They haven't had their end of year residential, there won't be an end of year performance to parents, there hasn't been visits to the new schools, there isn't the planned whole school send-off...etc...etc... They deserve all the credit in the world for being so positive and forward thinking about it all. Well done Year 6!

In my opinion, their approach to the whole thing has been amazing and it really shows me what sort of people they are. Despite the quieter end to their time in primary school, I would like to make some noise on their behalf and shout from the rooftops that they are **GREAT** and that **WE WILL MISS THEM** and the **WE HOPE THEY COME BACK TO SEE US!**

Thank you Year 6!

50 things

I have really enjoyed using the new Google Classroom facility this year and I have added a final challenge for the year to each class page. It's the '50 things to do...' Challenge from the National Trust. I understand that some of the things on the list may not be possible but



with the likelihood that more of you may be holidaying at home this year, it is possible that some of these challenges might be achievable in the coming weeks.



<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/50-things-to-do-before-youre-11--activity-list>

I look forward to seeing how you have done with the challenge if it's something you think would be good for the family to try over the summer.

Online permission booklet

You will have received information from the school office about an online Google Form that we would like you to complete with all of the usual information and questions for the start of the new term. Thank you so much to all of the people who have completed it so far. The information is vital for us so that we can make sure everything is ready for the beginning of a new school year and every completed form makes the job easier for Mrs.Rundle. So far, we have about 50% of the school who have completed the task so please take the time to do this during this final week if you haven't done so. Any problems accessing it, just let us know!

<https://forms.gle/t2GLExHhhvSugzuD6>



I am certain that everyone who has completed the form so far would agree that it is much easier and much quicker than the previous paper format, so please take the few minutes to complete it as soon as possible.

Thank you!

Staff Changes

Just to remind you of the staffing for next year which I mentioned in my previous newsletter.

Rosen Class Reception	Miss Lee & Mrs. Berry
Potter Class Y1 & 2	Miss Kelly
Dahl Class (until Oct half term) Y3 & 4	Mrs. Howlett & Mrs. Berry
Dahl Class (from October half term) Y3 & 4	Mrs. Kay & Mrs. Berry
Morpurgo Class Y5 & 6	Miss Kinning

Sun Safe



Although the weather has been a bit mixed in recent weeks, please make sure to help your children learn about sun safety.

Road Closures



Information from Devon County -

Repairs to the road surface originally planned for early April were put on hold due to Coronavirus and this work has now been re-programmed.



We will now be working along Steer Point Road from 28th July for 4 days, carrying out patching repairs to the road surface.

To ensure we can carry out these repairs safely we will be putting a temporary road closure in place. This means that officially the road will be closed to traffic. We will maintain access for residents and businesses directly affected by the work but there might be some delays to vehicle movements.

However, as the section of road passed the school is wider we endeavour to use temporary traffic lights which should reduce disruption to traffic. The footpaths will remain open.

Summer Holiday Club



SPORTS & ACTIVITY CAMPS

Here is some information for those of you who may be looking to book some holiday club provision over the summer.

<https://www.high5sportscamps.co.uk/>

HIGH 5 SUMMER 2020 HIGH 5 BUBBLE CAMPS

We are here for Keyworkers, vulnerable children and working parents

DAYS Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs
TIMES 8.30am - 4.30pm Daily

VENUES

- Widey Court Primary, Plymouth
6 weeks: 20th July - 27th August
- Stover School, Newton Abbot
5 weeks: 20th July - 20th August
- Mount Kelly School, Tavistock
5 weeks: 20th July - 20th August

COST

£33 Per Day including all activities

Join a week bubble or a day bubble
LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE - BOOK NOW!

Other camps available for families who want their kids active and entertained but not in need of childcare this summer. Further detail about these on website.

SUPPORTING YOU THROUGH LOCKDOWN AND HERE FOR YOU THIS SUMMER

Ofsted www.high5sportscamps.co.uk Need help with something, please call 01752 215734

And Finally...

A HUGE thank you to all of my amazing staff. So much happens behind the scenes and it is every member of the staff that makes the TEAM work. This team is strong, and this team deserves a holiday, so if you see any of them doing school work in the next few weeks, please tell them to stop!

Happy holiday!



Stay Safe!

Adrian Clements

(Head of School)