



Friday 17th July 2020

## Parents News Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

### September Opening

The latest government guidance for schools advises us to prepare for a **full opening of William Davis in September**. All children will be expected to return; normal expectations with regards to attendance will be in place. We are now planning for this return and will keep you informed of changes. **We expect school to start on**

- **Wednesday 2nd September for all children in KS1 and 2.**
- **Thursday 3rd September for Reception children**
- **Nursery children will be invited to start individually for settling in.**

Please see below for further details.

### Home learning for the summer

We have bought a **special English and maths book** for children in KS1 & 2 to work from over the summer. These will need to be collected by families. There will also be **Family Homework** available in paper and on the website: **Earth, Wind, Fire and Water**. Finally we have been given two additional booklets which will be shared with specific year groups:

- A Happy Self Journal - for Yrs 5 & 6
- Printed activity packs from the British Library- for all children
- A Year Group reading list - you can select books to buy or borrow for summer reading. Fill in the **Bingo Challenge**.

### Summer Reading Challenge- Whitechapel Ideas Store

This year the Summer Reading Challenge will celebrate **happiness, fun and laughter!** Join the team of seriously funny animals as they get up to all sorts of mischief and mayhem in some of the best books around! Register online: <https://ideastore.co.uk/src>



Children taking part can borrow books from the Ideas Store fantastic e-Library for free!



### William Davis is on Twitter + the new improved Website

Please follow us on **Twitter :WD\_School**. We will do our best to keep you updated with WD school news. We are also updating our website [WILLIAM DAVIS PRIMARY SCHOOL - Home](#) - do take a look at the changes and tell us what you think. Key changes are on the Home Page, Our Staff Team, Vision and Values, Curriculum, Clubs.

### Wrap- Around -Care

The new DFE guidance allows us to start running our daily childcare: Rise and Shine (8:00-8:45) and After School Care WD Play (3:30-5:45) from September 1st. It would be helpful if you can let me know if you hope to use these services. Please email [admin@williamdavis.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:admin@williamdavis.towerhamlets.sch.uk) or phone the school: **020 7739 1511**.

### Expectations for September Return to School

1. All children should be in school everyday for agreed times ( see below). Attendance will be compulsory.
2. All children need to be wearing **full uniform** when we return in September. If they have grown out of the items you will need to purchase new items during the summer.
3. **The PE kit is changing:** White T-Shirt; Black/Navy Leggings or Shorts; Plimsolls Or Trainers. Please make sure that children have the correct PE uniform.
4. Children complete **expected homework**.

### A-Z of Covid 19 Changes and updates for School Opening in September

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5. In the morning parents and carers will drop children off at three different points:
  - a. **EYFS** - at their classrooms using the front gate
  - b. **Yrs 1-3** - the main hall using the front gate (parents/ carers to say goodbye at the gate)
  - c. **Yrs 4-6**- the main playground (parents/ carers to say goodbye at the gate)
6. **Assemblies** will be in the classroom
7. Children can bring in **book-bags and PE kits** to school.
8. Children will be organised into three **bubbles** which will help us to separate children inside the building: EYFS, Yrs 1-3: and Yrs 4-6.
9. **Catch up** learning will be built into the curriculum planning; there will be additional maths lessons daily.
10. There will continue to be enhanced **cleaning** during the day.
11. We won't start **clubs** until after October half term.
12. We will continue to have a rigorous approach to **handwashing**. If your child has hand sanitiser they will be able to bring it into school.
13. We will return to our agreed **homework arrangements** ( daily reading, family maths, learning of number facts and spellings)
14. Children will eat a **hot lunch in the dinner hall** in their bubbles: EYFS, Yrs 1-3: and Yrs 4-6.
15. Teachers will **mark children's work**. Assessment and feedback will be crucial.
16. **Parents** will only be allowed to come on site if requested by staff.
17. Classes will be taught by **their teacher(s), the PPA teacher, senior staff or supply teachers** if a teacher is ill.
18. Children are allowed to take home **reading books**.
19. For **individual and very frequently used equipment and resources**, such as pencils and pens, children will have their own items that are not shared.
20. **Classroom based resources**, such as books and games, will be used and shared within the bubble; these will be cleaned regularly.
21. **Resources that are shared between classes or bubbles**, such as sports, art and science equipment will be cleaned frequently or left for 72 hours.
22. Bubbles will use different staircases:
  - a. Yrs 1, 2, 3 will use the west staircase ( office)
  - b. Yrs 4, 5, 6 will use the east staircase ( music room)
23. Morning drop off:
  - a. **EYFS - front entrance 8:50** - parents to walk children round to the Reception or Nursery doors;
  - b. **Yrs 1, 2, 3 - hall 8:50**
  - c. **Yrs 4, 5, 6 - playground 8:50**



24. Afternoon- SMT/TAs on door and gate rotas;
  - a. **EYFS collection - front gate 3:20** parents collect from Nursery and Reception classrooms
  - b. **Yrs 1, 2, 3 collection- 3:20 main playground** (parents to stand around the perimeter)
  - c. **Yrs 4, 5, 6 collection- 3:30 main playground** (parents to stand around the perimeter)
25. The government is funding **tutoring for children** who have fallen behind; we will put this in place once we have returned to school and have a good understanding of the programme.
26. Agreed **visitors and volunteers** will be allowed back on site.
27. We will not organise **educational visits and trips** off site until at least October half term. We won't use public transport; but may consider more local visits if the CV 19 situation stays stable.
28. We will start **WD Rise & Shine** and **WD Play** when the new term starts again to allow working parents to return to full working capacity. Please contact the office for more information.

**Do email us on the admin email if you have questions.**

[Guidance for full opening: schools - GOV.UK](#)

### **Stars of the Week**

Zayan, Rahat and Sayedur Yr 3 have been nominated by Kate and Claudia for their hard work.

### **Staff updates**

Congratulations to Ridhwan; his wife had a little baby girl last weekend. Mother and baby are doing well.

### **Year 7 Tea Party**

We will hold our annual Year 7 teaparty on **Monday 28th September from 4:00-4:30**. Please put the date in your diaries.

### **Holidays**

Enjoy the holidays! It has been a tough four months, but we think the William Davis families have been amazing- resilient and motivated to keep their children learning. Well done! Thank you for working with us to support your children the best that we can.

Yours faithfully,

**Annika Eadie**

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