



23<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents,

### **Summer Letter 7**

#### DFE Guidance for Schools

As stated in Letter 5, the guidance for schools has remained largely unchanged. The information contained in the latest version dated 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021 still requires us to have staggered starts and bubble working. Therefore, our current systems will remain in place.

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 number of cases of COVID appear to be rising in a number of local schools. Please ensure that you remain as safe as possible in and around the school site, wearing face coverings and ensuring you remain 2m apart from other families. The staff team continue to carry out lateral flow tests twice weekly.

#### Curriculum Enrichment

Despite these restrictions for schools we are still endeavouring to move as close to normality as possible whilst using our knowledge of risk assessments, system of controls and testing to keep the school community safe. So far this term we have introduced and reintroduced the following:

- **Cricket enrichment days**
- **Bikeability for previous Year 4 pupils**
- **Bikeability for current Year 4 pupils**
- **Bikeability for Year 6 pupils**
- **Swimming catch up sessions for the year groups who missed out during lockdown last year**
- **Swimming for our current KS2 pupils**
- **West Malvern Outdoor and Adventurous 2 day Course for our Year 4 pupils**
- **Virtual Campfire experience for Year 4**
- **Whole School Race for Life**
- **School Council**
- **Pupil Eco Committee**
- **Tennis Taster Days**
- **Poet laureate workshop day**
- **Forest School sessions for every pupil in school prior to the summer break with further sessions planned for the new year**
- **Whole school litter picking day**
- **After school sports clubs for KS1 and KS 2 pupils**
- **Educational visits to support the curriculum**



**Here is a reminder of some sporting events coming soon...**

**W/C 21<sup>th</sup> June** – National School Sports Week

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - Virtual Summer School Games Paralympic inspired events. Pupils will take part in the events in their class bubbles throughout the day and there will be a special visit from the South Worcestershire School Games Organiser, Lisa Houghton.

**W/C 28<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 3/4 District Virtual Athletics

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 1 and 2 Cricket Skills Blast festival, run by All Stars Cricket coaches.

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports Day (confirmation of arrangements for parents will be announced soon)

Many thanks to all of the staff for their efforts. There is additional planning and preparation required to devise COVID friendly enrichment activities. The whole staff team have played their part in enabling these wonderful experiences for our pupils to happen.

#### Community Fund Raising Event

Worcester Norton Community Interest Company are raising money to build a new community/sports hall on Gordon Jones memorial cricket pitch in Brockhill (clubhouse at Norton cricket club). On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August they are arranging their first fun raising community event and have asked NJK Primary School if they would be interested in running a stall. If you would like to get involved in this event please contact the School Office.

#### End of Term Events

I am currently working on the risk assessments for the end of term activities such as the Y6 Leaver's Service and Celebration and Sports Day. We will be following the latest Public Health advice and the DFE Guidance which is to limit the amount of spectators per class to 30. As all members of the audience must remain seated at every event, it will be necessary to issue tickets and conduct a seating plan for track and trace purposes. Further information will be issued shortly once the risk assessments have been finalised. Please note that if the guidance changes prior to these events it might not be possible to allow visitors on site.

#### Wrap Around Care

A reminder that in September, breakfast club will open from 7.45am. After school club will continue to close at 5.30pm whilst the bubble arrangements remain in place for schools. A list of clubs will be issued at the end of this week.

#### School Structure and Staffing

We are delighted that due to a rise in pupil numbers across the school we will be introducing an eighth class in September:



## School Structure 2021 - 2022

Class	Pupil Numbers
EYFS-Willow	27
Year 1-Rowan	30
Year 2-Hazel	29
Year 3-Oak	29
Year 4-Ash	21
Year 5-Maple	20
Year 5-Cedar	20
Year 6-Elm	24
Total	200

Class allocation letters will be issued early July. The pupils will then meet their teachers and learn about the routines and expectations in that new class/year group. Details about these transition sessions will be outlined in the class allocation letter. It is our aim that by the end of term the children will feel more confident and secure about their new class/year group.

I am currently recruiting for a new Year 5 class teacher. I will also be recruiting a replacement for Mrs Parton as, after many years of teaching at NJK, she is moving on to pastures new. Mrs Parton is relocating to Grantham! We wish Mrs Parton all the very best for her move and new life in Lincolnshire. Unfortunately, Mrs Parton sustained an injury over the half term holiday - a displaced and fractured clavicle. Last week, Mrs Parton had to have an operation and has now been signed off for the remaining weeks of the school year. To ensure continuity for the class, Mrs Bilsland will continue to teach in Hazel, along with Miss Lewis who will be teaching this week and next week and Miss Cartwright from the 2<sup>nd</sup> July to the end of term.

Kind regards

Mrs Dean  
Headteacher