

Friday 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a few weeks now since we've moved back properly to a 3pm finish of the school day and I'd like to begin by saying thank you to those parents and carers who have helped this to happen. I know there are still a few parents having to pick up a little before the end of the day, but please could I ask you to try your best to collect your children now at 3pm going forward.

In the last few weeks the school has been buying in some new interactive resources for classrooms, so learners will hopefully now have access to them. I must admit, opening the packages that were delivered was a little like Christmas morning. I really hope students enjoy the new equipment and I'm looking forward to seeing it in use.

Well it's just two weeks now until the end of the first-half of the Summer Term and our learners have been making the most of the fine dry weather. Andrea has had the scooters and bikes out in the playground for bikeability, our sport's coach has been busy putting learners through their paces and Maple and Hazel Classes had an excellent visit to Maldon Park Maze.

Being a dog lover myself, the last thing that I'd want to do is not allow parents and carers to bring their dogs onto the school grounds. Some children really benefit from being in the company of a friendly dog. However, a number of our learners are fearful of dogs no matter how cute they are. So it is for this reason that we ask that parents and carers not bring dogs onto the premises.

Havering Council's School Streets Phase 2 scheme is being rolled out from September 2022 as far as we know. We as a school have had communication with the council to say that residents can find information about how this may affect them [here](#) and [here](#).

The school's Relationship Policy (including sex education policy) is on our website for the school community to view as part of the consultation period, which will continue until 6th July 2022. Should you like to read the policy document, it can be found by clicking [here](#). If you have any comments to make about the policy then please email the school directly.

The last day of the first half of the Summer Term is on Thursday 26th May. The first day back after the break is Monday 6th June 2022.

Have a good weekend and best wishes to you all.

Yours faithfully



Geoff Hadlow - Interim Head Teacher

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