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Monday 3rd May: SCHOOL CLOSED: Bank Holiday Monday
 Thursday 6th May: SCHOOL CLOSED: Combined May election
 Friday 7th May; SCHOOL CLOSED: Professional Development Day
 Friday 28th May: School closes for half term
 Monday 7th June: School opens – Summer term 2
 Friday 16th July: School closes- end of the school year
 Monday 19th July: SCHOOL CLOSED: Professional Development Day
 Tuesday 20th July: SCHOOL CLOSED: Professional Development Day

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children appear to have enjoyed another week in school. Again, we have been very lucky to have no Coronavirus cases affecting school/children’s learning.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We had a fantastic response to our After School Clubs, as we make tentative steps forwards. I would like to thank our staff who have very generously given their extra time to develop the opportunities for our children. Some clubs were so popular we have had to split the groups with several clubs, including KS1 Gardening Club, Y3/4 Basketball and KS1 Construction Club, now working in 2 separate groups (4 week blocks) to enable more children to participate.

PLEASE LOOK CAREFULLY AT THE STARTING DATES AND TIMES as every club is different.

Children participating in BASKETBALL CLUB will need to WEAR PE KIT to school: **Y3/4 BASKETBALL - MONDAY / Y6 - THURSDAY**

POLLING STATION: SCHOOL CLOSED – COMBINED ELECTION 2021- Thursday 6th May 2021

A Combined Election 2021 is on **Thursday 6 May 2021**. In line with Government advice the Local Authority have made every effort to ensure that the use of schools for election purposes is minimised. Unfortunately, the Local Authority are unable to source alternative accommodation for a temporary polling station, as the supply of mobile stations has become a national issue for elections teams across the country.

The Local Authority has advised that **Newham Bridge Primary School** is required for use as a polling station and unfortunately, the current restrictions/ school pandemic guidance required, means that **Newham Bridge Primary School, will be closed to pupils and staff, on Thursday 6th May.**

Home Learning will be provided and will be available online for Thursday 6th May on our home learning page <http://bit.ly/nbremote>. Devices, laptops and tablets, are available for loan from the school office to support pupil access.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Friday 7th May 2021 (This replaces Monday 08.03.21: Government enforced school reopening) **School closed to pupils**
 Monday 19th July 2021 **School closed to pupils**
 Tuesday 20th July 2021 **School closed to pupils**

PE TIMES: PE SESSIONS HAVE CHANGED!!

We ask that the Year 1 – Year 6 children come to school in their kit (white t-shirt, black shorts, joggers and a sweatshirt, plimsolls or trainers) to avoid changing in school. The children’s PE days are as follows:

M	Y2NS	Y1/2HL
T	Y6ZH	Y6EH
W	Y1/2 ES	Y3/4 SB
Th	Y5CR	Y5JR
F	Y3/4HH	Y3/4ZH

All children MUST wear PE clothing on their PE day

(There is to be no changing in school)

To support coverage of our PE curriculum the PE rota will be changing **every 4 weeks**. Please check the newsletter for your child’s PE days as they will change as we operate in 4 week learning blocks. This will enable all of our children to access expert coaching this academic year.

RECEPTION PLACES

The Local Authority have confirmed the Reception place allocation for September 2021 and school has received the pupil list. If you have not heard about your child’s place – Please contact LA admissions

HOME LEARNING/HOMEWORK - DEVICES

With the success of our home learning site much of our homework has now transferred online. We have a number of devices available for loan to support our pupils with accessing the home learning site/homework. If you would like to loan a school device – please contact the school office - to enable staff to prepare a device for collection.

The devices, which have been returned and checked, are now available for loan until week beginning 07.06.21 and can be made available for the election day home learning on Thursday 6th May.

SCHOOL START TIMES

We are continuing to follow the latest guidance for schools to plan our re-opening of, for example - staggered starts, and will be continually reviewing our systems to support a safe return. To enter site.....

- PARENTS **MUST** WEAR A MASK
- FAMILIES **MUST** USE THE ONE-WAY SYSTEM
- **ONE PARENT ONLY** TO COLLECT CHILDREN
- **2m SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED ON SITE FROM OTHER FAMILIES**
- FOR FAMILIES WITH MULTIPLE CHILDREN - **COLLECT AT THE TIME OF ELDEST CHILD**

NURSERY: AM SESSION START 8.30am – 11.15am FINISH. PM SESSION START 12.15pm – 3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 1: RECEPTION CLASS: START 8.45am –2.45pm FINISH
ZONE 2: Key Stage 1: Year 1 and Year 2: START 8.30am –3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 3: Lower Key Stage 2: Year 3 and Year 4: START 8.40am – 3.00pm FINISH
ZONE 4: Upper Key Stage 2: Year 5 and Year 6: START 8.40am – 3.10pm FINISH

ZONE/BUBBLE LOCKDOWN

If any staff, families/ children develop symptoms, depending on numbers, this can/may lead to school 'zone' closure. If we receive confirmation of a positive test result, there may be a requirement for individuals, bubbles and zones to self-isolate. If you do receive a positive test result – please contact the school immediately. For out of school hours – please ring

07835931915 to inform school of POSITIVE TEST RESULTS ONLY.

We advise that you contact school immediately and request that parents refrain from posting test information publicly on social media.

Whilst it is highly unlikely that Newham Bridge will close completely. The government guidance recommends that Schools where possible, are to remain open, closing only affected zones/bubbles and we do appreciate this can have a huge impact on families. Should the local health board close our school, or part of our school, provision will be made, with your support, using our home learning site <http://bit.ly/nbremote>. The site will be the daily source of pupil's work for completion at home in their lockdown books. The books have been handed out – **THESE ARE ONLY TO BE USED IN THE EVENT OF A LOCKDOWN.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (COVID-19)

If you child or a member of your household display any symptoms of coronavirus

- **A high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back
- **A new, continuous cough** – coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – your child cannot smell/taste anything, or things smell /taste different

As Parents/ Carers you MUST to be ready and willing to:

- **book a test**. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their Parents/Carers if using a home testing kit
- provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- **self-isolate** if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19)
- Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test.
- Tests can be booked through the NHS with symptoms at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus or by calling 119. Essential workers, which includes anyone involved in education or childcare, have priority access to testing

We hope you enjoy your weekend!

Take care and stay safe ☺

Regards

B Hewitt-Best