



Newlyn News

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Summer 2020

It has been a rollercoaster of a summer term but we are all beginning to adjust to our new 'normal' in school. I am delighted to say that we have been able to offer places to children in all year groups and it has been such a pleasure seeing some of our children back in school once again. Last week we welcomed in some of our Year 3 children, much to Mrs Holden's delight! This week we have welcomed back Year 4 and Year 5. It is certainly a little daunting for them on the first day but they quickly settle in and pick up the changes to school procedures.

The children are making the most of our woodland and have loved Forest School taught by our very talented Miss Perry.

This newsletter addresses many questions I have had from parents about what school will look like in September. It may be altered slightly before then as new guidance is due out in August, but these are our current plans. I really hope that this information helps to put your minds at rest and that you will all feel more confident in September.

Thank you to all our parents for the support you have shown the school and for all the hard work you have put into home learning. Have a lovely and relaxing summer holiday.



Provision in school in September

We are expecting all children in all year groups to return to school full time in September.

Our plans are in line with government guidance and have been reviewed and agreed by TPAT. As government guidance changes, we will adjust our reopening plans accordingly and will also need to prepare for local closures to schools. Children will be expected to come to school and attendance will be monitored in the same way as previously.

To make this possible and to keep everyone as safe as we can, we have had to make changes to the school day.

'Bubbles'

We will try and keep our children in 4 'bubbles' in school. There will be an infant bubble for all infant children. These children will be able to play together and will not be expected to maintain social distance. However, staff must maintain a 1 metre distance for their own safety so please discuss this with your child.

Our junior children will be in a Y3 bubble, a Y4 bubble and a Y5/6 bubble. We have made these decisions based on educational and locational factors.

The 'bubbles' will eat and play separately, limiting contact as much as possible.

What should my child bring to school?

They will need water, a snack, a coat or sun hat. They need a PE kit and packed lunch if they do not have school dinners. They should bring a pencil case if they have one but **no toys**.

Arrival at school in the morning

Children can be dropped off at school **from 8.30am** but must be in school by **9.10am**, (except for new Reception children who will arrive at 9.15am). This will hopefully stagger arrival times making parking easier and limiting the number of people arriving at the school gate. A member of staff will be waiting at the school gate and will tell your child when they can go through. If your child is able to go into school by themselves we ask that you allow them to do so. If your child is an infant and needs a parent to accompany them then one parent only can bring them into the playground. (New Reception children can be accompanied up to the building).

There will be places to wait on the slope and 18 boxes in the playground. The children will walk through the boxes and will be directed into their classrooms, supported by staff at all points.

End of the day change to finishing times

Rec/Y1 2.45pm

Y1/2 2.55pm

Y3 3.05pm

Y4 3.10pm

Y5/6 3.20pm

Families can pick up all their children at the earliest time, e.g. if a Reception child has a Y5 sibling then the Y5 can also go home at 2.45pm.

Parents will be asked to let us know if a child is able to go home alone.

Home-school learning

As it is highly likely there will be some disruption to the autumn term and the possibility of a localised lockdown, the teachers will be speaking to you about home-learning. We want to know whether you prefer on-line learning or a paper resource pack. We also want to know how much work you would like for your child each day as we are aware that personal circumstances vary enormously.

First day back:

Monday 7th September

Parental communication

It is so important that we have an up-to-date contact number and email address for you. Please remember to let the school know if you change mobile or home telephone numbers. Thank you very much.

Ill children

If your child is ill in any way, they **must not come to school**. If your child becomes ill at school then we have to send them home so please be prepared for a lot of disruption to the autumn term. If your child displays any symptoms at all, no matter how minor, e.g. complaints of a sore throat, then we ask that your child stays at home and is tested as soon as possible. All children can now be tested. Please call NHS111 to arrange for a test.

Testing positive

If any child or member of staff tests positive then the whole bubble they are in must go home and self-isolate for two weeks.

Goodbye to Mr Lugg

I just want to say a huge thank you to the very lovely Mr Lugg who has been with us for almost two years. I am delighted to say that he has a new job and is looking forward to a new challenge. We will miss him enormously and I know that the children will too.

Thank you to the amazing Newlyn team!

I cannot thank my Newlyn School team enough for all their support, their positivity and the care they have shown during this pandemic. I feel so lucky to work with such a lovely group of people.

Goodbye to our Year 6 children and parents

I do not know where to start! You have been the most amazing year group and we are going to miss you all so much. We are so proud of the lovely young people you have become. We wish you all the luck in the world in your move to secondary school. I really look forward to saying a proper goodbye next week, presenting your awards and watching your virtual Summer Show!



Academic Year 2020/2021

07.09.20	Start of Term 1 for children
23.10.20	End of Term 1
03.11.20	Start of Term 2
02.11.20	INSET day—school will be closed
18.12.20	End of Term 2 1pm finish
05.1.21	Start of Term 3
04.1.21	INSET day—school will be closed
12.2.21	End of Term 3
22.2.21	Start of Term 4
01.4.21	End of Term 4 1pm finish
19.4.21	Start of Term 5
28.5.21	End of Term 5
07.6.21	Start of Term 6
22.7.21	End of Term 6 1pm finish