

Halebank C of E Primary School Heathview Road WIDNES Cheshire WA8 8UZ



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Thursday, 18th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Wider Opening of School for Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

I am pleased to let you know that our plans for the wider opening of school to pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will be going ahead as planned from **Monday**, **22nd June**. The staff are really looking forward to welcoming these groups of children back into school.

Reminder of Arrangements for Pupils Returning to School

Rather than repeating the information I provided a fortnight ago, please could all parents who are planning to send their children into school next week read the information provided in the <u>SUMMER 7: 2/6/2020</u> newsletter which is available on the school website.

Please click <u>here</u> to remind yourselves of the arrangements that will be in place to support the safety of the children, parents and staff, and pay particular attention to the following areas:

- Learning bubbles
- Arrangements for dropping off and collection of children
- Hygiene, cleaning and early closing on Fridays
- Break, lunchtimes and resources
- School uniform
- Contact with staff

Confirmation of Pupil Numbers

We have a list of those pupils who we are expecting back on Monday. Unless we hear otherwise, we will assume that your child is returning if you arranged this with us two weeks ago. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 and you have changed your mind about your plans, please contact the school as a matter of urgency so we can adjust our numbers. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Water Bottles

We have sourced a stash of reusable, plastic water bottles for those pupils returning to school. We will provide a new bottle to all those children who will be with us next week. Please ensure that the bottles are washed and filled with water each day. Thank you.

Free School Meal Vouchers

I am sure you have heard the fantastic news that the voucher scheme for pupils eligible for free school meals will continue through the summer break. I will continue to order the vouchers on a fortnightly basis up until the end of term for the time being.

Covid-19 Symptoms

Please remember that pupils should not attend school if they are displaying Covid-19 symptoms. The latest government guidance should be followed and this can be found by clicking here. Should a suspected case of Covid-19 be confirmed, please inform the school as soon as possible and use the latest government guidance regarding testing and self-isolation.

Pupils in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5

The government has announced that it is unlikely that children in the other year groups will return to school before September. Once we phase in the return of the Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils, we will be clearer about how this will run on a day to day basis; should there be scope for more pupils to return before the summer, we will look into this. In the meantime, we appreciate all you are doing to support your child with his/her home learning.

Home Learning

Please continue to keep in touch with your child's class teacher using the email addresses below.

Mrs Griffin-Jones: Class1@halebank.halton.sch.uk
Mrs Draper: Class2@halebank.halton.sch.uk
Mrs Eley: Class3@halebank.halton.sch.uk
Mrs Bennett: Class4@halebank.halton.sch.uk



Collective Worship with Rev Roland

Reverend Roland has posted part 2 of his collective worship based on the story of Esther. Do take a look by following the link to Roland's YouTube channel. Thanks to Roland and Gilly for the time they have spent putting another session together for the families of Halebank.

Best Wishes from the Halebank Team

As ever, a big thank you to you all for everything you are doing at home with the children. We are so excited about having some of the children back with us from next week and hope to see everyone else some time soon. If you have any concerns or questions, please send me an email at head.halebank@halton.gov.uk. If you need to contact the school office, Mrs Fenlon can be reached at sec.halebank@halton.gov.uk.

Stay safe and take care ©

Yours sincerely

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