

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday we held our annual Summer Concert on our school field, your children have practised so hard and were wonderful, they really enjoyed performing in front of the other children and staff in the audience and it was a lovely morning. We have added some pictures to our website and our Twitter account and will send out some individual class shots and videos on Tapestry and Google classroom - please see <https://www.coombehillinfants.com/news/?pid=0&nid=9&storyid=36> . We will send out a video of the whole event to you early next week.

### **Government announcement**

I am sure that by now you are all aware of the Government announcement to relax Covid measures including mask wearing and school bubbles on Monday 19 July. We are awaiting detailed guidance from the Department of Education which will feed into our risk assessment and plans for September. We will not be changing anything this **term**, therefore staggered drop off and pick up times will remain the same until the end of term and we would encourage you to continue to wear masks on the school site for these final few days of term. We will let you know about any changes to our September drop off and pick up arrangements as soon as we update them.

### **Covid**

We were so pleased to welcome most of our Squirrel class bubble back into school this morning and are very grateful to those parents who arranged cautionary PCR tests for their children before they returned - thank you. We have continued to see positive Covid cases in school this week and are being both vigilant and careful. We are mindful that there are still vulnerable and unvaccinated people within our community and anxiety is still high for some.

Please see attached a link that has details of all vaccination walk-in clinics in the area <https://swlondonccg.nhs.uk/covid/where-can-you-get-vaccinated/vaccination-walk-in-clinics>.

We urge you to continue to be cautious in monitoring any Covid symptoms in your children, we hope that every child is able to attend school until the end of the term without any more bubbles having to isolate. Please be vigilant and support us in this. Please continue to book a PCR test for your child if they have any Covid symptoms at all, however mild. If anyone in your household has symptoms, make sure they have a PCR test and do not send your child to school. PCR tests can be booked via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> and we encourage you to take lateral flow tests regularly - you can collect a box of lateral flow tests from the School Office.

### **Congratulations to Ibrahim**

Well done to Ibrahim from Owl class who was lucky enough to be selected as a player mascot at the England v Denmark Euro semi-final on Wednesday evening, what a wonderful experience for him. Please go to the News and Events page of our School website for the full story <https://www.coombehillinfants.com/news/?pid=0&nid=9>. To celebrate the Euro

2020 football championships, your child may come in to school on Monday wearing a football shirt if they wish.

**CHIPTA Summer Raffle**

Summer Raffle ticket sales close on Tuesday 13th July, with the draw the following day. There are many great prizes, please go to the following link to buy your tickets, all proceeds will support your children in the Infants' and Junior schools

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CH.Summer2021>

Many thanks to CHIPTA for their hard work in organising the raffle.

**Dates for the Autumn term**

Please find attached our dates for the 2021/2022 academic year, these are also available on our website.

**Absence from school**

Please could I remind you that if your child is absent from school you must contact the School Office by 9.15am on the day of their absence. The office will then pass any information on to your child's class teacher. Please do not report absence or medical appointments via Tapestry or Google classroom to the class teachers as teachers may not have the time to pass this information to the School Office.

Have a great weekend and, as always, thank you for your continued support.

Regards

Janet Berry