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Dear Parents

I hope you have all had a good weekend even with this changeable weather at the moment.

I have been able to pop into church twice now for private prayer and it has really helped to keep up my strength as we begin our final three weeks of the school year. I went for a lovely walk yesterday with a friend to Painshill Park and whilst it was beautiful, it was clear once again, how life has altered. The children as usual are a source of strength too as they continue to show their resilience and adaptability to this new way of working in school.

As we start another week, I wanted to give you the latest updates of what we know to date about moving forward. As always, I will keep you updated with any new information I receive or that is agreed with the Xavier Academy.

### Attendance in school

**A reminder that if your child has been lucky enough to have a place in school so far under one of the key categories, they should be in school every day. There are many families really struggling at home for various reasons who we are not able to offer a place due to capacity. By ensuring your child is using their place, we can be sure we are supporting every family that we can.**

### Transition Sessions

These begin this week for each class to attend and have a goodbye session with their current teacher. Please arrive at your allotted time and depending on the weather, the children will have a chance to see some of their class mates and say goodbye for now, to their teacher. I am sure this opportunity will really benefit the children who are sadly still learning from home. Please support us with social distancing by dropping your child at the gates and collecting them from the front playground at the end of the session.

### Transition Session Timetable

Timings	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July
9.30-10.30am	1 Ladybirds	2 Squirrels	4 Tolkien
11-12.00pm	1 Bumblebees	3 Monet	5 Fiennes
1.30-2.30pm	2 Hedgehogs	3 Delaunay	5 Earhart

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## **End of year reports, new class teachers and work for September 'readiness'**

Your child will receive their end of year report by e-mail if they are learning from home or by hand if they are attending school on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July, your child's new class teacher will upload a welcome video onto e-schools for you to enjoy.

Also on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July, your child will receive a letter from their new class teacher with key information and activities that can be done over the summer to help prepare them for their new chapter.

## **Year 6**

We are still receiving reply slips and when these have been finalised we will inform you of the bubble your child will be in for the final day and a half. We will also notify you about which teacher will be with them and which classroom they will be in.

## **Summer sports camps**

We have provisionally booked our usual PSD coaching company for the first 4 weeks of the summer break. We are awaiting information from them about how this will work. They will be in touch to confirm these arrangements.

## **Calendar/September start**

We are still working on our school calendar from September which should be with you by the end of the term. I ask for your understanding as there will be several aspects of the normal school calendar that will be 'TBC'. As the new term starts, if we are able to add in new dates, we will notify you as soon as we can, in order to give you as much notice as possible for events. The next academic year, we will need to work together to be much more flexible than ever before.

**It has been agreed by the Directors within the Xavier Academy that we should plan and be ready to take all pupils back into school from September and this is what we are preparing for.**

We already have routines in place for staggered starts and end of the day and break times. We will be finalising what this will look like for September and this information will be added to an updated Q&A booklet that you will all receive before the holidays.

## **Wraparound Care**

If your child attends Breakfast Club or After School Club you will be receiving information during the week about continuing this from September.

I appreciate that this is a lot of information to take in but I think it is important that you know as much as possible to begin to prepare for what is to come for both you and your child.

Both myself and the teachers are so looking forward to seeing the children again this week. Please help prepare your child by being relaxed about what is to come and to discuss how they will be given hand sanitiser when they arrive. As you arrive through the gates, you will see socially distanced lines so you can queue to enter. During their session, the teacher will discuss and demonstrate ways in which we line up distanced with one another and how this is already up and running with pupils already attending.

My heartfelt thanks for all the kind and warm messages we are receiving which I share with all the staff, it means so much.

As always, my door is always open.

Take care and God Bless



Mrs Murphy  
Acting Head Teacher



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