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AN UPDATE FROM LEMINGTON RIVERSIDE – 25th June 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and the Community of Lemington,

Firstly may I thank you all for your support and positivity over the past few months. The community spirit in Lemington has been superb throughout the time of lock-down – from rainbow bunting across the streets, to huge claps for the NHS and neighbours looking out for one another – we've seen it all here!

As the Government begin to ease the lock-down and we begin to move towards more 'normal' times again, I would like to give you some updates from school and the plans for the next few weeks and months. Please note, as has been the case all along throughout these difficult times, these plans may need to change suddenly depending on what happens with the Covid-19 situation.

I shall try and sum up our way forward as a school 'as things stand':

- ✓ We continue to strictly follow the 'bubble' system at LRPS with no more than 15 children per group and strict social distancing measures in place until we are told otherwise. This will certainly be the case until the end of the summer term (Friday 17th July).
- ✓ As we have been doing since lock-down began in mid-March, we will continue to offer child-care provision for children of key workers & vulnerable families (as defined by the government) until the end of the summer term.
- ✓ We welcomed back children in Year 6 last week, they will continue to be with us every day until the end of term for four days per week.



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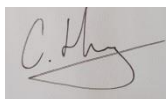
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- ✓ From Monday 29th June we will welcome back our Year 1 children.
- ✓ From Monday 6th July we **aim** to welcome back children in Reception – further information regarding this will follow in due course. This is dependent on risk assessments allowing the safe return of this year group.
- ✓ Following the return of Reception there will be **no further capacity** to welcome back any other children this term. This is due to staffing numbers and the strict social distancing measures that are in place.
- ✓ School will be fully closed throughout the summer holidays between 18th July and 7th September. There will be a huge provision of FREE sports/social activities across the city in what is being described as 'Newcastle's Best Summer Ever 2020' – **to register for these FREE activities for your child/ren please see the flyer at the bottom of this letter.**
- ✓ At present, and if Government advice continues to go the way it is doing, we aim to re-open to children in all year groups for the new academic year on **Tuesday 8th September 2020**. Term dates and staff training days for the 2020/2021 academic year are at the bottom of this letter.
- ✓ Class teachers for September 2020 will be confirmed with parents/carers before the end of the summer term.
- ✓ From September 2020 children in Nursery/Reception will continue to be based in the Early Years (Lower Building).
- ✓ Children in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be based in the Main Building.
- ✓ Further information regarding drop-off and pick-up times and locations for September will follow in due course.

I'm sorry that some of this information still cannot be as detailed as we wish, but I hope the above gives you some idea of the direction in which we are heading and allows you to begin to plan the next few months.

We will continue to keep you regularly updated!

Kind regards,



Mr. Heeley (Head Teacher)



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LEMINGTON RIVERSIDE TERM DATES 2020/2021:

Friday 17th July 2020 - We break up for the Summer Holidays.

Our term dates and training days are as follows for the 2020/2021 school year:

Monday 7th September 2020 - INSET Day - School closed for all children.

Tuesday 8th September 2020 - School opens for Autumn Term 1 2020.

Friday 23rd October 2020 - We break up for the Half Term Holiday.

Monday 2nd November 2020 - School opens for Autumn Term 2 2020.

Friday 18th December 2020 - We break up for the Christmas Holidays.

Monday 4th January 2021 - INSET Day - School closed for all children.

Tuesday 5th January 2021 - School opens for Spring Term 1 2021.

Friday 12th February 2021 - We break up for the Half Term Holiday.

Monday 22nd February 2021 - School opens for Spring Term 2 2021.

Wednesday 31st March 2021 - We break up for the Easter Holidays.

Thursday 1st April 2021 - INSET Day - School closed for all children.

Monday 19th April 2021 - School opens for Summer Term 1 2021.

Monday 3rd May 2021 - Bank Holiday Monday - School closed.

Friday 28th May 2021 - We break up for the Half Term Holiday.

Monday 7th June 2021 - School opens for Summer Term 2 2021.

Friday 23rd July 2021 - We break up for the Summer Holidays.

School re-opens for the 2021/2022 school year on Monday 6th September 2021.



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The Best Summer Ever team is delighted to announce that there will be summer holiday scheme this year. To keep us all safe, we can't run the summer scheme in the usual way, so we will provide families with:

- 1) activity kits to use at home, including sports, arts and crafts, cooking kits and more;
- 2) emergency food parcels;
- 3) access to online activities and group activity sessions;
- 4) activities in parks and open spaces, if social distancing allows, and
- 5) some schools will run summer programmes.

How will it work?

The plan is to drop off activity kits and things to do over the summer on your doorstep. Usually, these kits will be delivered by community groups.

Some activities will be provided online. Families without internet access should let us know as we are setting up local Wi-Fi access systems.

Where there are activities in parks and other outdoor venues, social distancing rules will be strictly adhered to.

If you are interested, what do you need to do?

To register your child/children and find out more, please click on the link below.

<https://network.streetgames.org/newcastles-best-summer-ever-participant-registration-form>

If you are not able to access the form, please text us on 07520631540



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