



25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

As we rapidly head towards the end of term I wanted to share events which will be happening in school. Unfortunately, we are not able to have parents and carers attend our events but we will still be doing as many of the end of term activities as we can with the children. I know that this will be disappointing for many, but I would like to do all I can to help keep all members of our school community safe: children, staff and parents/carers. We have less than three weeks until the end of term and it is really important to us that we can provide our children with all the school-based activities we have planned - even if we have to adapt these to minimise contact.

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Health Week**

**PE kits should be worn ALL week, water bottles are needed and sun cream will need to be applied before school.**

We will start the week with an Olympic themed sports day - Key Stage 2 on the morning and Key Stage 1 & Reception on the afternoon.

For the rest of the week, we have a number of fun activities planned for the children to take part in including: tournaments, inflatables, healthy eating with chef Sarah McCallister, mental wellbeing with P2B, a bike display, football coaching from Hartlepool United and the Foundation of Light, yoga, dance workshops and a visit from the ice cream van!

All classes will remain in their bubbles throughout.

### **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

The children in Years 1 - 6 will be taking part in cricket taster sessions on this day so PE kits will be needed.

### **End of Year Reports**

A written report detailing your child's progress and achievements will be sent out at the end of Health Week. In these reports we have given an indication of how well your child is doing against age related expectations however, given that the full curriculum has not been covered due to the lock down and periods of isolation, it is to be expected that children cannot have met end of year expectations as they would do had there not been disruption to their education.

### **Year 6**

We have asked the children how they would like to celebrate the end of their time at primary school and they came up with a number of ideas! In the end they have agreed on a McDonalds picnic with games and quizzes, and a talent show for those who want to take part. This will take place on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July**. They will also be producing a short video of their memories whilst at Cotsford and this will be shared with parents on Dojo.

### **Staffing for September**

We are saying 'goodbye and good luck' to staff who will be leaving us at the end of term. Mrs Fenwick has secured a full time position, just down the road, at Yohden Primary and Miss Gordon-Taylor will be moving to Blue Coat Junior School. I am sure you will join me in congratulating them on their new posts and thanking them for their hard work and support whilst being part of the Cotsford Team.

In September we are pleased to be welcoming Mrs Hunter to our staff team and welcoming back Miss Johnson. We also have Mrs White and Mrs Wicks joining us on long term supply to support with our Covid Catch Up plan.

Now that our staff appointments have been finalised I can share how the classes will be arranged for September...

Class	Teacher	Teaching Support	
Reception	Mrs Laverick	Mrs Jones	Mrs Wright
Year 1	Miss Johnson	Mrs Kennedy	Miss Elliott
Year 2	Mrs Simpson		
Year 3 / 4 <i>(same children who are currently in Year 2/3)</i>	Miss Bartlett	Mrs Rigby	Mrs Wicks
Year 4	Miss Smith		
Year 5	Mrs Hunter	Miss Bell	
Year 6	Miss Hutton		

Mrs Page will not be classroom based next year. Initially she will be teaching in Year 6 with Miss Hutton as well as delivering interventions across school.

Mrs Hunter has already spent time with the children in her new class and Miss Johnson is well known to all of our pupils.

In the last week of term, the children will spend time with their new teacher and they will visit their new classroom.

### Finally...

School closes on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July** for the summer holidays and re-opens for all pupils on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**. Towards the end of the holidays, I will post information on Dojo about start and finish times, and any Covid restrictions which may or may not be in place.

In the meantime, let's look forward to the sun returning and stay safe.