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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer,

In light of the government's announcement this week about the likelihood of the country moving into Step 4 of COVID-19 restrictions, the Department for Education has released new guidance for schools. I will share a summary of the key information with you here.

Although Step 4 may begin before the end of the summer term, we have been advised to hold off making any changes until the new school year. With cases in the community, this makes good sense.

Therefore I am pleased to inform you that from the start of the new school year, bubbles will no longer be in place at Atworth. This means the playground opening at **8:35am** for children and we ask that parents <u>drop them at the pencil gate</u> ready for an **8:45am** start. This pre-COVID change is to retain the calm way children have come in to school over the pandemic allowing parents to get on with their day. All children will be finishing school at **3:15pm**. Break-times and lunchtimes will resume their previous times with no restriction on how children mix during these times. As Monkton Farleigh was one bubble, they will not experience any changes in this regard. We request parents continue <u>dropping them at the gate next to Falcon classroom</u> however. Extra-curricular club restrictions will also be removed at this time.

All members of the school community will still be required to remain at home if they develop COVID-19 symptoms, test positive or are instructed to isolate. If a pupil develops symptoms in school, parents will be asked to collect them and book a PCR test as is currently the case. From 16 August 2021, children under the age of 18 years old will no longer be required to self-isolate if they are contacted by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case. Instead, parents will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed their child has been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take their child for a PCR test. Schools will no longer play a role in contact tracing from this time unless specifically contacted by the NHS service as is the case with all infectious diseases.

The use of remote education for children who are well but are at home due to COVID-19 reasons will remain fully in place using Google Classroom.

We appreciate this relaxation of restrictions may cause anxiety in some members of the school community. I would like to reassure you that Churchfields will maintain a good quality cleaning regime and appropriate ventilation in line with the guidance, and will continue working with all support services to protect everyone in the new school year and beyond. Staff will continue with regular lateral flow testing during term time as an additional safety measure until we are instructed otherwise.

Should this information change over the summer break, I will keep all members of the school community updated. Otherwise, we are very much looking forward to returning to a more 'normal' school year from September!

Kind regards,

Simon Futcher.





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Wednesday is 'break the rules' day at Churchfields. There are six golden rules that can be broken..... For a price.

Which ones will you choose?



Another shiny gold Mathletics certificate attained! Well done Isla -

great to see you finishing off the year in style. Well done to everyone else working away so hard - this really does make a difference to your maths. Keep up the good work!

GOLD: Isla

SILVER: Theo, Ethan, Josiah, Isla, Emily M

BRONZE: Sam B, Theo, Oliver CJ, Ethan, Josiah, Alexis, Maddox, Rufus, Oliver H, Isla, Lauren, Tomas, Emily J, Leighton, Livinia, Vinnie, Eleanor, Emily M, Emma, George P, George R, Alex S, Amelie, Isabella, Imogen W, Niamh

Photography Competition





Congratulations to Daisy B and Lila who are the winners of last week's photography competition: ground level. We loved these unusual views!

This week's competition is all about the jump!

All you need to do once you have your chosen picture upload it to your class's Google Classroom by Wednesday.

Have fun and enjoy being creative!





We would just like to say a massive thank you to everyone who came along on Sunday despite the weather! The pool committee tagged

along to the PTA jumble and we managed to raise £96.00 towards the pool fund which is a fantastic amount!!

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/churchfieldsschoolpool





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Our KS1 bubble were delighted to welcome in David Garcia, percussionist and music guru, and share the work they've been doing on body percussion. Every year our local music cluster (BOA and Corsham) work on a joint project. Sadly we can't put on a concert this year, so instead we

are joining together virtually and David is recording performances from lots of local schools which will be joined together in a video. Appropriately we will all be singing the song Together, which was written specially for Wiltshire. KS1 have put their own Churchfields spin on this and we look forward to seeing it in the final video!



The Short breaks Scheme provides activities, leisure and social opportunities for children & young adults with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)aged 0-25yrs during

school holiday periods. If you would like to know more, please click on this link

https://www.wiltshireparentcarercouncil.co.uk/en/Short_b reaks

Moving on



Huge thanks to Rev Jane and Zoe from our local churches who came in to work with our Atworth Y6s at this special time of year, talking to them about the move up to secondary school and giving positive advice about challenges they will face - including how to tie a tie! Some very egg-citing structures were built and tested, with varying degrees of success and the children had a lot of fun!









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Term 6	
Tuesday 13 July	R21 induction afternoon & Teddy Bear's picnic
Wednesday 14 July	Break The Rules Day!
Friday 16 July	Pupil Reports go home
Monday 19 July to Wednesday 21 July	Sports Week
Monday 19 July	Y6 Leavers' celebration
Wednesday 21 July	Last Day Term 6
Thursday 22 July	INSET DAY
Friday 23 July	INSET DAY

INSET DAYS 2021/2022

Wednesday 01 September Tuesday 04 January Friday 08 April

Monday 06 June Monday 25 July



