

Thursday 25th June 2020



Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your family are well. I would like to take time to update you on some recent updates at Hackney New School.

The school is still currently closed for the majority of students. We are in a position to accommodate some students who are unable to successfully engage with online learning. In the next week, you will receive information as to how much work your child has submitted since online learning began on 23rd March 2020. If you would like your child to attend school so that we are able to help them with their work as they have not completed enough, please contact salimfoughali@hackneynewschool.org or telephone the school. We will be contacting parents directly of students we are most concerned about. The school has put in a vast amount of health and safety measures to ensure that good hygiene and social distancing are in place.

<https://hackneynewschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Risk-Assessment-1.pdf> to see what this looks like.

Submitting work

Your child should be submitting work via the DPR. On our website is some guidance to help you understand what your child needs to do. You can click on this link <https://hackneynewschool.org/hns-virtual-classroom/>. Please do contact your child's Head of Learning if you have any questions or concerns.

Staff training

There will be no online lessons on Friday 26/6/20 to allow for staff training. Please ask your child to use the opportunity to submit any work they have not yet completed.

September

I will be in touch very soon with plans for September. These are subject to government guidance which they have promised will come available in the next few weeks. We have planned for three different scenarios to allow for lessons to take place either in school, remotely or a mixture of both. Please note that following a consultation the school will be moving to the 4.5 days week model outlined in an earlier letter. This means that formal lessons will finish at lunchtime on Fridays. More details about Friday afternoon activities on offer to students will be shared when we have more information about what it is possible to offer following current social distancing guidelines.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'C Whelan'.

Charlotte Whelan
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