

News Update

Summer Term 6 Week 5

2nd July 2020

Transition for September 2020

Building on the academy's class allocation information sent today, the academy will be sending more information as to how transition arrangements could look from September 2020, as soon as possible. The government guidelines and expectations for schools, from September 2020, has now been released. I would like to reassure all parents, carers and children that considerable plans continue to be developed during this time. The academy continues to be in close contact with the University of Brighton Academies Trust and the Local Board as we review and develop our risk assessments in response to school expectations from September 2020. I will provide you with details of the academy's comprehensive response as quickly as possible. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Drop off and collection:

Drop-off: To support parents and carers in arriving earlier than the allocated drop off times we will continue to open the doors to your child's allocated bubble 5 minutes before the allocated time provided. This is in an attempt to reduce any significant queueing.

Collection:

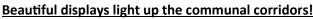
1. Parents are politely requested to collect as near to the allocated finish time as possible. This is to support the children's learning and prevent large numbers arriving at once.

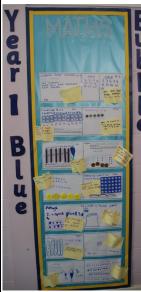
2. Please can parent and carers notify staff in your child's bubble of the person collecting your child, if it is not yourselves. Academy staff, will not release your child out of care without this parental consent.

3. Please note, if you are running late, please could you kindly inform the academy office via phone (01293) 873975) or email (office@phiacademy.org.uk).

Thank you for your continued support.

For children not returning for the remainder of this academic year: Please remember you remain very much part of the academy community. Suggested home learning activities will continue to be sent home and more online resources and platforms will be released this week and into next week to support the children's learning.







Year 1 children have been learning about India and elephants in their topic and looking at repeated addition (counting in 2s, 5s etc) using a variety of techniques in maths.

Reports

End of academic year reports will be sent out in the last week of term via ParentMail (PMX). Your child's report will have been written by their class teacher predominantly based on their assessment and knowledge of your child before the academy's partial closure.

BUG CLUB LAUNCH!

Bug Club is now launched. Your child's login details have



via

Bug Club Parent

mail. Your child's class teacher will now be updating the book allocations to support your child's reading development.

Academy staffing news for September 2020

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Chamberlain will be joining our staff team from September 2020. Mrs Chamberlain is a highly experienced teacher and her passion for teaching and learning truly shone through during her interview process. Mrs Chamberlain will be joining the year 2 team. This follows Miss Burge's hard decision to leave the academy. I am sure you will agree that in a very short time, Miss Burge had a very positive impact on the academy, children and staff. We wish Miss Burge every luck and best wishes for the future!

How can I communicate with academy staff during this time?

- The academy office is closed to parent/carer queries in person.
- Please email general enquiries or messages to the academy office (office@phiacademy.org.uk) or ring on 01293 873 975
- Please email general messages, if required, for the attention of your child's lead member of staff via the new year group email addresses. Please note for children remaining at home, you to can email using your child's current year group email address.

reception@phiacademy.org.uk year1@phiacademy.org.uk year2@phiacademy.org.uk Please remember that you can follow us at : <u>https://twitter.com/PHInfants</u>



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Suggested learning activities for Reception and Year 1 who are not attending the academy week beginning 6th July 2020:

Suggested Home Learning activity sheets and timetables will continue to be structured in the new format.

Activities will continue to focus on topics that the children would normally be covering in the academy. You will continue to receive suggested activity grids at the start of each week. This builds towards a topic that your child will be working on over the whole term. It has been wonderful to see some of the activities shared via the year group email accounts and Twitter accounts. We look forward to seeing more photos!

Although each year group will be working on a different topic, we will continue to provide suggested timetables, so that there are opportunities for children in all year groups to be able to take part in learning for the same/ similar subject at the same time, whilst they remain at home. Mymaths activities will continue. Children continue to have access to Espresso.

<u>Please be aware that now the academy has re-opened, staff will have limited capacity to respond to parent que-</u> ries during the academy day. Staff will endeavour to respond as quickly as possible. Thank you for support and understanding.

Suggested learning activities for Year 2 week beginning 6th July 2020:

From next week (w/c 29.6.2020), Year 2 children will be set maths tasks. We will also continue to upload tasks on MyMaths, as we know from your feedback that many of our children have enjoyed learning in this way.

Children will also have access to Espresso to further support the suggested learning tasks sent and uploaded on to the academy website.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this time. Staff will continue to complete welfare calls over the next two weeks.

We are thinking of you!

