



Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children

We are fast approaching the end of what has been a very unique school year. Since the 1st June, the numbers of children attending school have risen steadily as more Year R, 1 and 6 pupils have returned. In addition, the demand for key worker places has rapidly increased to capacity. We are now using every classroom, outdoor space and member of staff across all the three sites through the week. Whilst continuing to ensure the ongoing provision for pupils in school, teachers have continued to provide the Home Learning Resources and respond to pupils and parents via email and the class blogs. We have now established a regular cycle of weekly MS Teams meetings and hopefully you all received the link to the assembly which was uploaded last week. It is our intention that this provision and support will continue till the end of term.

However, we are all very aware that pupils would very much welcome an opportunity for an induction to their new classes and year groups, prior to the start of next term. As mentioned in the letter from our Governing Board last week, we have been looking for a way to achieve this whilst ensuring that we adhere to all of the guidance which remains in place for schools. We have therefore decided that the last day of term for our pupils will be **Friday 17th July**. This will take us to the end of a full week of school when both Cohorts A and B will have been in school. However, as the end of term would normally have been the 21st July, we will continue to ensure there is provision in place for **key worker children on these two days**.

Our plan for 20th and 21st July is to offer induction visits for all children, at some point during either the Monday or Tuesday, in order to spend time with new class teacher(s). These induction sessions will take place one year group at a time outside on the school fields and we will write to you all again nearer the time with further details. In the meantime, please see below a table showing which teachers will be in each class/year group from September. We are delighted to say that Mrs Cox is returning from her maternity leave next term and will be joining Mr Wade as the class teachers in Toucans Class. However, one name missing from the list below is that of Mrs Crowther who will be retiring at the end of this term. We will be so incredibly sad to see Mrs Crowther leave but we are sure she will continue to come back to North Downs in some capacity over the coming months...she can't escape that easily!

School Year 2020/21

Year Group	Class/Site	Teacher(s)
Reception	Owls - Betchworth	Ms Morgan
	Robins - Brockham	Mrs Cobbold
Year 1	Puffins - Leigh	Mrs Tolan and Mrs Ottaway
	Penguins - Brockham	Ms Gahan
Year 2	Woodpeckers - Leigh	Mr Smith
	Kingfishers - Brockham	Mrs Tubb
Year 3	Flamingos	Miss Winslade and Mr Evenden
	Toucans	Mrs Cox and Mr Wade
Year 4	Parrots	Mrs Boyer
	Macaws	Mr Skinner
Year 5	Skylarks	Ms Marshall-Bailey
	Nightingales	Mrs Bradby and Mrs Mitchell
Year 6	Kestrels	Mrs Cummins
	Eagles	Mrs Judd

We will be in touch again soon with further details regarding induction days but in the meantime if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.