

CHALKHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 17th July 2020

Dear Parents, Pupils and Carers,

We have finally made it to the end of an academic year that has been truly unique, and one that no-one has ever experienced before. It has been a particularly challenging few months with the country being in lockdown and pupils, parents and staff having to work at home. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chalkhill staff for their resilience and commitment during this difficult period. They have worked incredibly hard to maintain the school's high standards-whether it is working with pupils in school or ensuring that they were supported with the online learning platforms. A special 'thank you' to the parents and carers who have worked with the children at home, and to all the wonderful pupils, many of whom have demonstrated great perseverance and enthusiasm for learning. We cannot wait to welcome you all back in September.

Welcoming all children back to school

On Monday 7th September school will reopen fully.

The prevalence of coronavirus (COVID-19) has decreased, the NHS Test and Trace system is up and running, and we have put measures in place to minimise risks and create a safe environment in school. A full risk assessment is available on the school website.

Returning to school is vital for children's education and for their wellbeing. School attendance will be mandatory again from the beginning of the autumn term. This means from that point, the usual rules on school attendance will apply, including:

- parents' duty to ensure that their child attends regularly at school where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the availability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct

As always, Ms Anthony will be available to support you with all attendance queries.

Between **Wednesday 2nd and Friday 4th September**, we will be inviting all parents into school for a 1:1 meeting with your child's class teacher where you will be provided with information about the academic year as well as discuss any concerns you may have. Appointment dates and times will be sent via email and text in the summer holidays.

Summer holiday homework

In order for pupils to be fully prepared for the next academic year, every child has been set holiday homework by their new class teachers. This is a combination of topic work and practising of key skills that will support their learning in the Autumn term. The homework newsletter and accompanying resources have been posted on Seesaw, emailed to all parents and is also available on the school website. Please make sure that all homework is completed and brought into school on the first day back.

Chalkhill School will be celebrating a very important birthday in September: it has been 50 years since the school was built. We have not yet decided how the school community will celebrate but we would like to display some photographs and memories of the early days of Chalkhill. If you have any we could share, or know someone who might be able to, please send to Martin Francis (Chair of Governors) via chalkhillwriters@chalkhill.brent.sch.uk

Year 6

On Wednesday, we said 'goodbye' to the Year 6 pupils who will be transitioning to secondary school in September. Traditionally, the school has always held a graduation ceremony for the Year 6 leavers but due to restrictions as a result of Covid-19, it has not been possible this year. However, we truly believe that the children should be celebrated so the Year 6 team are busy planning for



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a graduation ceremony to take place in the afternoon on **Friday 4th September**. Year 6 leavers will be able to collect their graduation gifts and everybody will be able to say their official goodbyes. Further information about the graduation ceremony will be emailed to you or posted through the online platforms during the summer holidays.

Staff leavers

I would like to take this opportunity to say 'thank you' to the members of staff who will be leaving the school this year: Ms Khan who taught in Nursery; Ms Newton who supported groups of pupils in Year 4 and Year 6 and Ms Plummer who worked in Year 6. Thank you for all the hard work you have put in this year and for being part of the Chalkhill family. We wish you well in your future endeavours.

Finally, if you have plans to travel abroad for a holiday or to visit family, please refer to government guidance at the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>

I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break. Please stay safe and we cannot wait to welcome you back in September.

Kind Regards,
Miss To
Head of School

Safeguarding

Keeping children safe is our number one priority

Dear Parents,

Please be aware that during the school holidays you are still able to inform us of any safeguarding or child protection concerns you may have.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger you should phone the police.

Call 999.

If you have any concerns about a child being harmed or at risk of harm please contact

Brent Family Front Door - 020 8937 430

If you are calling outside normal office hours (9am - 5pm) please call

the emergency duty team - 020 8863 5250.

If you would like to discuss a concern with a member of the school's safeguarding team, please email

safeguarding@chalkhill.brent.sch.uk.

Mrs Campbell and Ms Anthony check this email daily and will respond as quickly as possible.

Please continue to check the school website regularly for all safeguarding updates, helplines and resources.

Have a wonderful summer break. Stay safe and healthy and we look forward to seeing you in September.

Kind Regards
Mrs Campbell and Ms Anthony



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