



# Wistaston Weekly

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"We will challenge, excite and encourage a love of life and learning in every child."

*It has been brilliant to see our Year Fours and Fives back in school this week! Next week we just have our Reception, Year One, Year Six and key worker children.*

*It is hard to believe we are coming towards the end of the strangest school year ever. We hope the situation across the country continues to improve and that things are more like normal next year. That said, we have to plan things differently next year and there is a separate letter regarding the changes being sent out today also. Please read it carefully to help you to understand how we need to manage things next year.*

*The government expects all children to be back in school full-time in September and we look forward to seeing everyone.*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

*Mr Bancroft*

## **NEW MESSAGES**

**There is important new information below – please make sure that you read it.**

### **Staff Update**

There are a number of staff changes happening now and in September. Miss Kinsey is not going to be with us next year. She is going to teach at Shavington Primary School for a year. We will miss her, but wish her lots of success in her new role. Mrs O'Donnell is leaving us to work at The Dingle. She has brought fun, laughter and hard work to the school over the last few years and we will miss her! Mrs Pownall, our Midday Supervisor, is also leaving us and we would like to thank her for her hard work at lunchtimes.

On Monday our new Site Manager, Mr Scott Bickerton starts working with us. We look forward to welcoming him to the team.

In September Mr Rogerson, Miss Lucas, Mrs Dyde, Miss Hole and Miss Washington will be joining us in teaching assistant roles across the school. It will be great to welcome them to Team Church Lane.

Finally, Mrs Lewis will be our new Lunchtime Supervisor in September.

### **Swan Stars Before and After School Club**

To help with the staffing and creating 'Bubbles' within our Swan Stars Before and After School club, until further notice we will no longer be able to accept 'Ad Hoc' bookings. All bookings for Swan Stars will need to be made via a contract booking. (We hope to resume at some point in the future.) If you require any assistance with this or would like to speak to a member of staff regarding your requirements. Please contact Swan Stars on the following email address where one of the admin team will be happy to help you with your query:

[swanstarsbookings@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:swanstarsbookings@wistaston.cheshire.sch.uk)

If you have already had a contract with Swan Stars for the previous academic year, this will continue to run for the forthcoming year unless you inform us in writing. The correct amount of notice as per the terms and conditions need to be adhered to should you wish to cancel. If you wish to amend any of your current days on the contract, please email Swan Stars bookings on the above email address.

Swan Stars is reopening on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September – booking cannot be taken for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> of September.

### **End of Term**

Just to confirm that the last day of term is Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – a brief end of term newsletter will be sent out that day.

### **Year Six Leavers' Activities**

We are heartbroken that the children cannot quite get the send off they deserve. We have a number of nice things planned for the children during their last few days in school: a picnic, escape rooms, parties, a short musical performance, a movie afternoon and quizzes are all things that the children will take part in. As we cannot invite parents to a leavers' assembly the children have put together a leavers' message which we are putting together into a video to share with you.

On the last day children may bring in a school shirt to sign (shirts cannot be signed if they are being worn). The children will only be able to ask people in their current bubble to sign.

At the end of the school day, rather than bring the children out on to the school playground as normal, we will bring them out slightly earlier so that parents can take photos of the children. Please note that we cannot mix bubbles of children at all so there will be clear areas to go to. Also, social distancing is really important – a distance of 1 meter must be kept at all times.

We don't want to make promises that we can't keep but we would like, when it is safe to do so, to invite the children back to school for a leavers' event. I don't know when this could be and it may not be able to happen but that is certainly our intention.

### **Years Four and Five**

It has been absolutely brilliant to see the children this week and to see parents too!

### **Virtual Sports Event**

Thank you to everyone who took part in our virtual sports day. The final results will be available next week!

### **Staff Gifts**

A number of parents have asked if they would be able to send in gifts at the end of the school year. Without being presumptuous, this would be no problem. I am sure that colleagues would be very grateful. Please note that there is absolutely no expectation to do this, but writing it on the newsletter is the simplest way to pass on the message during these strange times.

## **REPEATED INFORMATION**

**The information below has been shared before – you may have read it already, but we have kept it here as it is important.**

### **Information Evenings for new classes**

As we are unable to hold our information evenings this term, we have producing videos for each year group so that you and your children can go online to watch them and learn about their new year group. They are on our school website (don't forget to click on the next year's page, not the current one!)

### **Junior Snack**

Our Junior Snack Bar will not be running in the first few weeks in September. This means that you will need to send your child in with a healthy snack – not crisps or sweets please. We anticipate that the free fruit scheme for infants will recommence in September, but this is not yet confirmed.

### **Vacancy for Midday Assistant**

We have a vacancy for a midday assistant – please contact the school office if you would be interested in the position.

### **Summer Holidays**

Please note that we are unable to offer childcare during the summer holidays this year.

**School Dinner Price Change**

From September the price of a school dinner for children in Key Stage Two will be £2.30 per day.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Bancroft". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'J' and 'B'.

James Bancroft  
Principal