



# Charnock Hall Primary Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

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## Weekly Newsletter Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

Within this newsletter, you will find the latest updates regarding how we are dealing with COVID-19 at CHPA.

### Maintaining social distancing

With increased numbers of pupils now returning to CHPA and with the lovely weather forecast, please ensure you maintain social distancing with your children within general life. With an increased number of children, without maintaining distancing and following Government guidelines, there is an increased risk for contracting COVID-19 and passing it on to other pupils and staff.

In the event of an outbreak within CHPA, we would have to follow set advice and this would result in closure of some or all of CHPA, dependant on the severity of any outbreak.

I fully appreciate that children want to see their friends as they miss them terribly, however, everyone has done so well since March by working together to keep each other safe, that to spoil that now would be detrimental to everyone.

### Information regarding the 2020-2021 Academic Year

As explained in last week's Newsletter, plans are firmly underway for the 2020-2021 academic year. Although we still have a number of possible scenarios for September, based upon how successful and effective the COVID-19 plans in England continue to develop, there are clear indications from Government that a return for all pupils in September is the intention. However, as yet, there is no guidance on this.

I will keep you informed as plans develop over the coming weeks.

Teachers and leaders are putting the final touches to new classes for the 2020-2021 academic year. This information will be shared with you in the next 2 weeks. As a reminder, teachers look at all pupils within a year group and organise classes based upon a number of factors, including pupil relationships and academic development, to ensure there is a fair spread and equilibrium to both classes in each year group. Once classes are finalised, these will be the classes for next as, in the professional opinion of teachers and leaders, and are what will be most effective for all pupils for the next academic year.

Below is a reminder of the inset days for 2020-2021 –

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The full calendar for the 2020-2021 academic year, is now available to see on the CHPA website [www.charnockhallacademy.co.uk](http://www.charnockhallacademy.co.uk)

More information regarding learning, curriculum and how we intend to support pupils to catch up missed learning will be shared in the coming weeks, before the summer break.

### Phased re-opening of CHPA

Last week saw the return of some pupils in YR, Y1 and Y6 in addition to Key Worker and Vulnerable Pupils. This return has been a resounding success and thank you to all those who have sent messages of thanks and support via email, social media or directly to staff. This feedback continues to boost our morale and makes every single staff member burst with pride.

It is unfortunate but unavoidable, that YR, Y1 and Y6 numbers had to be capped but this is due to the continually increasing number of Key Worker pupils we have returning, who, as you are aware, still have the highest priority at this time.

Due to the numbers of pupils we have attending now, future projections up to Friday July 17<sup>th</sup> (the last day of the academic year) and staffing capacity, we will be unable to make any offer of provision, other than PLPs, for pupils in Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y5. For those in YR, Y1 and Y6, we are constantly reviewing this, to see if there is any possible provision for any pupils who are not booked in to attend, but at this time, it is not possible – I will keep you up to date with this.

For clarity, at this time, CHPA will close for the summer holidays on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020.



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## Home Learning & Pupil Learning Packs (PLPs)

PLP's will continue to be published on the website ready for each new week. PLP's will also continue for YR, Y1 and Y6 pupils who are not returning and these will closely mirror what is being taught in class.

PLPs for all year groups are on the website for this week and they will be prepared and on the website for WB 29.6.2020.

Resources such as Bug Club, TTRockstars, BBC Bitesize and other online resources, as previously shared, are still available and have some very good content, if you require any further activities.

## Summer PLPs

Over the summer break, we will be sending out 4 weeks' worth of PLPs, which will focus specifically on Reading skills, SPaG and Maths (the 4 operations of number – addition, subtraction, division and multiplication). These packs will be focused on recapping learning from the current year group ahead of the 2020-2021 academic year. In September, as briefly explained (and to be explained further in the coming weeks), staff will work with pupils to address learning gaps and catch up curriculum.

## Y6 Leavers information

We are now at the time of year when Y6 would be undertaking transition activities at their chosen secondary, planning their Y6 Prom and looking forward to other events that is part of being a Y6 and leaving CHPA. Obviously, this year is very different, but there are a number of plans being made in the background, which I will share with you as Y6's and Y6 parents directly before the end of the week.

Staff and I feel it is important, that although CHPA Leavers of 2020 is very different from other years, that pupils still experience something as an opportunity to say goodbye to CHPA and make the next step in their lives.

## Trips, visits and visitors in 2020-21

At CHPA, we have decided that and trips or visits for the 2020-2021 academic year will not take place until after February half term in 2021 as a minimum. This initial restriction provides Government and any providers ample time to ensure that the most stringent of procedures are in place to keep everyone as safe as possible.

However, to compensate for this, teachers are looking into a number of options for visitors coming and working within classes instead, much like we have used this year, when Y1 had the Zoo visit us. As this is planned, more information will be shared with you.

Slightly different from this may be Y4 swimming, but for Y4 parents, I will share more information with you when it becomes available.

For next year's Y6, I am hoping to be able to provide the new date of the Y6 residential by the end of the week. I will share the final information for this when it is available, but hopefully by the end of the week. As previously stated, do not make any further payments for paying off the residential until I provide you with more information.

For next year's Y2 and Y4, teachers are in the process of planning residential visits for your year groups too. Watch this space for more information!

## Pupil safe & well-being checks

For pupils who have an EHCP and/or are classed as Vulnerable, we will continue to make weekly phone calls to check in with you and your child/ren.

For all other pupils, teachers will continue to undertake fortnightly calls to check in with you and your child/ren to see how well they are accessing and completing their PLP's, answering any learning questions and to support their well-being at this time. However, from next week, the teacher contacting you will most likely not be the teacher they had up to closure in March. This is due to the staffing arrangements in place for the return of YR, Y1 and Y6. You will however, still be able to make contact with the class teacher via the emails previously set up.

If we are unable to speak with you at the time of the call, please ensure you call us back as soon as possible (which is something 99.9% of you are doing if you miss the call).



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## Free School Meal Entitlement

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, there may be many of you, who in these difficult times could be eligible to access Free School Meals.

If you have any questions, please contact us on 0114 2396083 and we will answer any questions in complete confidence.

This system is there to help anyone eligible in time of difficulty, and additionally, CHPA will receive further funding, which in times of tight budgets, is extremely valuable to us driving CHPA forward and provide further opportunities for your child.

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/schools-childcare/school-meals>

## Free School Meal Vouchers Update

Last week, due in part to the impressive public pressure on Government by Manchester United footballer Marcus Rashford, it was announced that the Free School Meal voucher scheme would continue into the summer holidays.

More information will follow on this next week.

## Lunchtime Menu

If having or wanting CHPA meals, below is the available menu between now and the end of term

### Monday

Margarita Pizza, wedges, baked beans.  
Ham or cheese baguette.  
Chocolate pinwheel and custard.

### Tuesday

Macaroni cheese and vegetables.  
Ham or cheese baguette.  
Vanilla sponge and custard.

### Wednesday

Burger/Veggie burger, chips and beans.  
Ham or cheese baguette.  
Flapjack and custard.

### Thursday

Meatballs/Veggie balls in tomato ragu, with pasta.  
Ham or cheese baguette.  
Chocolate sponge and custard.

### Friday

Fish fingers, chips and beans.  
Ham or cheese baguette.  
Biscuit and custard.

## You sharing your information with us

It is always of the highest importance that whenever you change any of your contact details that as a matter of importance, you share these with us. The recent situation has highlighted that a number of you have changed email address, telephone numbers and even home address but have not informed us. Unfortunately, this then makes it impossible for us to contact you easily. However, this is your responsibility, as without this information, you will not receive information that can support you, your child and family at this time.

If you are unsure if we have your correct details, due to a recent change, please contact the main office 0114 2396083 or [enquiries@charnockhallacademy.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@charnockhallacademy.co.uk)



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Procedures in the event of someone becoming unwell at CHPA

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## What happens if someone becomes unwell at CHPA?

- If anyone becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and advised to follow the [COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection guidance](#).
- If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved to a room where they will be isolated behind a closed door, with appropriate adult supervision (This will be the Downstairs Hall). Windows will be opened for ventilation.
- If, whilst awaiting collection, they need to go to the bathroom, they will use a separate bathroom (the Disabled facilities next to the main office). This will be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.
- PPE will be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection.
- In an emergency, we will call 999 if they are seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk.
- When you have collected, do not visit the GP, pharmacy, urgent care center or a hospital.
- Once collected, parents must organise for a test to be undertaken at the earliest opportunity. Pupils will not be able to return until we are provided with the results of a test. If negative, they can return immediately.

## What happens if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) in a setting?

- When a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus (COVID-19), they should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 7 days and must arrange to have a test to see if they have COVID-19. They can do this by visiting [NHS.UK](#) to arrange or contact NHS 119 via telephone if they do not have internet access. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days. All staff and pupils who are attending an education or childcare setting will have access to a test if they display symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), and are required to get tested in this scenario.
- Where the child, young person or staff member tests negative, they can return to their setting and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.
- **Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, the rest of their class or group within their childcare or education setting should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days. The other household members of that wider class or group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.**
- As part of the national test and trace programme, if other cases are detected within the cohort or in the wider setting, Public Health England's local health protection teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise CHPA and other settings on the most appropriate action to take. In some cases a larger number of other children, young people may be asked to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure – perhaps the whole class, site or year group. Where settings are observing guidance on infection prevention and control, which will reduce risk of transmission, closure of the whole setting will not generally be necessary.
- We will only let you know if an individual has tested positive, otherwise this could create needless wider spread concern and panic.

## Thank you

Again, we just wanted to say huge thanks for the positive and lovely comments, either in person, via email or social media. Such lovely comments are really appreciated by all staff and continue to keep us positive in these difficult times.

A huge thanks to Mrs Vickers, who delivered this refreshment package to us this morning. This is really thoughtful and everyone at CHPA sends their sincere thanks.

Take care and stay safe!

Mr P M Burgess & all the staff at CHPA

