



w/c Monday 22 June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have had a good week and have enjoyed the sunshine.

It is so lovely to be welcoming more children back into school and we are all settling into our new routines.

I am pleased to let you know that there will be no changes to the Nechells staff team in September. Please see below for details of our staffing arrangements for the new academic year.

We are planning for September as though we will have the whole school back, but as you know, the plans will very much be driven by DfE/government guidance.

With effect from Monday 29 June 2020, we will re-commence charging for school meals. Should you wish your child to receive a school lunch and you are not entitled to free school meals, a charge will be made at the usual rate. Meals should be paid for in advance, via ParentPay.

Just a reminder that the last day of term is Friday 17 July. Timings for the day will be as usual.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Mrs L Mahony
Headteacher



Staffing 2020/2021

Please find below details of staffing for the next academic year (from September 2020):

Class Teachers

Reception	Mrs Mellor
Year 1	Mr Johnson
Year 2	Miss Coppin
Year 3	Miss Akter
Year 4	Miss Malak
Year 5	Miss Rasul
Year 6	Mr Perks

Teaching Assistants

Reception	Miss Allen
Year 1	Miss Noreen
Year 2	Miss Akhtar
Year 6	Mrs Hanson
KS2	Mrs Gosling, Miss Hamid
Nurture	Mrs Chiles, Mrs Abdulle

Reception

If you are interested in a Reception place at Nechells Primary for September, please contact Mrs Baldwin on 07713 349836.

ParentPay – End of Year Balances

Could all parents please ensure that their ParentPay account is at a zero balance by 17/07/2020. Any credits will be left on the account or can be transferred to any sibling at the school. Any leavers with an outstanding debt will receive a final bill which will be required to be settled as soon as possible. The school will have to fund these debts, which will impact on our budget, and payment will be chased.

The weather was kind to us on Thursday and the children thoroughly enjoyed our lunchtime barbeque!



BBQ



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility



Lockdown wellbeing: 7 ways to stay happy and calm at home

Whether you're cut off from people you love, worried about a vulnerable relative or home-schooling your children: everyone is facing their own challenges at the moment.

1. Chat about how you're going to deal with difficult situations (before they happen)
2. Keep talking to your children about what's happening - Be open and honest with your children and because things are changing all the time, keep checking in. Do this when you're feeling calm and rational.
3. Find an outlet for your stress - Long baths, baking, maybe even cleaning: we all have ways we like to relax – and they're more important than ever at the moment.
4. Stay connected with your support networks (and maybe build new ones) - Talk with your friends and family and work out what kind of support you can offer to each other. Maybe they live close and you can still wave through the window or you can stay in touch using technology. Don't be afraid to ask for help or to offer it too.
5. Ration your news updates. Decide what time you'll get the news or check social media every day – and try to stick to it. For coronavirus advice, use trustworthy websites – such as GOV.UK or nhs.uk. There are good news updates you can read to offset the scary stuff.
6. Keep up your routines - Your usual routines probably went of the window a few weeks ago, but there are some activities you are still doing that can give structure to your day like taking daily exercise, sticking to your regular mealtimes and sleeping patterns. You might find it helpful to create a weekly picture calendar and put it up somewhere everyone can see it.
7. Be kind to ourselves - there's no need to run yourself ragged 24/7. If you think at 4 o'clock: 'I just need to sit down for an hour' – do. Even if you're watching the TV, listening to calming music or looking out of the window with your kids, you're still sharing an experience and that's the important thing.

Should you need any additional support please reach out to our school safeguarding team. Additional sources of support can be found on our school website.

We are continuing to minimise the amount of people we have on site. As a result, we are avoiding any unnecessary visitors, and we will continue to maximise our communications with you electronically and on the phone. We are asking parents/carers to either email nechells.info@e-act.org.uk or telephone 0121 464 2102 instead of visiting our school office. Members of our Senior Leadership Team will be on the main gates during our drop-off and collection times should you have any queries whilst dropping-off or collecting pupils.

Useful contact numbers

You may find the following numbers useful:

School Office – 0121 464 2102 (Mon-Tues & Thurs-Fri) or 07713 349836 / 07712 232950 (Wednesdays)

Childline - 0800 1111

Samaritans - 116 123

Aston and Nechells Foodbank - 07384 213621 or 0121 359 0801

Birmingham Central Foodbank - 0121 236 2997



Please see the school website for additional support and regular updates.

Learner Stars of the Week

These pupils have been chosen by their teachers for their excellent work this week.

	Google Classroom:	Maths:	English:	Wider Curriculum:
Reception	Safiyah	Amaya		
Year 1	Shahd	Mikaeel	Muna	Hashim
Year 2	Maria	Sumayyah	Maryam	Maryam-Fatima
Year 3	Zayna	Abdullahi	Raheem	Ella-Grace
Year 4	Aleena	Maylee	Mohammed	Kaleem
Year 5	Ayesha	Mehek	Annaiyah	Hibba
Year 6	Sana	Rayan	Ziva	Eshan

