



July 2020

GREASBY INFANT SCHOOL

Dear Parents

I can not believe that it is almost the end of the term. This has been a very eventful year with lots of challenges but everyone has pulled together to keep school open for those children who needed it whilst trying to keep everyone in our school community safe.

I hope you all have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing everyone back in school in September.

J. Hall

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



SEPTEMBER

- 1st Staff Development Day—Teachers only
- 2nd Pupils return to school
- 2nd, 3rd, 4th Stay and Play sessions for F2 children
- 21st All F2 children in school fulltime

OCTOBER

- 26th-30th Half Term Break

NOVEMBER

- 2nd Pupils return to school
- Week beginning 9th Parent-Teacher Meetings

DECEMBER

- 18th Finish for Christmas Holiday
- 21st-1st Jan Christmas Holidays

JANUARY

- 4th Staff Development day
- 5th Children return to school

FEBRUARY

- 15th-19th Half Term Break

Dear Parents,

As the academic year draws to a close, I would just like to express my sincere thanks for all your kind words and support at this unprecedented time. All members of the school community have worked tirelessly in order to maintain some sense of normality and continuity for our children. School has remained open for our key worker and vulnerable children since the start of lockdown, with over 60 children catered for. These children have enjoyed lots of fun activities and working with all members of staff. Over the last couple of weeks it has been wonderful to see more children in school with the return of Year 2 children, who took part in transition activities helping to prepare them for the move to Greasby Junior School. This week we have welcomed back some Foundation 2 children to school and they are enjoying seeing their friends and getting back into the school routines. Next week we will welcome back Year 1 pupils for our final week before school closes for the summer break.

Reports Please find the attached report for your child. This year the report format is slightly different as we only have end of spring term data. The staff have outlined some of the work that the children enjoyed before lockdown and have put some next steps to support learning over the summer. The attendance data is again only up until school officially closed on 20th March 2020.

Staffing for 2021

Foundation 1 (Pre-School)

Mrs J Shaughnessy Mrs H Prichard Miss Lewis

Foundation 2

Mrs L Stocker Mrs C Butler / Mrs H Prichard
Mrs K Settle Mrs K Williams

Year 1

Mrs S Cooper Mrs J Callander
Mrs L Pollitt/Mrs V Clark Mrs A Green

Year 2

Mrs H Booth Mrs J Hazeldine
Mrs J Brandreth Mrs M Jervis

Admin Team

Mrs M Fisher Mrs S Preston

New Classes

Next year your child will be in the following class.

Current Class	Class in September 2020
F2LS – Mrs Stocker	1CP – Mrs Clark & Mrs Pollitt
F2SC – Mrs Cooper	1SC – Mrs Cooper
1CP – Mrs Clark & Mrs Pollitt	2JB – Mrs Brandreth
1HB – Mrs Booth	2HB – Mrs Booth



School Uniform The Government is suggesting that children should be back in their school uniform from September, but it needs to be clean each day, so we ask that you try to ensure this happens when we return to school in September.

Lunches The normal school menu will be available for children on return to school in September and this has already been emailed to parents. At the current time we aim to offer all options unless guidance issued in August suggests otherwise. The length of lunchtime may need to be extended to allow for greater social distancing in the school hall, but parents will be informed if this needs to happen at the start of the new term.

Attendance Children are expected to attend school as normal and the Government have said that "robust measures" will be taken if children do not attend, "education is not an option". Therefore I ask that you contact school via the school office email or telephone, if children are not able to attend. Our attendance clerk will telephone parents to ask why a child is absent, if no information is received.

Health and Safety Procedures will remain in place to manage effective daily cleaning and deep cleaning in classrooms and toilet areas in order to minimise risk. PPE will be available for all staff to use if required, especially if a child or member of staff is taken ill. The Governing Body and staff have the children at the heart of everything we do and the emphasis will be on minimising the risk to children and staff whilst maintaining the best possible education we can. The school Covid-19 risk assessment will be updated and shared with parents on the school website at the end of the summer break to ensure up to date guidance is incorporated into the actions.

Staffing News

Karen Burke one of our Pre-School staff has decided to leave after working at our school for more than 15 years. She will be sadly missed but we hope that she enjoys being able to spend more time at home with her family. We all wish her well for the future.

Sherry Chi, our Hanban teacher will be returning to China at the end of term as her year with us has come to an end. She has worked with all children across the school and the children have learnt so much and enjoyed their Mandarin lessons. We all wish her well for her future back in China.

GOOD LUCK

I would like to say well done to all our Year 2 children who have worked so hard this year and have made excellent progress despite the very difficult year. All the staff wish them good luck for the move to their new school and for the future. I am sure that they will enjoy the challenges ahead. We will miss you all x



GREASBY LIBRARY



This year the Summer Reading Challenge is going digital. The Silly Squad book collection has been chosen by librarians and children to encourage everyone to take part in the summer challenge and have fun whilst reading. Information can be found at sillysquad.org.uk



Exciting Lockdown Activities

Covid Snake The children and members of the local community created a snake made from painted pebbles. The snake weaves along the fence at the front of school and has over 250 pebbles. The children have loved coming along to place their pebbles in the snake; it has given them a link to school and chance to still feel involved in a whole school project.



Greasby Rainbow The children from our school and the local community followed a letter hunt around Greasby Village and then collected a cobble stone to take home and decorate it in a rainbow colour. When all the stones had been returned we varnished them and mounted them onto a wooden frame. The rainbow has now been displayed in Greasby Village as a reminder of the community spirit shown during lockdown.

Telephone Box Challenge

We set up a telephone box challenge in an old red telephone box in Greasby Village. The challenges were in three groups, maths, nature and science. The children picked a challenge and completed it at home.



Planting The children enjoyed planting tomato and lettuce plants donated by one of our school neighbours. We have been taking care of them and watering them each day and the children were very excited to see how big the plants got. We now have tomatoes and hope they will ripen soon.

