

Thursday 24th September 2020

RE: Primary Update

Dear WSO Primary Community,

I hope this letter finds you well. We are now halfway through this half term, having completed three full weeks and with three to go. We are definitely settling into 'the new norm' in the Primary School as we continue to build on our educational provision, whilst remaining safe and vigilant at all times. We understand there has been an increase in communication to you via email and Seesaw. This is to ensure that you are kept up to date with the current situation as we value transparency and integrity – thank you for your support. We hope that you found the 'Meet the Class Teacher' live events informative and reassuring; our teachers are working tirelessly to support their students, families, and each other. Another positive to share from this week is that PE halls and spaces are now being used for lessons! The children have been excellent at walking to their lessons safely, keeping a distance from one another, and participating enthusiastically in their lessons. Next week will see the start of children attending Performing Arts classrooms which is very exciting!

Key Messages

Rethinking our Primary Learning Model: With three full weeks of Blended Learning completed, please know that we are constantly reviewing all aspects of our programme and exploring how we can improve the learning and overall experience for your children. We remain bound by the KHDA Health and Safety requirements and these are paramount. However we are currently working on an application to the KHDA to increase our onsite provision for all Key Stage Two students to 100%. Families will continue to have the option to choose face-to-face or remote learning, which we respect and support at all times. We also have confidence in our health and safety regimes to both prevent spread and respond effectively and efficiently. Other changes that we hope to make in the not too distant future include outdoor play at break times and the start of using the outdoor learning environment. As always, we will continue to inform you in advance of any changes that are approved which will impact you and your children.

Parent Survey: As we look to improve our communications with our parent community, we would really appreciate your feedback on a few aspects of our return to school. I would anticipate that this survey would take just a few minutes of your time but the feedback could prove invaluable to us as we strengthen our communication links with our parent community. Please Click here to fill in the survey.

Stay at home if unwell: We cannot reiterate this enough. If your child has any symptoms of illness, they must not come into school for the safety of all other people in the building. To be able to return to school, you must have a doctor's note to inform our school clinic that it is safe for your child to return.



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As always, thank you for your continued support. For those of you on Instagram, please do follow @primary_principalwso for frequent updates from Primary.

Stay safe, and see you soon!

Warm Regards

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