

23rd June 2020

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely to welcome more children back to Jewell Academy over the last three weeks. Children have settled well into their new bubbles and it has been amazing to hear the building sound and feel like a school again. The children have adapted to our new way of working brilliantly and some lovely work has been produced by them. Ocean Day in particular was a great success. Our corridors are full of great artwork and we have seen some fantastic, creative pieces from those of you still working at home. Thank you for your continued support in these very strange times. Special thanks also to my staff who continue to be flexible and adapt in the ways they are working.

As new announcements from the government are made almost daily regarding wider opening and catch up programmes, we plan in conjunction with the Local Authority and the Trust. Thank you for your patience whilst we await further communication regarding the summer and September. Once we have a fuller picture of expectations, we will then communicate plans to you.

Please continue to follow government guidance around Coronavirus <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus> and keep yourselves and the wider community safe, so that we can beat the virus and hopefully regain some normality as soon as we possibly can.

STAFF NEWS AND UPDATES



We are very sad to announce that we have several members of staff leaving us in August.

Miss Layfield (Starfish teacher) has been with us for two years and is moving onto a new school in September. We wish her well and know she will be fantastic.

Mrs W (Reception teacher) will not be returning from maternity leave. Mrs W has launched her own business and I have no doubt that we will continue to work with her in the near future and look forward to welcoming her back to Jewell when we can.

Mrs Godwin, our Inclusion Lead and SENDCo, will also be moving onto pastures new and leaves a massive gap for us and all of our children. We wish her every happiness and success for the future.

Miss Law (Starfish LSA) has moved back to Scotland to begin her teaching career. We wish her every success and know she will make a fantastic teacher.

Mr Northover our Office Manager has also left. Mr Northover has been at Jewell since the beginning and will be missed by the whole community.

We wish all of them the very best in their futures and thank them for all they have done for the children, families and staff here at Jewell.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

26th June 2020 – Inset Day.

17th July 2020 – Last Day of Term, school closes to pupils at 1:15pm.

3rd and 4th September 2020 – Inset Days.

7th September 2020 – School reopens to pupils – government guidance to be confirmed.