



Head Teacher: Lucy Rodgers

Deputy Head: Wendy Wayland

Monday 20th July 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

### **Goodbyes.**

Tomorrow, school will finish for the summer. Before we go, I want to let you know of some members of staff who will be sadly leaving us. Ms Wayland is leaving us to take up the Headship of Frith Manor; Mr Dabasia is moving to a larger school closer to home; Ms Fletcher is moving out of London; Mr Kaffel will be spending more time with his family; and Mrs Joshi will be joining a school closer to where she lives. I want to thank them all for their hard work and commitment to the community of Colindale Primary School and wish them well. As they will not be able to say their farewells directly to the majority of children and parents, they have written a few words:

*"The last four years have flown by and I've thoroughly enjoyed being deputy head at Colindale. Thank you for being such a welcoming and supportive school community. I will always have wonderful memories of Colindale and wish the school every success for the future."* Ms. Wayland

*"It is with a heavy heart that I say goodbye to you all! It has been an absolute pleasure to teach you and be a part of your Colindale journey! I have loved every second of it and for that, I thank you! I wish you all the best in the future and just know that you are all amazing! Hopefully I will get the chance to come back and say goodbye properly!"* Mr Dabasia

*"A big goodbye to all the wonderful families and children I've worked with over the past six years -it has been a real privilege to be part of such a great community."* Ms Fletcher

*"As I look back on my time at Colindale, I'm feeling privileged to have you all as my last class. What a great group of children you are: caring, hard-working, creative, friendly and fun. Even with the pressures placed on us all by Coronavirus, you have continued to impress me with your attitude to learning, either at home or at school in your bubble. You all have really grown up and faced these different challenges as individuals who have learned the art of adapting and making the best of any situation. Now it's time for Secondary school; a new chapter in your lives. Scary? Yes; fun? Hopefully. I wish you all the best; I'm sure that you'll all be great."* Mr. Paul Kaffel

### **Summer Home Learning**

During the summer holiday, don't forget you support and encourage your children to do the holiday home learning which is on the website on the home learning page at

<https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/learning/home-learning/>

### **Starting dates in September**

From September, school returns to being compulsory for all children of statutory school age.

Children MUST attend school everyday and on time.

- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September children **currently attending Little Rainbows and all children in Years 2 to 6** return
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September **Year 1** return
- **Reception and Nursery** will start returning from Monday 14th September – every child will be given their personal starting date



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### **Uniform**

Uniform is again compulsory from the first day of term.

### **Swimming**

Swimming lessons during the school day for all pupils in years 2 to 6, will restart in the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> September. We will send the timetables out to parents nearer the time. Lessons after school remain suspended for now.

### **After School Rainbow Club and Breakfast Club**

These will be running from Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

To make a booking follow this link <https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/pupils/clubs-breakfast-after-school/>

### **Re-opening plan and Risk Assessment**

For the full re-opening plan follow the link below

<https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/School-fully-open-plan-September-2020-for-Parents-and-Carers-14th-July.pdf>

For the full re-opening risk assessment follow the link below

<https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/Risk-Assessment-for-full-reopening-of-Barnet-Schools-Colindale-Primary-School.pdf>

I wish you a happy and safe holiday.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again in September, but to those children in Year 6 whose last day at Colindale is tomorrow – I wish you success in your new secondary schools.

*Lucy Rodgers,*  
Headteacher