



Dear Parents and Carers

As we begin to approach the end of what has been a very unusual school year we are beginning to think carefully about what school may look like in September for our pupils. What is written in this letter is based on the Governments ambition that all pupils and staff will be able to return safely to school in September. However, until this guidance is made available to schools (or current guidance is revised), it is difficult to have total certainty about our plans going forward.

When thinking about children returning to school after, for what will have been for many children, a significant period away from school, we have tried, where possible, to put children with the teacher that taught them prior to school closure. This we feel will help make the transition back to school easier. Many children will be returning to teachers that they already know and who know them. Additionally this teacher will already, having taught them previously, have a good understanding of their strengths as well as future learning needs. These are our teaching groups for next year:

Nursery & Reception: Mrs Wall

Year 1/2: Mrs Burrell

Year 2: Miss Lonsdale

Year 3/4 Mrs Bullock

Year 3/4 Mrs Turner/ Mrs Atkinson

Year 5 Mrs Holme

Year 5 Mrs Collier

Year 6 Miss Gloag

During the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> July we will be in contact with families to confirm who your child's teacher will be for the coming year. We will also be sharing our plans for transition for pupils to help prepare them.

I know many of you will be also thinking of Breakfast club and After school provision again we hope that this will be able to run as normal but are very aware that there will need to be significant changes in Governmental guidance to allow this to happen.

Finally thank you for your support over this time, whether at home or bringing your child to school, the sense of community and working together has been really tangible. As I have already said these are proposals and there maybe further adaption and change needed.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Chandler

## SUMMER FOOD FUND

The Government have now provided guidance regarding the Covid Summer Food Fund, for pupils who are in receipt of free school meals, over the summer holidays.

Each **eligible** child will receive a £90 ecode to cover the holiday period. The voucher will be issued on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July to ensure that all parents receives them before the school breaks up on the 17<sup>th</sup> July.

If you would prefer to have smaller ecodes such as 3 x £30 or 6 x £15 you need to contact the school office by **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**. Ecodes and vouchers will be issued to emails or as a printed paper copies the same as the weekly vouchers parents have already been receiving. If you would like to change the method of delivery please inform the school office ASAP.

More information about Free School Meal Eligibility criteria can be found on the link below:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

## PTA Update

Many thanks for everyone that dropped bags4schools off on Wednesday. The PTA managed to raise £20



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