

Khalsa VA Primary School NEWSLETTER

13th July 2020

Thank you

As we write the last Newsletter for this academic year, we hope and pray that you and your family members are all in good health. We hope that you have been able to remain positive and in high spirits. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have assisted us by complying with the new entry and exit of school arrangements. Once again, we thank you all for your support and commitment to the children during these challenging times.

The school will close for children on Friday 17th July. We look forward to seeing you and your children in September. Please do look out for updated school messages via emails and texts. Do keep safe and well. and enjoy the summer holidays.

Year 6 secondary schools

As parents are aware, our year 6 pupils will be leaving Khalsa Primary at the end of this term. The secondary schools that our pupils will be going to are as follows:

Ark Acton Academy	1
Cranford Community High School	1
Dormers Wells High	2
Featherstone High School	11
Greenford High School	1
Guru Nanak Academy	4
The Heathlands High School	1
Heston Community High School	12
Herschel Grammar School	1
Khalsa Secondary Academy	1
Kingsley Academy	3
Nishkam School West London	10
Rivers Academy	1
Villiers High School	6

The children are all excited about going to their secondary school. Please join us in wishing them all, the very best for their future. We will miss each and every pupil and hope that they will come back and share with us all their news.

Provision for pupils

I am pleased to say that we have continued to open the school to the children of key workers. They have attended school on a full time basis for five days per week. On 15th June, we opened the school to children in Reception, years 1, 5 and 6. The children have been taught by teachers and participated in many different learning activities. It's a pity that only a small number of children returned to school. However we understand that parents and carers are anxious about the safety of their children.

Pencil cases

We would appreciate it if parents and carers could support us and provide their child with a basic pencil case with a few simple items - a writing pencil, colouring pencils, eraser, ruler and a sharpner. Please ensure that the pencil case is made of 'see through plastic' and labelled. The children will not be allowed to share their resources.

Children will be allowed to take reading books, however when they return, they will be placed in a box and not used again for 72 hours. Wherever possible we will use resources which can be washed easily.

Nursery and reception children

Parents will receive information about the start times for children in both nursery and reception classes.

Start of school

Children in years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will start school on <u>Friday 4th September</u>. The pedestrian gates (from the street) will be open from 8.30am for parents to drop their children off. Please note that parents can walk their children to the area near the gates and as per guidance, they will not be allowed to come through the gates. This is to avoid transmission and keep everybody safe.

Free School Meal Vouchers

We have issued FSM vouchers to all those who are eligible. The vouchers will be issued periodically over the summer holidays.

Children's books

Thank you to the parents and carers who have collected their children's books from school. If you have not done so, please email us so that we can try to arrange a new time slot.

Thought for the day

Always end the day with a positive thought.

Never give up, miracles happen everyday.

At the end of the day I am thankful that my blessings are bigger than my problems.

Nanak, the whole world is in distress. He, who believes in the Name, becomes victorious.

September 2020

You will have received a letter from the Local Authority to inform you that schools will be opening up for all children in September. We have been very busy preparing for the school reopening. We are following Government Guidance and the following are some of the safety measures which will be in place:

- We are following guidance from the London Borough of Ealing and revising our risk assessment to ensure that our pupils and staff are safe whilst at school.
- We have installed new sinks and bought mobile sink units so that staff and pupils can wash their hands more often.
- We have purchased hand sanitiser units so that everyone can clean their hands as soon as they enter the school premises and in different parts of the school building.
- Personal Protective Equipment has been purchased for staff to use, if a child needs first aid during the school day.
- The children will be divided into 'Year group bubbles' and will only be allowed to use allocated classrooms, playground areas, toilets, dining hall tables, etc.
- Our premises staff are trained and will continue to our new disinfectant fogging machines to ensure all rooms are fully sanitised.
- The level of cleaning will continue to be increased and most areas will be cleaned several times during the school day.
- The resources will be carefully allocated and monitored so that they do not transfer germs.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us on info@khalsa.ealing.sch.uk

And we will do our best to respond as soon as possible.

For further information please visit our school website. It contains all our latest information.

Also remember to follow us on Twitter.