

Jessop Stockwell Federation Lead Headteacher: Ms A.Parker

Thursday 2nd July 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope you are well.

I write with further updates for your information.

In order to adapt our planning for the children's return in September, we will be ending the school year on Friday 17th July, at the current Friday Bubble collection times that apply to you.

This is also when the Virtual School provision will stop being updated, though the materials will continue to be available throughout the summer holidays.

The school will use Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July as INSET days to support a smoother transition to all staff returning in September.

Children will return from Wednesday 2nd September. Further information on potential year group staggered start times and days will be shared with you once we have finalised our planning.

Summer Provision

In order to maximise the quality and delivery of our provision when we return in September, school will be closed over the summer holidays (though the materials on Virtual School will remain available). This is in line with the majority of schools in Lambeth.

Whilst we have done our best to maintain educational opportunities for children during the school closure period, we are fully aware of the negative impact that has been imposed on our children's educational and social development. For this reason, we are keen to ensure the government's catch up grant is used strategically to secure the greatest impact for our children. To do this, when we return, we will host Parent Consultations in September, to gain insight from you about how your child/ren have coped during the lockdown period. These honest and open conversations will provide us with some of the information we will need to plan for a targeted approach to their academic and social development, without judgement. This will also be an opportunity to share the outcomes of the children's home schooling with their Class Teachers.

We will also carry out a variety of assessments to inform our gap analysis, and we will be planning for booster and additional tuition sessions for all of our children. This way, the funding will be used to address identified areas of concern, with the support of teachers who know them best, working with tutors as and when appropriate. I can assure you, we are taking this very seriously and we are working hard to review different ways of working to secure accelerated progress from our children's personal starting points, whatever these may be.

More information on Parent Consultation dates and arrangements will be shared with you in the coming weeks. We are keen that all of our children have opportunities to be engaged throughout the summer period; please review the list of activities available within Lambeth.

Free School Meal Vouchers

FSM vouchers will continue to be administered over the holidays. Keep an eye out for these in your emails.

The Learning Zone! Years 2, 3, 4 and 5

The Learning Zones have been incredibly successful at getting more of our children into school. If you have not already signed up, please do. Whilst it is not currently compulsory to attend, the impact on the children's wellbeing, from their own perspectives, have been positive. We would really love all of our children to experience school again before the Summer Holidays begin. With only two more weeks to go, we really would encourage you to sign your child/ren up.

New Catering Company

Bonneville, Jessop and Stockwell Primary Schools are part of 39 schools in the Lambeth School Meals Consortium, who buy into a single catering contract. I am a member of the committee who oversee the contract, and, since January, we have been busy managing a tender process to begin a new contract at the start of the Autumn Term.

From September, ISS will be our new catering company. We look forward to working with them to improve the service, whilst adapting throughout the pandemic and with the wider opening of school. Attached is their welcome letter and a special dietary requirements form. Please only fill this in and return it if you require special catering requirements for your child/ren.

Competition Time

This week's competition has been set by the Humanities Network Team. Choose a Great Black Briton and make a unique and innovative project to celebrate their work and legacy.

If you're stuck for ideas use this link to help you <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VEGURvF79n-nM0f4xM_7K2Z4hRoeogym/view?usp=sharing</u>

Competition closes strictly <u>Friday, 3rd July @ 12pm.</u> Submit your entries to <u>bjspartnershipcompetition@gmail.com</u>

Keep safe and I will keep in touch. Regards,

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Ms A. Parker Lead Headteacher

Mr Baffoe Head of School

Accessing Education Principles for Parents and Carers

- 1. Do not bring or send your child to school if they have coronavirus symptoms, and access a test as soon as possible.
- 2. Should the school contact you raising concerns for your child's health, specifically related to coronavirus symptoms, make arrangements for the immediate collection of your child, who will remain isolated until you arrive.
- 3. Promote the regular cleaning of hands more often than usual with running water and soap and dry them thoroughly or use alcohol hand rub or sanitiser ensuring that all parts of the hands are covered, at home.
- 4. Promote the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
- 5. Promote the avoidance of touching your mouth, nose and eyes.
- 6. If your child 'Goes home alone' actively promote that they do so with no loitering or waiting for their friends. Particularly if they are not in the same 'Bubble' group.
- 7. Leave the area (school gates) as soon has you have dropped your child/ren off at school.
- 8. Do not attempt to access the school grounds without prior invitation from school staff. Instead, access the school by calling or emailing the administrative team.
- 9. Drop your child to school and collect them on time.



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