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Friday Update - issue 12

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Dear Parents/Carers,

End of term Arrangements and Re-Opening of School to all Pupils in September

Next week will be the last week of school for all children, whether they are placed in Year Group Bubbles or at Key Worker School. A and B bubbles, together with Key Worker School, will operate as normal next week but school will be closed on Friday 17th July for transition day for children moving into Year 5 and 6 in September. The parents of these children will have received information about this today.

The school is then closed to all children on Monday 20th July and to all except our Year 6 children on Tuesday 21st July. Year 6 parents will have had details about the arrangements for this day. School will then re-open for all children, with the exception of our new Foundation children joining later in September, on Thursday 3rd September.

I am so looking forward to welcoming all of our children back and it will be lovely to have a full school again. We have missed you all and this is the first step to some normality for the education of our children. I will be sending out details next week about how school will look and the arrangements for September.

Gifts

Traditionally, many of you have kindly sent in gifts for staff at the end of term. Of course, this is not expected and there is strict guidance about the transfer of objects between home and school at the moment. If you would like to send in a gift for a member of staff, from Monday onwards, there will be a box by each signing in desk in the mornings where you can place gifts. Please ensure they are clearly labelled with the member of staff they are intended for. Staff really appreciate any gifts given at this time.

Reports

End of Year reports will be sent to you by ParentMail commencing on Monday 13th July. As you will appreciate, there are many reports to email and this process will be completed by Wednesday 15th July. We very much hope that you enjoy reading about the progress your children made at school before lockdown and if you would like to discuss the report with the class teacher, details about how you can do this will be given on the covering email. If you have not received your child's report by 2.30pm on Wednesday 15th July, please contact the school office admin@woodley-pri.wokingham.sch.uk.

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Airfield Club

The government, on the re-opening of schools, asks each setting to consider its context when making decisions. This means that schools may make very different decisions based on space, availability of staffing, numbers etc. To this end, our school has decided not to open the Airfield Club before and after school until Monday 5th October. I know this will inconvenience many of you but please be assured that the Club will open when I am convinced it is safe to do so in the context of our building.

Plans for the safe running of the Club will be sent to you all in September.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Louisa Gurney
Head Teacher

PTA UPDATE

Since we set up our 'Go Fund Me' page a month ago, we have had 33 donations from many of our families and friends of the school, contributing £890 total towards our £3000 target.

As you all know the pandemic has obviously meant a number of our main annual fundraisers have been cancelled and so we have asked that if anyone feels financially able to donate perhaps an amount similar to that which they would have spent at an event this will really help. This money can then be used by the school on projects and resources they feel will most benefit the children as they return to school in the Autumn Term and also towards a number of ongoing projects.

This is a continuing fundraiser and as a PTA committee we are uncertain of how the year will pan out and when we will be able to start planning our future events. If your children have done anything special for this fundraiser, we would love you to share this to give others ideas.

A massive thank you to all those who have donated so far, I will share the link below for those still wishing to contribute.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/woodley-c-of-e-school-pta?utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_na+share-sheet&rcid=a721d092fc4a43d7a8ec9a9d5c4f3bfd

On behalf of the PTA

Amy Hardy, Co-Chair PTA

Request from Wokingham Borough Council - Home to School Transport

Following the release of the latest government guidance on school re-openings in September, our transport team have compiled a short survey. The survey is aimed at parents of both primary and secondary aged children, and looks to understand how children plan to travel to school come September. We would be grateful if you could promote the link below to your parents through your usual communication methods as soon as possible. Social media promotion will start going out by the end of this week, encouraging parents to take part.

<https://forms.gle/Mv2Uq6Ya3hipwx7a7>

Please note that it has been requested that any parents who are facing significant transport problems for their child, contact their school directly. We would ask that you record the children's name and parent/guardian/carer contact details in a spreadsheet and then forward this to our CTU (CTU.Group@wokingham.gov.uk) along with any relevant details of school start/end time.