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17.6.21

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Sports Day / Staffing / News

Sports Day

Following the latest government announcement regarding the extension of the final phase of lockdown, it is with regret that we cannot have spectators at our Sports Days scheduled in the coming weeks.

The situation has been discussed at length with the Local Authority who feel that we do not have capacity to manage spectators in a COVID secure way given the expectation of wiping all equipment down between use, ensuring social distancing between each individual family of 2-metres and the additional burden placed upon schools of managing Track and Trace.

This is obviously disappointing, but we believe that this is the safest option for all our families. We will endeavour to enjoy Sports Day with the children either as a whole school or in Bubbles, weather permitting.

We, like you, are so ready to move towards normal school life and really hope that on 19th July we are able to plan for a normal return to school in September.

Transition Days

We will be going ahead with Transition Sessions as planned for the benefit of the children's emotional well-being. Most new starters are existing families and therefore the risk is significantly reduced. All Covid measures will be adhered to, particularly hand-washing- before and after these sessions.

Y6 Leaving Assembly / Picnic

We will be in touch in due course regarding this as we are finalising arrangements in line with Covid restrictions and rules for groups of 30 outdoors. We are not currently permitted to meet indoors for this event now restrictions have been extended, therefore, it will have to be weather permitting and may end up being shortened due to inclement weather that cannot be planned for!

Staffing – Miss Wood

Sadly, Miss Wood can no longer commit to a full-time role due to personal circumstances and her own childcare commitments. We tried rejigging the cover for Cherry Blossom but couldn't find a suitable solution. We have loved having Miss Wood here - she certainly shared lots of hugs and cheer in her time with us!

Her last day is Friday, however, she is using up some time-owed and leaving just after lunch to go camping, so you may not see her beyond Friday morning drop-off. Mrs Johnson-Ware will do additional days for the remainder of the term and we will look to recruit in the next academic year based on the needs of the cohort.

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Miss Mason – Congratulations!

Finally, after a delay from last year due to Covid-19 restrictions, Miss Mason was finally able to get married in half term. She is now known as Mrs Thomson (this is a great choice of name being that we have Miss Thomson in Silver Birch and Mrs Thompson who leads Maths across the Federation, in Class 3 at Goldsborough!)

Currently, we keep calling her by her married and maiden name by habit but don't worry if you do the same, she'll answer to both!

I am sure you will agree that she made an absolutely wonderful bride and pass on your well-wishes if you see her.

Kind regards,

Miss Zoe Pickard
Federation Headteacher

