



9th July 2021

Dear Parents,

Summer Letter 9

The Prime Minister's Announcement on Step 4 of the Roadmap

On Monday, the Prime Minister set out details of the final roadmap step (Step 4) as we transition out of lockdown. Subject to a final review of the data next week, legal restrictions will end on Monday 19 July.

When England moves to Step 4 of the roadmap, the government will continue to manage the risk of serious illness from the spread of the virus. This will mark a new phase in the government's response to the pandemic, moving away from stringent restrictions on everyone's day-to-day lives, towards advising people on how to protect themselves and others, alongside targeted interventions to reduce risk.

The DFE will be changing the controls that apply in schools to maintain a baseline of protective measures while maximising attendance and minimising disruption to children and young people's education. New guidance for schools has been published with arrangements in education settings for Step 4.

Due to the fact that the number of cases of COVID is rising locally in schools we will be keeping the same systems of control in place prior to the summer break. **Please ensure that you remain as safe as possible in and around the school site, wearing face coverings and ensuring you and your children remain 2m apart from other families. The staff team continue to carry out lateral flow tests twice weekly.**

Please can I request that where possible parents park and walk to school thus alleviating the congestion outside school. For those parked near to school, please move on as quickly and safely as possible to free up spaces for the next set of parents arriving.

The guidance for schools from September will mean that staggered starts and end to the school day will no longer be necessary and the bubble system will be abolished. A risk assessment will have to be completed and I will write to parents in August outlining the safety measures the school will be using in response to the latest DFE guidance and Public Health advice. However, for now the pupils will remain in bubbles until the end of term, the one-way system will remain in place and the use of face-coverings on site will help to protect us all.

Sport at NJK

Mrs Clarke is prompting PE and Sport across the trust and has set up the Avonreach Sport Association. She will be leading an initial meeting with the other schools on Monday and will be supported by Lisa Houghton our local School Games Organiser. We look forward to many inter-school competitions and fixtures next academic year.

What a fantastic day it was yesterday! The pupils thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Sports Days and it was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance.



End of Term Events

The pupils really enjoyed the PTA Summer Fayre last Friday. Many thanks to all of the parents who helped to make this exciting afternoon happen for the pupils.

Our final birthday party of the year will be on Friday 16th July when we will celebrate the July and August birthdays.

Euro 2020

If your child is a footie fan and likely to watch the final on Sunday night and will therefore have a late night-we will be keeping the registers open until 10.30am on Monday. We would rather have the children rested and in school ready to learn than absent on that day. The school day will start as usual, breakfast club and 8.45am for KS2, 9am for KS1 pupils but pupils can register 'on-time' until 10.30am.

It has been 55 years since England reached a major football final so let's watch it and discuss the importance of the National Anthem, think about values and resilience and possibly disappointment. It is a learning opportunity and history in the making.

Transition Activities

The pupils met their new teachers on Monday 5th July. Class presentations will be published in the 2021 2022 class pages on our website. Please share this information with your child/ren. We will be sharing the information with them at school too. It is our aim that by the end of term the children will feel more confident and secure about their new class/year group.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Dean', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Dean
Headteacher