



In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2021 Week 12



Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe we are heading into the last week of term. The school is a little quiet without the year 6s and we look forward to seeing their return for the end of term. We are so proud of their resilience. This week, the children have really enjoyed their class parties and their lollies/ice-creams – perfect timing for a change in weather! It was lovely to see them enjoying themselves and 'playing'.

We were very excited that another photographer came to snap away at the children at work. These will be enlarged in black and white, framed and displayed around school. Hopefully you will be able to see them next term!

Next week, despite the Monday 19th July being Step 4 of opening of Covid-19 restrictions, school procedures will remain the same. Surrey Schools have been allowed to continue their procedures in line with our current risk assessments until the end of term. Please remember that we finish early next Wednesday, after the children have had their lunch. (See timings on page 2)

Page 3 and 4 details changes that we hope will happen from September. If there are any alterations to this we will send you additional communication.

I know some families are unable to return next week, so I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to you all for the support you have given school and nursery during another tricky year. I wish you all a safe and happy Summer Holiday!

Stay Safe

Mrs Mace



END OF TERM JULY 2021

Class	GATE TO USE	Place	Collection time
Acorns Nursery	Usual gate	Usual door	12.00pm
Inkpen	MAIN GATE AND PATH BY FIELD	Normal classroom door	12.45pm
Butterworth	MAIN GATE AND PATH BY FIELD	Normal classroom door	12.45pm
Donaldson	MAIN GATE	Normal classroom door	12.50pm
Murphy	MAIN GATE	Normal door	12.50pm
McKee	MAIN GATE	Normal door	12.50pm
Kinney	MAIN GATE	Normal classroom door	1.00pm
Rowling	MAIN GATE	Normal door	1.00pm
Rosen	MAIN GATE	Normal door	1.00pm
Walliams	MAIN GATE	Normal door	1.05pm
Rundell	MAIN GATE	Normal door	1.05pm
Morpurgo	MAIN GATE	Normal classroom door	1.05pm
Pullman	MAIN GATE	Normal door	1.05pm

Ocean Club will be open until 4pm on the last day of term.

Please remind your child to take home all their belongings.

Any medicine that needs collecting, please arrange this with the class teacher as currently medication is locked away in the classrooms due classes being in bubbles. **Please remember to return medication in September to the main office!**

SEPTEMBER 2021

Class	ARRIVAL TIME	Place	Collection time
Inkpen	8.30	CLASSROOM DOOR	2.50
Butterworth	8.30	CLASSROOM DOOR	2.50
Donaldson	8.35	CLASSROOM DOOR	2.55
Dodd	8.35	CLASSROOM DOOR	2.55
Murphy	8.30	OCEAN CLUB DOOR	2.55
Kent	8.30	BACK FIELD DOOR	3.00
Kinney	8.30	BACK FIELD DOOR	3.00
Rowling	8.30	YEAR 4 SLOPE	3.00
Rosen	8.30	YEAR 4 SLOPE	3.00
Walliams	8.30	YEAR 5 DOOR	3.00
Rundell	8.30	YEAR 5 DOOR	3.00
Morpurgo	8.30	CLASS SLOPE	3.00
Pullman	8.30	YEAR 5/6 DOOR	3.00

GENERAL INFORMATION

- As you already know, it is **compulsory that all children attend school**. It is **vital that we get all children back to school on the first day and every day after**.
- We are aiming to return to 'normal' school life! This will mean that the children will be able to mix with each other as there will be no class bubbles. We are excited about the prospect of the children enjoying playing with each other and the class buddies restarting.
- As hygiene is important, they will still need to sterilise their hands on entry to their classes. Please remember to send a small hand sanitiser in with children in years 1-6.
- If your child is late, they will need to be taken to the main office. If your child's class is in the main building, they can be taken down from there. If your child's class is in the 'nest' (Rec and Year 1), you will still need to head to the main office first to register them and you will be asked then to take them to their class door.
- Please continue to use the one way system down the main driveway as this helps to ease pedestrian congestion.
- We have loved seeing the children walk, cycle etc to school and hope they will continue. Please remember to provide them with a helmet! If travelling by public transport, face masks are compulsory as requested by TfL.
- KS2 pupils require a pencil case with resources.
- KS2 pupils will need to bring a healthy snack for break time.

Fruit/Milk and Lunches

- KS1 and Rec receive free fruit.
- Packed lunches will be kept in bags/classrooms.
- The hot dinner menu choice remains unchanged until after the half term. Food will be served at the kitchen hatch, with proper plates and cutlery!! The children will eat in the dining hall again. Some classes will eat between 12-12.30 and then head out to break and some will play first and then eat from 12.30-1pm.
- The children should have a book bag for a reading book and reading comment book and a named water bottle in school.
- Due to the maturity shown, we have decided to continue **with Year 2,3,4,5 and 6** having pencil cases: They will need a pencil, glue stick, small selection of colouring pencils, a blue handwriting pen (not a biro) a small ruler, pencil sharpener, scissors, a rubber, a green, red and black biro for editing their work; and **absolutely nothing else**, unless instructed by their class teacher. Rec and Year 1 pupils will be provide with equipment.
- **Our Remote Learning Offer** will still remain in place. ACORNS will continue to upload information to Tapestry, Reception will use Tapestry & Edmodo to communicate, KS1 will use Edmodo and KS2 will use Edmodo and Satchel One 'Show My Homework'.
- It is expected that all pupils use **Lexia as part of their weekly home learning**.

Social Distancing

There will be no social distancing required when we return in September.

Although staff are not required to wear masks, they may do so if they feel more comfortable.

Please can we ask you all to be mindful as staff will continue to test twice weekly.

Positive Cases

In September, it has been announced that children under 18 will not have to self-isolate if they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19. This means, moving forward, we hope that no classes will have to 'close' based on one positive case.

If a child does test positive for Covid-19, then only that child will need to self-isolate for 10 days. (Close contacts, depending on age, will need to take a PCR test.)

Attendance

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- Rooms will continue to be well ventilated with windows and exterior doors open as much as possible. We are pleased that we have been successful in a bid for a new central heating system! This will be installed sometime next year!
- Breakfast Club and After School Club will continue to run for all children and children can mix once again. It would be very helpful for us to calculate numbers, if you could book at least a week in advance.
- We are aiming for staff run clubs to commence a few weeks into term, once the children and staff have settled back into school. More information about these will follow in September.
- We will need to retrain the children to come to assembly in the Hall, but we are really looking forward to this! As soon as we can, we will welcome parents of the children who have been nominated for value certificates to attend the Friday Assembly.

School Uniform

- From September, children should be back in full school uniform– please see website for details.
- If you need to purchase school uniform, could you please order this via School Money. The main office is closed over the Summer and any orders will be fulfilled as soon as possible after we return in September.

PE

(The class teachers will advise you of these days in September as the timetable is still being devised)

Reception children will continue to come into school in their PE kits on these days.

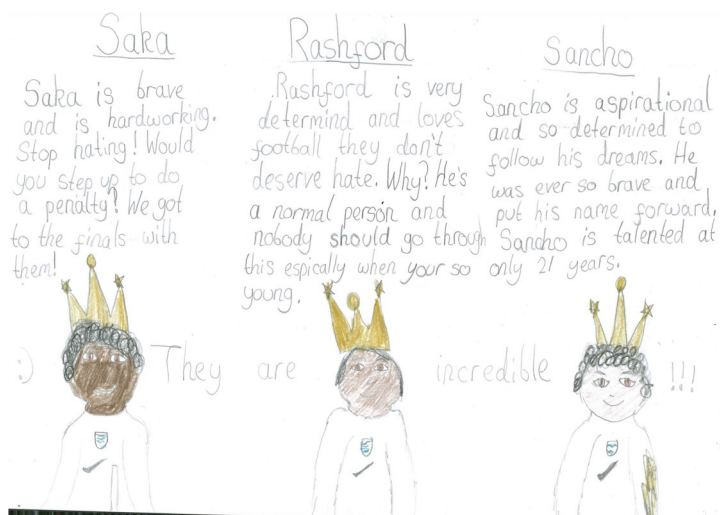
Years 1-6 will come to school in school uniform and change into their PE kit in school again. Please ensure your child has the correct, named PE kit in school, in a PE kit bag, which will stay on their pegs (light blue polo shirt, green shorts, black leggings/tracksuit bottoms for outdoors or colder weather.) Trainers should also be kept in this bag.

The Office

- The office will be open from 8.15-4pm as usual and 3.45 on a Friday, however, should you require anything from school, please contact the office by phone 01883 622000 or by email office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk . Please make sure we have up to date contact details for you.

A - Aiming high

SAKA was brave as he is a young black player and he took a penalty. Although he missed most people are proud of him just playing for our team. But sadly there are some horrible disrespectful people that have been saying/posting disgusting racist comments. As a young mixed race girl I'm so disappointed and I hope this stops.



Following a discussion about how proud we were of the footballers that represented our country so well. Year 5 have been producing some amazing posters in support of their fantastic achievements. Well done Year 5!

All adults MUST wear a mask on School premises, unless exempt.



This week we have been enjoying lots of different parachute games on the playground and we have learnt some new songs too!



Communication this week

- Year 6 letters

Upcoming events

- Wednesday 21st July—End of term

Attendance:

1st Place : Butterworth [R] —96%

2nd Place: Rowling (4) - 95.8%

3rd Place: Kinney (3) - 95%

Whole School: 91.2%

SURFERS AND OCEAN CLUB

Surfers and Ocean Club is now open to all and thriving. Please can parents book by the Sunday for the whole week, as spaces are limited due to Covid restrictions and to ensure staffing ratios.

Ocean Club closes at 6pm. Both Acorns and the Hamsey After School Clubs are now both on the Primary site.

COVID TESTING



Please can we remind parents/carers, that should you request a COVID test, you still need to notify the school office at office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk. We are still required to inform the authorities of any confirmed cases. Please keep us updated should you request a test and are awaiting results. Thank you.

As still are trying to limit the number of people coming into the school. Please make sure that your child/ children have all of the items they will need for the school day when you drop them off to school. We have had a number of 'forgotten' items coming into the office. Due to how the class bubbles work, it is not always immediate that these items get picked up for their classes. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Thank you for continuing to keep our school community safe. Thank you!

School Uniform

Please can we remind you of our school uniform policy, this can be found on our website and also in our parent handbook. Girls and boys with hair longer than shoulder length, must have **all** their hair tied back for school. Please can we remind that motifs or lines or designs should not be shaved into hairstyles. **No jewellery (including earrings) should be worn on PE day for health and safety. Any earrings worn on other days should be kept to a pair of studs. No hooped earrings are allowed.**

Thank you for your co-operation.

Adventure Playground

Please can we ask that you do not allow your children to play on the adventure playground before or after school. Thank you all, for your assistance in this matter.

Change of Contact Details

Please can we ask all parents/carers to let us know of any changes to contact details; e.g. telephone, email and address. We can only communicate with families successfully, if we have the right details!

Thank you. Please email the school office with any changes at office@hamsey.surrey.sch.uk.

SCHOOL DINNERS

From September, school dinners will be increasing to £2.45.

We would like to remind our current Year 2 parents, that once the children are in Year 3, meals will be paid for unless they are eligible for pupil premium. Meals will not be available to book for September until our Inset day in September. Thank you.

Notification from Surrey Expected rise in bronchiolitis cases

As lockdown restrictions begin to lift and families start socialising and attending group play and classes, we are beginning to see a rise in cases of bronchiolitis across our hospitals in Surrey due to the spread of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV). This is particularly unusual for this time of year and experiences from Australia indicate we could see a large surge in England in the coming weeks as infants have yet to build up their immunity.

To avoid placing additional pressure on our paediatric services please make new parents aware of the risks of bronchiolitis during your clinics and conversations with them. There are four key messages for you to share:

- As COVID-19 cases drop and we start socialising again other viruses are rising
 - Bronchiolitis is a very common virus spread the same way as COVID-19 and most babies get better on their own but a small number of babies can become very unwell
 - To help keep your baby well, regularly wash their hands and toys and make space from those who have coughs and colds which can lead to bronchiolitis in babies
 - If you have any concerns about your baby please contact your GP or call 111
- Further helpful information on Bronchiolitis is available on the [NHS website](#).

Word of the Week

(KS1) **Depart**—to leave a place or organisation

(KS2 lower) **Decamp**—to secretly or silently leave a place

(KS2 upper) **Graduate**—to successfully complete your academic schooling

Now that all the children are back in school. Please can we ask you to check your child's hair regularly. Over the counter products are readily available should you need them. Thank you.

STAY AT HOME 

PROTECT THE NHS

 **save lives**

COVID testing UPDATED

If anyone in your household shows COVID symptoms, the household must isolate until the results of the test are known. The person who has tested positive, has a 10 day isolation period.

Self-isolate for 10 days if someone you live with:

- has symptoms of coronavirus and tested positive or did not have a test
- tested positive but has not had symptoms

This is because it can take 10 days for symptoms to appear.

The 10 days starts from:

- when the first person in your home started having symptoms
- the day they were tested, if they have not had symptoms – if they get symptoms after they were tested, self-isolate for a further 10 days from when their symptoms start

When to stop self-isolating

You can stop self-isolating after 10 days if you do not get any symptoms.

Taken from <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/how-long-to-self-isolate/>

Please use the link below for up to date guidance for parents

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=12%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Symptoms of coronavirus in children

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

What to do if your child has symptoms

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have a test.
3. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.

Multiplication Wrist Bands!!!

Just £1!!!!

These are selling like hotcakes! There is still time to purchase one of these great wrist bands before the end of term. They are available to purchase through the shop on school money. The wrist bands come in variety colours and tables, from the 1s all the way to the 12s. For just £1 you can have a band of your choice to practise those dreaded times tables. They are great for the children to use and they look fun too!

To buy them just logon to your school money account and make your choice from the school shop.



Below are the links for the last few courses this academic year with spaces on free online Family Learning courses.

Parents can search our webpage for courses or click on the individual links below for further course information and to enrol.

[Explore Behaviour Strategies 2 week course 15th July and 22nd July 7.30-9pm](#)

The Family Learning Team

Lateral Flow Tests (Rapid Antigen Test)

- All adults and secondary and college age students are encouraged to take a symptom-free LFD test twice a week. You will not need to isolate while waiting for the results of the symptom-free LFD test. Adults can collect a home testing kit from a [designated site](#) or order [online](#). Find out more about symptom-free testing [here](#).
- Please remember if your child or a household member develops COVID-19 symptoms, do not use symptom-free LFD testing. Instead, [book a PCR test](#) or call 119.
- Testing is not a replacement for infection prevention and control measures that education settings, pupils and their households must continue to follow. Remember: HANDS – FACE – SPACE – FRESH AIR.
- We all need to continue to follow national and local COVID-19 guidance in line with the roadmap. In education settings this includes; social distancing between bubbles or cohorts, one-way systems, enhanced cleaning and handwashing, some staggered start and finish times and face coverings where appropriate.
- If you're aged 18 or over you can get the [COVID-19 vaccine](#) (the eligible age is rapidly decreasing). You can [book an appointment](#) at a larger vaccination centre or pharmacy now, or wait to be invited to go to a local NHS service. If you are not yet eligible, the NHS will let you know when it's your turn to have the vaccine.

TEST REPORTING

New household account feature for parents reporting test results

NHS Test and Trace are continuing to develop and improve the process for self-test reporting. Currently, if a parent is submitting results through their account on behalf of a child, they have to enter the child's details every time they report a result.

As a result of feedback from parents, NHS Test and Trace have introduced household accounts. This allows parents to save their children's details to their own user accounts so parents can report results for multiple members in the household more quickly and easily.

When reporting self-test results parents will now be offered the opportunity to create a household account, which should take no more than 2 minutes. Parents can then add all household members to their account, enabling them to save time when reporting all future self-test results.

Source: www.gov.uk—Department for Education