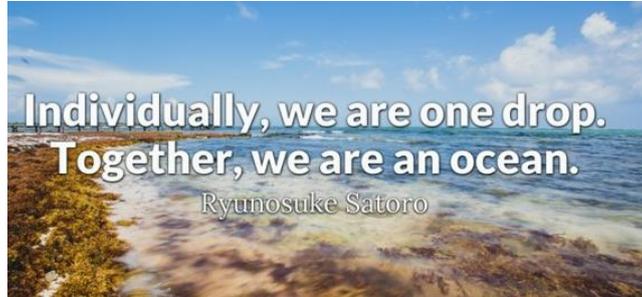


Term 1  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2021



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back for most of you and a big welcome to our new children and their families. It has been an absolutely lovely start to the new school year as our children and staff can now mix all together for the first time in over 18 months. **Togetherness** is key this year. Leading whole school worship on both sites this week was magical. At playtime and lunchtime, seeing all the children playing and eating together was the absolute best part of my week. It has been so long since we could all be together. The children and staff have adapted back to the old 'normal' very quickly and happily.

We are very keen to reconnect with our whole school community and invite you all back on site throughout this year including family worships, celebration of learning events, PTFA events and Christmas celebrations. Newsletters will revert to fortnightly unless there is specific information that needs to be shared. We are really optimistic about the year ahead. High attendance and punctuality are very important and will help your children make a great start to the new school year.

Please do not hesitate to contact school if we can support you in any way.

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## COVID HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

Under the new guidance, we will be operating a normal school day with access to both our sites and the following will be in place to support everyone's health and safety.

- Regular hand washing and sanitizing
- Respiratory hygiene including catch it, bin it, kill it
- Increased cleaning of high contact touch points

Masks are no longer mandatory but if staff, children or parents feel more comfortable wearing one in communal or crowded areas, they are more than welcome to do.

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?



- **All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.**
- **From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid.**
- **Instead, they will need to book a PRC test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.**
- **If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PRC test, NOT a Lateral Flow test.**
- **If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PRC test .**
- **If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PRC test.**
- **Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PRC test unless they have Covid Symptoms.**
- **Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it.**
- **You will be contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts. These contacts will be contacted by NHS Track & Trace and advised to book a PRC Test.**
- **The school may contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known.**

## A370 ROAD CLOSURE – TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

We have been advised by North Somerset council that the A370 will be closed on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September between the hours of 9:30am and 3:30pm. This will undoubtedly cause access issues for our Hewish site. We have been assured that there will be access to the school. Here is the advice school received from North Somerset.

*'We will provide access to traffic needing to get to the school. The best advice I can give to your parents/carers is to liaise with the Traffic Marshals on site who will be best placed to advise on access arrangements at any given point during the works. Surface Dressing is an incredibly fast moving process, to give you an idea the crew tend to aim to install up to 50,000m<sup>2</sup> per day. It is very difficult to say where they will be at any given point especially as you are near the middle of the works however we employ traffic marshals who can communicate with each other to advise your parents, bus drivers etc. on how best to get to the school. Also asking your parents to allow a bit more time than they normally would and bearing with us whilst we make the necessary arrangements for them will be really helpful'*

Due to this road closure, there will obviously be disruption throughout the day. We will continue to run our normal services like mini bus transport as best as we can. Timings may well be affected. School lunches are delivered to our Hewish site and delivery times may also be affected but we will do our best to ensure school lunches as provided to all our children as usual. The end of the school day is often busy at Hewish and this road closure will add additional challenges. Please allow more time for your journey and be prepared for the disruption. It is very unfortunate timing for a road closure but we will all just have to be patient and hope the work is completed quickly. Many thanks for your cooperation.

## BREAKFAST CLUB OPENING

We are very excited to be opening our breakfast club provision for all children at our West Wick site on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September from 7:30am. Our lovely breakfast leaders, Diane and Toni, and Sharon Davies, our wonderful St Anne's cook have been busy getting everything prepared. If you haven't signed your children up to breakfast club yet there are still places available. The cost of a session will start be £3:50 for a breakfast session and £4:25 to include the shuttle bus to Hewish. You and your children will be met at the community room door. Invoices will sent out very shortly. Please contact the school for more information or to book a place. Please spread the word about this new exciting venture for St Anne's.



## NUT-FREE SCHOOL

I know this is always on the newsletter but it is **VERY** important. Please can we remind everyone that we are a **nut-free school** and that snacks and lunch boxes must **not** contain anything nutty, including chocolate hazelnut spreads like Nutella and peanut butter. This is to ensure the safety of our children who can have severe allergic reactions to nuts. Your consideration and co-operation is greatly appreciated.



## DIARY DATES

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September** – PCSA open evening – see below  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September** – WCSA open evening  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September** – After school clubs begin  
**Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> October** – learning review meetings  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October** – End of term 1 for pupils.  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Training day for staff  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – Beginning of term 2

## OPEN EVENING

If your child is due to start secondary school next September, please take the opportunity to visit our fantastic secondary academies' open evenings .

**PCSA OPEN EVENING**  
We are pleased to welcome prospective students and their families to our annual Open Evening on Thursday 9th September 2021 to experience PCSA's educational vision, ethos and fantastic facilities. Interactive student tours, live demonstrations of our curriculum and opportunities to talk to students and staff.  
**THURSDAY 9th SEPTEMBER**  
Join us from 5pm  
www.pcsa.org.uk PriorityCSA @PriorityCSA  
Priory Community School - An Academy is part of the Priory Learning Trust (PLT) - an educational charity. PLT's purpose is to advance education for public benefit. PLT will facilitate knowledge building for all through professional development, with a determination to improve curriculum and pedagogy. STUDENTS FIRST - CHERISHING STAFF - SERVING COMMUNITIES

**WE CHALLENGE AND SUPPORT TO ACHIEVE - WCSA**  
**WCSA OPEN EVENING**  
We are pleased to welcome prospective students and their families to our annual Open Evening on Thursday 16th September 2021 a relaxed evening where students and families can get a wonderful feel of the fantastic atmosphere at WCSA  
**THURSDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2021**  
Join us from 4 pm - 7 pm  
www.worle-school.org.uk @WORLESCHOOL