Partial Re-Opening Newsletter 10

Week beginning 15th June 2020



Dear families...

We are now at the start of week 2 of our partial reopening and during the 1st week it was lovely to see so many familiar faces. It is very different in many ways, with each 'pod' separate from the others. The classrooms look different too, with desks spaced out and children using their own sets of equipment. Despite these changes, the children attending school have adapted very quickly and come into school happily. We are all washing our hands frequently and making sure we socially distance. We have had to come up with lots of 'socially distanced' ways of 'being together' and it's worked surprisingly well with school presenting as a calm and orderly place to be.

At the moment we have no information from the Government about what schools will look like in September. Birmingham LA have been having frequent meetings with the DfE and they have emphasised strongly that we need to know before the end of the Summer term what next year will look like, but this will obviously depend on where we are with the spread of Covid 19. Rest assured as soon as we know we will pass the details on.

We are keeping our fingers crossed and hoping September brings some normality. It'll be great to look forward to having all our children back in school and learning together in the safest possible environment. Thank you for all you have been doing to support your children with home learning. Please remember you can contact us via the usual channels.

Year 6 families

Over the past two weeks we have had an increasing number of children returning to school. Following the current social distancing guidance of 2 metres, 6 of our pod classrooms can safely accommodate 10 pupils, with one pod able to accommodate 12 because of the increased space available in this room.

From Monday 15th June the Year 6 pod groups are now completely full and we regrettably need to inform Year 6 families that going forward, if you now wish to send your child into school you will have one of two options:

- Your child is placed in a pod group with our key worker children from varying year groups in school;
- Your child is added to a Year 6 waiting list, and will join an existing Year 6 pod group when a place is vacated and becomes available, or Government guidelines change enabling the groups to increase in numbers within the current classrooms.

We understand that this is not ideal for our families, but the sizes of the pod groups need to remain fixed under the current guidance.

Please don't send your child in if you have not been given prior notice that a place is available. The place allocation is carefully planned so that the numbers of pupils within pods fall in line with our risk assessment.

School Office

Can we remind you all, if you wish to speak to someone in school, you will need to phone the school office or email via the office email. Sadly this means we will not be able, for the moment, to welcome you into the school building. E-mail: enquiry@rednalhilljuniors.com or Telephone: 0121 453 2520

Home Learning Projects

Our Learning Projects are updated every Monday for the coming week. The 'Home Learning Project Team' consists of: Y6-Mr. Hewitt, Y5-Mrs. Hughes, Y4-Mrs. Judd & Y3-Mrs. Fisher. Please see the links below for the latest material.

- Clicking here for Y3 & Y4
- Clicking here for Y5 & Y6

Home Learning pictures & videos

Please also keep sending in any home learning pictures or videos for our newsletter/website to en-<u>quiry@rednalhilljuniors.com</u>. To help us identify this work, please mark the subject as 'Home Learning'. Please note that pictures sent in may well find their way onto the school's website or newsletter with children's names etc. If you'd like to send in pictures of home learning but don't want your child's details attached to the picture, can you please specify this in the e-mail.

What's been happening at home?













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