



RESPECT INCLUSION TEAMWORK EFFORT

DIARY DATES

Autumn Holiday Monday 21st September 2020

Term ends Friday 16th October normal time

Staff resume Monday 26th October

Pupils resume Tuesday 27th October

11 September 2020

Dear Families

Autumn has arrived. A Primary 4 brought in the first conker of the year! However, I do believe much warmer weather is on its way next week! Classes are going outdoors as much as possible. Whilst there is no expectation that two hours of PE is delivered in these current times (since PE can only be delivered outside), our staff are doing their very best to maximise all opportunities for outside PE. Many classes are in fact receiving at least two hours of PE if not more! If you have any questions about this please drop me an email.

We have instructed SSUK to conduct an audit of our interactive boards and projectors. They started this on Monday and returned today. They still have more work to do and we will let you know how we get on.

Unfortunately, as already mentioned, we are still unable to offer any Parent Council or Active Schools Clubs at this time. We have been advised by the Council that no extracurricular activities are allowed at present due to the risk of increased transmission of the virus when groups, or bubbles, mix and when other adults interact with groups of children. This will be reviewed by the Council after the October break and we hope to have some good news for you about clubs then. In the meantime, there are various online or virtual clubs running and details of these can be found on the Parent Council website.

We are delighted to report that agreement has been reached to put in place a barrier at either side of the school for the foreseeable future to enable us to meet COVID regulations on physical distancing outside the school gates safely. These barriers will be in place 24/7 and should not be moved. They are in addition to our existing School Streets zone which is closed off at the start and end of the school day to make the route to and from school safer for children. As a reminder to parents, the roads which are closed at these times of day

are Sciennes Road from Sylvan Place to Tantallon Place and the whole of Livingstone Place (from Victor Hugo upwards). We are aware that parents continue to park on double yellow lines near the school at drop off and pick up times. This is blocking visibility for children to cross and increasing congestion, making the roads more dangerous for children. We would be grateful if parents could support us in our efforts to make the route to school safer by parking further from the school. We hope the process will begin at some point next week. Thank you to everyone who has worked on this. Caroline McKellar from our Parent Council has pursued this on our behalf since we returned to school in August. Great news all round!

This week's online Assembly focused on Teamwork which is something we value at Sciennes. We linked this to The Sustainable Development Global Goals which we are committed to supporting. Next week is Global Goals Week and marks five years since their launch and the beginning of our involvement. Our Assemblies next week will have this as a focus.

A reminder that children should still bring a waterproof jacket to school. As already mentioned, we are out and about in all weathers!

Have a great weekend.

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SUMMARY OF STAGGERED START AND FINISH TIMES AT SCIENNES PRIMARY SCHOOL AUGUST 2020
P1, P3 and P5 WEST WING **P2, P4, P6 and P7 EAST WING**

Year Group	Start Time	Mon – Thurs Finish Time	Friday Finish Time	ENTRANCE/EXIT
P1	9.00am	2.50pm	12.10pm	WEST DOOR (Sick Kids Hospital side) Parents wait in playground in West zone
P2A, P2B	9.00am	2.50pm	12.10pm	EAST DOOR (Main Entrance)
P2C	9.00am	2.50pm	12.10pm	Classroom Entrance/Exit from Playground
P3	8.50am	3.20pm	12.05pm	WEST DOOR
P4	8.50am	3.20pm	12.05pm	EAST DOOR
P5	8.40am	3.10pm	11.55am	WEST DOOR
P6	8.40am	3.10pm	11.55am	EAST DOOR
P7	8.40am	3.10pm	11.55am	EAST DOOR

***N.B. PUPILS SHOULD ONLY USE THE ENTRANCE/EXIT STIPULATED**

DROP OFF P1 pupils will continue to line up from 9.00am and all other pupils will be able to come into school directly without lining up **BUT ONLY USING THEIR CORRECT ENTRANCE AT THEIR PARTICULAR ENTRY TIME**. P1 and P2 Parents may enter the playground at Drop Off. **Please then leave the playground promptly.**

PICK UP P6 and P7 pupils may only be collected from outside the school gates. P1-P5 Parents, please **only enter the playground just before your designated pick up time**, ensure 2m distancing and then **vacate the playground immediately** you have collected your child to avoid congregating. If you have siblings who need collected at different times, please leave the playground, move away from the front of the school and return at the designated time. Thank you.