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Dear Parents and Carers

Transition

This week we have welcomed Reception children moving to Year 1 and Year 1 children moving to Year 2 in for their transition picnic visits. I have been so proud and amazed at how well the children have come in without worrying too much about leaving parents. They have had a super time meeting new teachers and we hope this will help to allay any worries they may have about September.

Next week we are looking forward to seeing Year 2 moving to Year 3 and Year 3 moving to Year 4. You should have received your allocated day by text.

During the last week of term (Mon 13th July) we will be welcoming our present Nursery children who are starting Reception in September into school. Once again you should have received the text message telling you which day they are invited in.

Our Year 6 children will be finishing with us officially on Wed 16th July and those who are moving to OWS in September will be visiting Oldbury on either Thursday 16th July or Friday 17th July.

(Year 6 challenge - don't forget to email or message me on ClassDojo with a word or a few key words that sum up your time at Castlefields. This is for my little project that I am doing!!)

ClassDojo

Well done with your continued work on ClassDojo. We will continue with work next week and then teachers will probably start to ease off during the last week of term adding some fun activities and some more challenging things. Year 6 will be largely focusing on their play next week - Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies, so there will be some generic tasks for those still working from home.

Goodbyes

We have said Goodbye this week to Kiera and Brooke Grinell who are moving to Hampshire. We wish them well in their new schools and hope they will keep in touch with us here at Castlefields.

Mrs Hampson's Challenge - I have had a lot more photographs coming in for this challenge. Thank you. Keep them coming though.

We have all been doing sporting activities in school which has been good fun. But remember you have an at home challenge too. I would like to put up a display in the school entrance hall of children and families doing outdoor activities. It is called the JUST A MINUTE challenge. Can you send in a photo and brief description of what sporting activities you can achieve in



one minute e.g. star jumps, bunny hops, jogging on the spot, sit ups etc. I am sure you can be very creative. Send your photos by email and I will print them off and make the display. In September when you come back to school (in whatever form that might look like) you will be able to see them all.

Innage Grange Community Link – send happy thoughts – this project is ongoing please join in if you can. You can recreate a poem or picture that you have already done.

Innage Grange care home is close to the hearts of many of us from the Castlefields Community because they have cared for our elderly relatives with great compassion. During lockdown it has been very difficult for families who have not been able to visit their relatives and difficult for residents of Innage Grange and other care homes as they have had little contact with the outside world.

Mrs Tew has asked if you can paint or colour a happy picture, write a letter to the residents, make up a happy poem or make a card with happy thoughts on. We will collect them in school via email or by hand if children are in school. Mrs Tew will laminate them and deliver them to Innage Grange.

September plans

After the government announcements of this week for opening schools in September, Mrs Lee and the rest of the staff are busy drawing up timetables and plans of how this will all work for Castlefields. The plans are of course to open for all pupils but there will be staggered starts and finishes and children will be kept in their classes and wherever possible they will not be mixing with other classes. Lunch times will be a challenge and that is what Mrs Lee is planning over the next few days. She will keep you in the loop as soon as the plans have been agreed.

We need to have an idea of numbers if Breakfast Club and Wrap Around provision were to open in September – for example in the hall. How many of you would be interested in taking up the offer of sending your children? Please could you email Mrs Lee on r.lee@castlefields.org.uk to tell her if you would use the provision. Breakfast club – normal hours 8.00 – 8.45 then into school. Wrap Around 3.15 to either 5.30 or 6.00. These times may need to alter to link to staggered start and finish times.

Oh how I wish for a time when I could see all the lovely pupils in front of me in the hall for assemblies and end of term celebrations. I am sure we will get back to it next year, but it seems so strange. Never mind the main thing is that we are all safe and healthy. Speaking of which stay especially safe this weekend with rules being relaxed, we need to make sure we still socially distance and keep our high standards of hygiene. We have to keep battling this virus so that we can return to normal life sooner rather than later. Once again it has been lovely to see a few more of you this week when you have brought your children in for transition visits. The Castlefields Community is still the best most caring community around.
Keep smiling, keep laughing but STAY SAFE.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Hampson
Headteacher

