

# Kilnwood Vale Primary School End of Year Newsletter 16 July 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

End of year newsletters are traditionally full of photos and celebrations of summer fairs, sports day and school plays. This year is definitely unique and rather than reminisce with what we have missed I want to focus on the many achievements and celebrate what has been possible within our control.

Firstly, this our very first year at Kilnwood Vale, we set out with an ambitious School Development Plan that focused on establishing the very best Early Years foundations for the children in Nursery and Reception. Feedback from GLF Schools and the Department of Education supports the progress that we made in the first 6 months to establish and embed good practice. The children are the evidence of this, and the staff worked hard to ensure that every child made good progress from their start points. Education is so much more than just the academic milestones, and we are also rightly proud of the children developing their confidence, friendships and growing more independent as they experienced different opportunities and gained a wider understanding of the world around them.

The arrival of Covid 19 changed the way we all worked within education, and for the children adapting to home learning and the opportunities that it presented has shown us many benefits of greater parental input and collaboration with the school. A positive we will continue with into the next academic year. The children have continued to demonstrate our school values since many have returned to school, in particular showing their willingness through adaptation, change and resilience to the new structures and routines in place within their new classrooms.

So, we arrive at the end of our first year, that no-one could have predicted, with a positive outlook on the next year ahead. Our small school is growing with 30 more children joining us in reception, and many more into our nursery. Our staff team is growing too, and I look forward to introducing them to you all in September. Below are the key dates for your diary, additional dates will follow in September for other key events.

I would like to say thank you to everyone's support over the year, wish you all a safe and happy holiday, and look forward to seeing you all in 6 weeks time.

Take care

Miss Newton



## Staff Teams for September

### Leadership Team:

Miss Newton, Mrs Holman, Mrs Shaw

### Nursery:

Mrs Doyle, Miss Bates and Mrs Aiken

### Reception:

Mrs Shaw and Mrs Riley, Mrs McPherson, Mrs Jones, Miss Monsellato

### Year 1:

Miss Boorman and Mrs Frazer

### Inclusion Team:

Miss Griffin, Mrs Carter and Mrs Lait

### Play Leaders:

Mrs Mason and Mrs Davis

### School Office:

Mrs Robbins and Miss Griffin

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 & 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED
7 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	Yr 1 Back to school
7 – 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	EYFS Transition Events
14 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	Yr R Full time
26 – 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2020	Half Term
2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020	INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED
17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	12.10pm End of Term
4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED
5 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Back to School
15 - 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2021	Half Term
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021	12.10pm End of Term
19 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	Back to School
31 – 4 <sup>th</sup> May / June 2021	Half Term
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	INSET SCHOOL CLOSED
25 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	GLF CPD Day SCHOOL CLOSED
23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2021	12.10pm End of Term