

Tuesday 20th July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the most challenging school year for us all, it has been amazing to see the positive impact our home/school partnership has had for the children. We are delighted with the children's overall progress and outcomes this year and would like to thank you again for your commitment and support with your child's learning at home throughout the school year.

Many thanks as well to our PTA and brilliant team of parents who supported the clearing of the wooded outdoor space at the junior school last Friday. The dens they have already prepared for our children are impressive! Please also see the newsletter from the PTA that has been sent home today. The amount the PTA have raised over the year is an impressive £11,500 – this is just superb!

# Transition videos for children and families

Each year group team from Year 1 to Year 5 have made a transition video for children and families ready for September. These are now available on the children's current class pages of our website and go alongside the transition booklets, which are also available. We hope these help with getting to know more about the staffing teams for next year.

#### Year 6 – Goodbye and good luck!

For all our Year 6 children and families, we would like to wish you all the very best for the next stage of your children's education and for the future. They have been a wonderful cohort of children who I had the privilege of attending my first Beaver Road residential with when they were in Year 3. The team and I have absolutely loved getting to know you and your children during their time at Beaver Road. The children have matured into an exceptionally talented group of young people and have been incredible role models for the rest of the school. I am extremely proud of all they have achieved this year (despite the situation), especially with the added highlights of the Enterprise Project and Ghyll Head residential.

Huge thanks to Mrs Turner and the Year 6 teaching team, who I am sure you will agree with me, have gone over and above this year to ensure the children have the best experiences and memories to take away.





## Autumn Term 2021

In September, our teaching team will continue to work together with you to support the children using the most effective and research based educational approaches. We are already planning and preparing enriched opportunities for the children and look forward to sharing more about these with you, including extra-curricular opportunities, in the Autumn Term.

When the children return to school from Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September, we will be returning to our original school day times for all children. Please ensure that your children arrive and are collected at the times listed here.

School Site	Morning start time	Afternoon finish time
Junior School	8.30am (Doors close at 8.40am)	3.00pm
First School	8.50am (Doors close at 9.00am)	3.20pm

Over the summer holidays, we will be revising our COVID-19 risk assessment and measures in place. These will be written in line with the latest DFE and MCC guidance. The details of these will be shared with you on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September and the full risk assessments will be available on our school website. Please be assured that we will continue to make our school environment is as safe as possible for our whole school community.

## Summer activities

If you are looking for activities to do with your children during these summer holidays, please see the following website with all the latest fun and exciting opportunities/ events locally in and around Manchester.

https://loadstodo.co.uk/guides/schoolhols/

The DfE have also made a new website for parents to help their children with catchup opportunities over the summer. Please see the following link for details. <u>https://educationcatchup.campaign.gov.uk/?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govde</u> <u>livery</u>

Alternatively, we still have some places available in our summer holiday club at Beaver Road. If you would like to book, please contact <u>extended\_school@brps.net</u>. For more information, please see the following page on our school website. https://www.beaverroad.org.uk/page/beaver-road-extended-school-provison/54190

#### Staffing

Whilst we welcome some new teaching staff to our team from September, we are also saying farewell to a few.

- After eight successful years teaching at Beaver Road, Mrs Burrows has decided that this is the year to seek a teaching position much nearer to where she lives in Stockport with her young family. We will miss Mrs Burrows, but we would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all she has given to Beaver Road during her time here and wish her every success for the future.
- We also say goodbye to Mrs Myers who has made the decision to move on from her music teacher post at Beaver Road due to personal reasons. She has provided

many musical extravaganzas for the children over the years and we wish her all the very best for the future.

- Huge thanks and farewell to some of our temporary staff who have been fantastic during their time with us - this includes Mr Haygarth, Mr Crone, Miss Cunningham, Miss Flanagan and Miss Bradley. We wish them well as they move onto new teaching posts.
- We send our very best wishes to Mrs Moran as she begins her maternity leave at the beginning of September.

Congratulations to Mrs Rafferty who has completed her Qualified Teacher Status with us in Year 1 this year. Due to family reasons, Mrs Rafferty has chosen to return to her Higher Level Teaching Assistant post in Reception next year and we are delighted that she is staying as part of our teaching team.

## **School Questionnaire**

As this school year ends, we are inviting you to complete one last questionnaire if you can. Please complete the form on the school spider app so that we can continue to reflect on our achievements as well as what can be improved.

Eid Mubarak to all our families celebrating Eid this week and I wish you all a wonderful break over the summer holidays with your families. I hope you manage to enjoy a well deserved rest and that you keep safe and well.

Best wishes,

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Mrs Liz Hardy Executive Headteacher



Article 3 (Best interests of the child) When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children. All adults should do what is best for children. Governments should make sure children are protected and looked after by their parents, or by other people when this is needed.