



THE WHITLEY NEWSLETTER

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Hello everybody! First of all let me take this opportunity to thank you all for your support through this difficult time. The staff have been fantastic adapting to the new 'normal' and keeping school going. We hope all the children who have been in have had a positive experience and, likewise, thank you for all you have done at home to keep their learning on track!

At the moment we have 70 children in school, happily learning in their 'bubbles'! The change to a 1m rule will mean we can fit a few more children in so please let us know if any more Nursery, Reception or Year 1 children wish to return before the end of term. We will take your details and let you know if you have a place from 6th July but please remember priority will be given to children of key workers (these can be the older children too).

Annual reports will be ready by Friday 3rd July and we will include details of your child's new class and teacher for September.

PRIMARY PLANS

At last we have the news from the government that we all wanted to hear - the children will be back in school at the start of September! We still don't know exactly what this will look like but we will keep you informed.

Primary plans are well under way. **Building work** is starting as soon as school finishes - we will have a new kitchen and the Key Stage 1 classrooms are all being enlarged with a complete refit of the outside creative area and toilets. Everyone is very excited about this and can't wait to see what it looks like.

As you can see at the top we have changed the wording on our **badge**, but do not intend to alter the logo as we feel that this strongly represents our past and connections with St Cuthbert's Church.

Emblematic will have uniform available from 1st July with the new badge but we are quite happy if the children wear out their old 'First School' uniform. After consulting with the Y4 children (before lockdown!) we have introduced a new grey v-neck jumper for Year 5 with a white shirt and tie. The school will provide the tie for all the Year 5 children and we will hand these out on the first day back in September. A photo of the new uniform will be available on the Emblematic website www.emblematic.co.uk from 1st July.

Sally Hobson