Whixall C.E. Primary School and Nursery



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Dear Parents/Carers.

I hope that you have all had a relaxing summer break. It has been wonderful to welcome back all of our children after such a challenging summer term. Firstly, a big thank you for all of the generous gifts and cards that were given at the end of term — we were all extremely overwhelmed; they really were very much appreciated.

We are really thrilled to welcome our new Reception children and any other new children who joined our School last week and all of their parents/carers. Our new Reception children will be having their induction over the next week to help them to settle into school life.

As always, we are here to help and support any children who may feel particularly anxious and we will build plenty of PSHE/circle time into the curriculum to allow all children to express their thoughts and feelings and we will contact any parents/carers if we have any particular concerns to discuss.

Alongside all of our safety measures, our aim is to make school as normal as possible so that our children continue to flourish and make progress academically and socially. Certain things, like Worship in the hall, will not be possible for the time-being, however, alternatives will occur regularly so that our children feel part of our wonderful school community. A full curriculum will also run in all classes, allowing our children to develop in all areas.

We are really keen to maintain the lines of communication but we recognise that this may be quite challenging in the current circumstances and will require some creative thinking! During the Autumn Term, we usually invite you all into school for Parents' consultations. These will still go ahead but we will send details out nearer the time. We are also planning to continue using our Seesaw app to share work with you and show you what your children have been doing at school, because it is so important that we maintain the home/school link.

We will continue to use Seesaw and will release details of this in the coming week. It is vitally important that all children and parents are set up on Seesaw in preparation and that we know of any families who do not have access to necessary technology so that we can be ready to support.

Also, please check our school website regularly. We will also continue to produce our weekly newsletter, the first of which is attached.

I will look forward to seeing many of you over the course of the term, if you have any questions in the meantime please do not hesitate to contact me – head@whixall.shropshire.sch.uk

Yours sincerely, Nicola Brayford Headteacher