

## Arnside National Primary School

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Dear Parent / Carer

I would like to make you aware of updates and clarify any issues concerning the remainder of the term. The pupils who have returned to school are working extremely hard and are now looking forward to the summer break. The remaining year groups continue to access home learning and this will be available to the end of term – keep up the hard work. At the end of term, each bubble will finish at their normal time on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July and there will be no early finish.

## Reports

You will receive your child's report on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. In line with Government advice, this will be a shortened, revised format which focuses on attitude and behaviour. Any information on assessments is based on progress up to Easter or the summer, depending on whether your child has returned to school. The date of any assessment judgements will be clearly stated on your child's report. It is impossible for the class teacher to judge pupil attainment for the summer term if the child had not been in school. If you would like to discuss the report, parents are encouraged to make a phone appointment in the last week of term or wait until September when there may be some degree of normality in school.

## Summer

School breaks up on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. There is no requirement for school to open during the summer holidays and Steve Hoare has organised several sports camps for holiday provision. We plan to reopen on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September with Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September as INSET. We will send more information when we have the additional guidance regarding the full reopening of school in September. This still hasn't been released – just leaked to the press as usual!

## **Class structure**

We aim to reopen in September with our existing class structure. We are extremely pleased to be welcoming an additional 6 pupils in September and we have a further 5 provisional pupils that have yet to confirm. This is fantastic news but it does mean that we cannot release class splits until we know exactly who is starting. We will inform you in the week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July with more information. As always, class splits are arranged on age or exceptional circumstances i.e. special education needs. Either way, your child's learning is tailored to their needs and it makes no difference to their progress and attainment - children are very adaptable. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

As always, I will inform you about future plans as soon as we have further guidance from the Government and DFE. At present, I'm hoping for a 'normal' start in September with all the pupils back but as we have learnt from this situation, plans change all the time! Thank you for your help and support this term.

Mr Sharp



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