



Newsletter Friday 17th July 2020

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

And so we come to the end of one of the strangest academic years that I can remember in more than thirty years of teaching.

Today we said goodbye to our wonderful Y6 children who have been such a credit to the school and to themselves. I wish them all the very best for their time at high school and beyond. We were unable to give them many of the usual rites of passage that happen at this time of year. However, we were able to reflect with them upon their seven years at Church of the Ascension and remember many of the good times. Thank you to the Church of the Ascension for funding the leavers' bibles and to the Home School Association for funding the year books that each child received. I know that they will be treasured for many years to come.

You should all have received details about what school will look like in September and the arrangements for the beginning and end of the day. All of these details can be found on the school website in the return to school in September tab
<http://www.chur-ascen.dudley.sch.uk/index.php/return-to-school-in-september/>

On behalf of the staff, can I thank you all for the many kind comments and gifts that we have received. The current situation has been strange and although things will be more normal in September things will still be very different to how they once were.

I hope that you have a lovely summer - without any home learning! School begins for the children on Thursday 3rd September.

CHANGE OF DETAILS

Just a reminder to let us know of any change of address, contact numbers (particularly if it is your main mobile number) and email address that happen over the summer holiday when you return in September.

It is particularly important now more than ever that we are able to contact you when we need to distribute information.

Thank you!

MUSIC LESSONS WITH DPA

Dudley Performing Arts are making a temporary offer for online music lessons during the first half of next term. This is a one off arrangement and is available for existing students as well as anyone who would like to play an instrument or have singing lessons. The cost is £7 for a 20 minute individual lesson which includes instrument hire for certain instruments. You can find out everything you need to know including how to enrol at this [website](#).

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to have a taster experience of learning a musical experience as well as providing lessons for those already learning. Dudley Performing Arts will be re introducing face to face tuition during the term and school life returns to normal.

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/information-for-parents-and-young-people/online-lessons-with-dudley-performing-arts-temporary-arrangement-for-september-2020/>

PROVISIONAL TERM DATES

Autumn Term

Children Return: **Thursday 3rd September**

Half Term: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Term ends: Friday 18th December

Spring Term

Children Return: Tuesday 5th January

Half Term: Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

Term Ends: Thursday 1st April

***These dates are provisional as INSET days may change. A full list of dates will be provided in September.**
