



Ready for Learning - Ready for Life - Reach for the Stars

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had an enjoyable, albeit a very hot, final week at Newton Hill. The children have been amazing and are an absolute credit to you. We have had our final assembly outside and we have said our goodbyes to Mr Duce, Mrs Birmingham and Miss Cannon. We have also wished our Year 6 all the very best for their next part of their journey. We will miss you Year 6!

I would like to say thank you to everyone who has taken the time to send kind messages to school – the staff at Newton Hill work incredibly hard and it is nice to hear such positive things. Thank you also for your continued support in your child's education at Newton Hill and we all look forward to working with you in September 2021. Wishing you and your family a restful summer break.

Congratulations to our Roll of Honour Children

Summer Term:

Nursery - Jishna

Reception A - Isabella

Reception B – Joshua

Year 1A – Annie

Year 1B - Freya

Year 2 – Saskia

Year 3 – Joel

Year 4 – Ammar

Year 5 – Faye

Year 6 – C-Ella

And so, to 2021/2022.....we are (as I am sure you are) hoping for a different kind of year!

In September, schools will no longer be expected to have 'bubbles' for groups of children in school. This means in September there will be no staggered start times and finish times. We will keep some groupings at lunchtime and playtimes at least for the first half term and Newts will continue to operate with an earlier finish time of 5:15pm on Fridays.

This does not mean that COVID has gone away – we all still need to remain vigilant and protect each other as much as we can. With this in mind, we ask that all parents and carers remain a safe distance from school staff and other parents and that personal space is respected when dropping off and picking up. There are children and adults who are vulnerable in our community and we need to work together to keep everyone safe. Some staff may continue to wear face coverings and visors in school and when speaking to parents/carers.

As a school we will have an outbreak management plan in place should there be an outbreak of positive cases at school – we will of course follow government guidelines should this happen.

In September, the perimeter school gates at East Street and Fourth Avenue gates will open just before 8:50 with the doors to school opening at 8:50am so that your child/children can immediately enter school. **The main entrance on Leeds Road will not be opened as an entrance to school at this time and the gate will be locked.** This gate can still continue to be used for children to access Newts before and after school.

No ball games are permitted before school in the playground and we ask that you supervise your children before the gates open and whilst you are on school premises. Please encourage your child/children to follow our golden rules and keep everyone safe. Any children using bikes/scooters must dismount at the school gates (this includes all younger siblings).

At the end of the day the gates will be open at 3:10 for EYFS/KS1 pick up at 3:15pm and KS2 pick up at 3:20pm. Gate will not be opened earlier due to the premises being used of outdoor learning and PE etc. Children will no longer be collected or walked to the perimeter gates by school staff, you will have to enter the premises to collect and drop off your child. There will be designated waiting areas for each class – this will enable a quicker dismissal at the end of the day. We ask that you leave the premises as soon as you have dropped off and picked up.

In September it is expected that the children will walk into school by themselves – our Nursery and Reception children have done this exceptionally well this year and this is something that we will be continuing. Please talk to your children about walking into school and the EYFS unit independently. Staff will be there to greet the children on Tuesday 7th September and to help you find your way. The children have been shown where they will come into school.

Where to drop off and pick up:

Class	Drop off/pick up point *There will be signs to help you locate your drop off/pick-up point.
Nursery	11:50 You will need to use the main entrance to collect, please follow the path to Nursery and in the EYFS Playground. 3:15 Please wait at the EYFS gate which leads into the main playground. <i>*30 Hours - please collect from the main entrance as already explained.</i>
Reception	Please wait at the EYFS gate which leads into the main playground.
Year 1	Please line up along the edge of the playground – opposite Nursery window.
Year1/2	Under the new canopy in the main playground.
Year 2	At the right-hand side of the hall – please wait at the end of the green fence.
Year 3	Under the new canopy in the main playground.
Year 4	Along the curved path near the green fence – Fourth Avenue gate
Year 5 and Year 6	Along the straight path – Fourth Avenue gate.

Positive Covid Cases:

If there is a positive case in school from September, close contacts will be identified via NHS Test and Trace and education settings will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.

Class Email System:

Please note that during the summer holidays, class emails and the admin email will be closed down until Monday 6th September. New class email addresses will be issued in the new year.

If there needs to be any changes to our reopening plans for September we will contact you on Monday 6th September (this is an INSET day and school is closed to all children).

Dates

- 2021/2022 Monday 6th September 2021 will be an INSET day.
- School opens Tuesday 7th September 2021

Kind regards,
Mrs Wheatley

Learning Mentor Update

If you require any advice please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Dundas - Learning Mentor

Keeping Everyone Safe

If you have any safeguarding concerns or need any support or advice please do not hesitate to contact the school - our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are: Mrs Wheatley, Mr Duce, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Mrs Dundas, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

Dates for your diary:

Dates

- INSET DAY: Monday 26th July
- 2021/2022 Monday 6th September 2021 will be an INSET day.
- The further four INSET days will be shared with you soon.

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July 2022						
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- = Bank Holidays
- = School Holidays
- = District/Police & Crime Commissioner Election Day (schools will need the authorisation of the Returning Officer if they are to be used as a Polling Station and wish to remain open on this day. Otherwise schools used as a polling station should be closed for INSET). Schools not used for election purposes may arrange alternative closures for INSET. Individual schools may decide the dates of the remaining 4 INSET dates.

Number of pupil days:	195
Less INSET days to be fixed:	5
Total number of pupil days:	190