

GIG MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Together we care, together we succeed



28th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of June in school, there is still lots to fit in before the end of the school year. I'm sure many of you have had to make changes to plans for your summer plans, and so it is for us in school as we continue with this time of lockdown and restrictions.

Covid continues to be a concern and currently the Local Authority and Public Health are urging us to maintain all the protective measures which have served us well in school so far. In my last letter to you I explained that transition arrangements for our Year 6 had been cancelled in person, but I know that through the alternative virtual arrangements, children will be supported at this important transition time.

This unfortunately is also going to be the case for some of our usual summer term activities which bring our school community together, as they will not be able to go ahead in the way that we would all love. It will be another different end to the school year, and there will be events that will either not happen or will take place in a different way. With the rise in the transmission of the Delta variant, and several school closures across the borough, like many other local schools we will continue with events for the children during the school day, however these activities will take place 'behind closed doors'. We have looked thoroughly into all of the options available to us, but we feel on balance, that we cannot easily welcome the large numbers of adults on to the school site and keep everyone safe, based on the extension to the restrictions that are in place. I am so sorry to have to inform you that we will not be able to invite parents and carers onto the school site to watch Sports Days.

We know how disappointing this is for everyone, we all look forward to the time we can be together safely and in the meantime we appreciate your ongoing support.

Just for next week - there will be a change in PE days so that children can take part in sports activities – this will be a change to some year groups PE day

We would ask that:

Children in Years 4,5,6 come in PE kit on Wednesday 30th June 2021

Children in Years 1,2,3 come in PE kit on Thursday 1st July 2021

Children in Reception come in PE kit on Friday 2nd July

New Reception pupils:

If you have children joining us in Reception next year, we will be sending out specific information individually to parents and carers registered to start school.

Contact information:

Please remember to advise us of any changes of address, emails, phone numbers or personal circumstances in order to support any communications with you. End of year reports will be coming out to you in July.

Building works:

In the next two weeks the Local Authority will also be finalising plans for works to be completed over the summer holidays. This is both to rectify the emergency situation we had in March with water pipe replacement, and a roofing issue.

I hope that you all have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

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