



Harry Gosling Weekly News

Friday 11th September 2020



Welcome back to our weekly newsletter! We'll be sending it out every Friday, so make sure you check it for the latest updates.

It is wonderful to have pupils and parents back with us. Thank you for your support as we work together to develop new routines. The children are full of smiles and positivity and have already adapted really well to increased hygiene routines, year group 'bubbles', different lunchtime routines, staggered timings and much more.

Today we had our first whole school assembly; we all came together as a school via video links in each classroom. We talked about the year ahead.....and admired Yr 3's pirate costumes! We are doing all we can to ensure that the Harry Gosling continues as a close community, even though we can't be together physically. Over the next few weeks you will be getting information on our plans for the rest of the term—the curriculum, homework, parent sessions, etc. We'll be continuing to use text and email, rather than paper letters, wherever possible.

Thank you to all of you who have given such positive, helpful feedback about the management of the new staggered timings. We are aware that it can be inconvenient, but it is part of the 'new normal' and is something that involves solid teamwork between parents and school. We will update you on our continued attempts to get the surrounding roads closed at the start and end of the day, as this is an issue that concerns us all. In the meantime, if you can avoid driving down Henriques Street at these times, that would be very helpful.

Have a wonderful weekend!

- Jennie and Emma

DATES FOR THE TERM

Whilst parent meetings and other sessions cannot take place in the building due to our COVID19 safety measures, we will be finding other ways to share information and get parents involved. Details of how 'webinars' and other meetings work will follow shortly. Here are a few initial dates, with more to follow:

17.9.20 Y6 parent webinar - Secondary transfer.

w/b 21.9.20 Y2 parent webinar – Phonics.

w/b 28.9.20 Y6 parent webinar re. RSE

w/b 5.10.20 Online safety webinar

w/b 12.10.20 Phase parent meetings

w/b 19.10.20 Parent RSE questionnaire

22.10.20 Reception—Y6 flu vaccines

Dates may change—check for updates!

VALUES AWARDS

Our school values continue to be Equality, Excellence, Teamwork and Responsibility.

This week, we have decided that every child in the school has earned a 'Values Award', for making such a fantastic start to the new school year. We have been so impressed to see our values being shown in everything they do.

Choosing class 'Values Award' winners will start next week.

HOUSE POINTS

We will start giving House Points out again next week. How many points will you earn for your house?

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

Thursday - Y6 parent webinar

Friday - Behaviour and Safeguarding Assembly

ATTENDANCE—WEEKLY WINNERS

Phase 2 Lilac - 99.1%

Phase 3 Emerald - 99.4%