

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I'd like to start this week's update with a sincere thank you to Jimmy and the team for their excellent work this last week providing play activities for children here at school. There weren't many of us around but we had a lot of fun! I'm really looking forward to welcoming more of the boys back on Monday and will have my team here to support families with any issues on the day with regard to transport, uniform, lunches or any problem that may present itself. Our COVID-19 signage is prepared and agreed movement plans to limit contact between classes have now been put in place. We will work with the children to help them adapt to the changes on Monday morning which, alongside our updated hand-washing and cleaning regime should provide the protection our boys deserve.

If you elect to keep your child at home, **NOTHING HAS CHANGED** and your child should continue to log into the lessons they have been attending since online teaching started early in the lockdown period. I will send an additional message by text and email to confirm a start date for the new timetable. You may be aware that the latest government guidance predicts wider opening for secondary pupils on 15th June. From our perspective we are open to every boy who would like to attend and have our 3 staff work teams in place to limit the infection risk.

For our **year 11 learners** we are fast approaching the deadline for exam grade submission and I know that one or two boys could improve their grade potential with a little bit of work improvement in the coming days. We will contact individual families where we believe additional work can be completed/ improved and invite children to engage with their specialist teacher online or in personal face-to-face classes.

Nerissa, our **Chefs in Schools volunteer** returns to provide lunches that will be served in separate sittings for primary and secondary children. Nerissa will only be with us for one day this week but Chefs in Schools have provided some delicious, freshly made meals for the freezer with recipes from 'The Ivy' restaurant no less. I'm really looking forward to the Moroccan Lamb Bolognese and having driven all the way to Stoke Newington yesterday to collect the food, I think I deserve it! We will limit the number of children eating at any one time to ensure that social distancing is maintained as far as is possible. If you would like access any of the extra food we sometimes have left because of fluctuating numbers (or need help with emergency groceries/ supplies) please speak to a member of the team and we will respond immediately.

We will continue to provide as much detail as possible in our **communication to parents and carers** but if you have any questions or feel like we have missed something please get in touch and let us know. Email info@nightingaleca.org or call reception. For those of you who are uncertain about transport arrangements next week, the local authority teams can be reached on the following numbers:

Borough	Contact Number		
Wandsworth	020 8871 7977	Southwark	020 7703 6180
Lambeth	020 7926 6839	Kingston	020 8547 5540
Croydon	020 8686 2215	Hounslow	07476310089
Merton	020 8545 3286	Surrey 1	07563544522
Lewisham	020 3049 1204	Surrey 2	07532816360

On Monday **boys should arrive in full school uniform**. If this presents a problem in any way please contact the school urgently so that we do not challenge children unnecessarily and can make arrangements to support you.

The weather is set fair, so have a fabulous (and safe) weekend.

Best wishes,



Andre Bailey

Principal