

15 July 2021

### Newsletter

Another school year over! Its been a school year like no other and the children, staff and families at MMPS have had to make lots of adaptations along the way. Many of the end of year events and celebrations have had to alter and adapt to the Covid restrictions. Sadly, we have been unable to hold our summer fair again – let's hope it can resume next year. However, as restrictions are beginning to lift we have managed to continue educational visits, hold sports days, new parents meetings, telephone parents evenings and have welcomed visitors into school. As you may know, Year 6 normally hold a huge leavers performance. Because of Covid restrictions that was not possible this year, however year 6 filmed their performance and with Mr Busby's help, have produced an amazing episode of "I'M YEAR 6 GET ME OUT OF HERE!" We are so proud of all they have achieved during their time at MMPS and wish them all the best for the next stage of their school careers at secondary.

### Goodbyes

As is often the case at this time of year we say goodbye to the staff who are leaving us for pastures new. This year we say goodbye to Miss Gray from Y3, Miss Irfan from Y4, Mrs Brame and Miss Parvez from Nursery. Mrs Hussain, Mrs Akhtar, Mrs Noreen, Mrs Mir and Miss Partridge are leaving our SEND team. We also say goodbye to Julie from our school kitchen. We will miss them all and wish them all the best in the next stage of their careers. Miss Russell is getting married over the summer and will return as Mrs Sykes in September when I will also introduce you to our new staff.

### Track and Trace over the holiday period

As in previous holiday periods, the government has asked schools to continue test and trace over the beginning of the holiday. **If your child tests positive for Covid up to and including Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July**, please inform us via the school email address [mmps@priestley.academy](mailto:mmps@priestley.academy) After this time National track and trace will take over.

### Returning on September 7th

We return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September. I sent out a newsletter last week detailing the way we will operate as we move to step 4. We will confirm this towards the end of the school holidays and highlight if there are any changes in the light of any government guidance issued during the break. This will be via WEDUC. The key thing is that opening and closing times will return to pre-pandemic arrangements. These are;

School gates open at 8:30am

Reception & Nursery doors open 8:30am

Y1-Y6 Classroom doors open at 8:40am

Classroom doors and gates will close at 8:50am

Afternoon nursery doors open at 12.25pm

I hope you all have a lovely summer break. And for those of you celebrating, I wish you Eid Mubarak for next week.



Lorraine Martin  
Headteacher

