



Dear Parents and Carers

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020

We have reached the end of another wet and rainy week and it really doesn't feel like we are approaching the end of the summer term at all! with only a week to go there are still lots of things happening in our schools and at home.

### **Reports**

Your child's school report will be coming to you via email today. These reports are based on each child's learning and achievement in the first two terms of this year, up to 20th March when the school was closed to most pupils.

It may be that those children who are working at home have made significant progress since then, and we will be assessing this in September. The attainment grades in the report are based on the expected standard of achievement for the spring term, so if your child's report says they are working at the expected standard, this will be the expected standard for March, not for the end of the academic year.

If you would like the opportunity to discuss the report with your child's class teacher, they will be available for phone consultations after school next week, please email and let us know if you would like us to arrange this for you. These reports are private correspondence between yourselves and your child's class teacher. Please do not share them on any form of social media.

### **Building works**

We are delighted to have been successful in our bid to the Conditions Improvement Fund for a new roof for the older part of the school over Class 1 and Class 2. This means that scaffolding will be going up the first day of the holidays, and hopefully all the work will be complete when we return in September.

### **Arrangements for September**

Many of you have asked about arrangements for September. We fully anticipate that all children will be in school full time. I have written a comprehensive risk assessment for each school in line with the new guidance and have a meeting with Trustees to have these signed off. Once I have confirmation about wrap around care, school transport etc, I will be in touch with you to let you know. This may be at the start of the holidays.

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### **Staffing for next year**

The class arrangements will be staying the same next year, with some slight changes to staffing as follows:

Class 1	Miss Verity Mrs Allen-Hooks Mrs Percival	Nursery, Reception and Year1
Class 2	Mrs Harris Mrs Hallam Ms Lawrence	Years 2 and 3
Class 3	Mr Weighman Mrs Kirby	Years 4, 5 and 6

We are aware that transition to a new class can be very daunting for some children. Usually we would make sure that we arranged some transition activities to ease their anxiety, however in the current circumstances that is not going to be possible. Class teachers will contact their new children via class Dojo next week, and we will ensure a very gentle start to the new term in September. Please do contact your child's new class teacher if you would like to chat about anything.

### **Message from the Trust - School dinner provision**

Dales Academies Trust has recently undertaken a review of its school dinner provision, which is currently delivered by two different providers across our 13 Primary Schools. After a detailed analysis and tendering process, the decision has been made that from September, 'Mellors' will be providing school dinners in all our Primary schools. Further details can be found in the Mellors newsletter and menu sheet, which is included with this school letter. We are so delighted that Mrs Luce our school cook will be staying with us, and will work for Mellors from September. School meal prices will be staying the same.

### **Questionnaire**

Many thanks to those of you who took the time to complete our questionnaire about home learning this week. The majority of responses were overwhelmingly positive, and some good suggestions were made to help us to move forward. Once the results are collated they will be available on our website. The responses were anonymous so if you asked us a question, please do get in touch and we will endeavour to answer it.



Some parents asked about live streaming lessons or 1:1 sessions. You will be pleased to hear that we are in the process of setting up an email address for every child. This means that if your child should need to learn from home again at any point, we will be able to meet with them virtually and hold lessons on Teams.

And finally.....

### **Year 6 leavers**

Next Friday we will sadly need to say goodbye to our fabulous Year 6 pupils. On Monday we will be shirt signing from a distance. If your child is in Year 6 please can they bring in a shirt to be signed – the shirts will be laid out on tables for signing, they will be left for 72 hours and then if the children wish, they will be able to put them on during the day on Friday.

I wish everyone a very happy weekend.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H Dudman', written on a white rectangular background.

Mrs H Dudman  
Headteacher