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Weekly Newsletter Update – WEEK 38

Dear Parent/Carer,

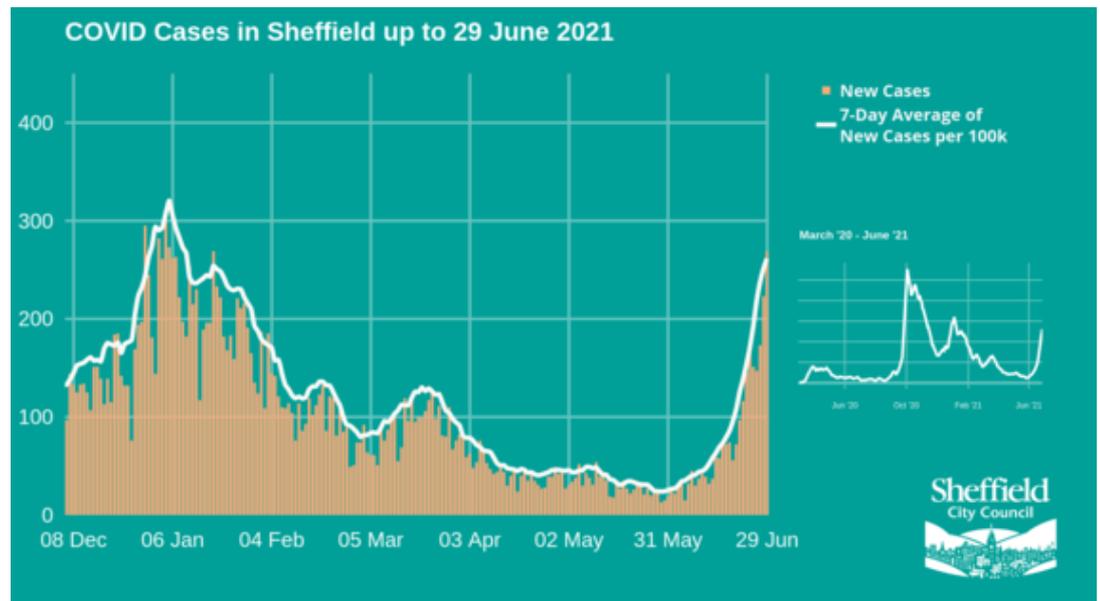
Welcome to Newsletter 38.

A long week, that sees us inch ever closer to the final day of term next Friday. As we look forward to next week, I know staff and pupils from Y2 and Y5 are really looking forward to getting back into the building after their isolations. I am not sure which I have my fingers crossed more for – an England win or for everyone to get to the Summer Break without any Bubble closures. Maybe if we all cross our fingers we can get both!

Covid update

There are no specific updates regarding Covid and how this affects the daily running of CHPA for next week. However, please see an infographic below, which clearly demonstrates the increase of cases recently. With this in mind, please continue to do all you can to keep everyone safe.

As we look at the longer term, following the Prime Minister's announcement surrounding the nations approach to Covid from July 19th, I am even more pleased that we finish next Friday as these new approaches will not affect us until September. Following the announcement, the DfE have shared an updated guidance document for all schools for September, however, as this is 8 weeks away, I fully expect there to be changes to this through the summer. With this in mind, I will update you of our September plans in the days before pupils return on Monday 6th September. Any information I can share before then will be shared next week.



As a reminder, in the event of any Covid case being identified please contact us using the main phone number 0114 2396083 and speaking with a member of staff or leaving a voicemail, and by sending the details of the Covid case to our dedicated Covid email address covid@charnockhallacademy.co.uk

Y4 Deep visit

Unfortunately, due to the recent changes surrounding Covid, the impact this is having on Bubble closures and staff absences at CHPA and across the city, I was left no option but to postpone the Y4 Deep residential planned for 12.7.21. This was the very last option but due to the increasing rates, increased bubble closures (not just for CHPA pupils but also for staff having to isolate due to their own families being required to isolate), updated Risk Assessments and advice from H&S specialists, it was ultimately, the only option.

Pleasingly Mrs Lee has been able to act quickly and move the trip to the Autumn Term. It is disappointing and I share the frustrations of pupils, staff and parents in this, however, in the interests of keeping everyone as safe as possible it was inevitable.

A huge thanks to the 99% of parents who have shown understanding of this decision, your words of support are appreciated.

Pupil Reports 2021

Pupil reports will be sent home next Wednesday with your child. The envelope containing the reports will also contain several other documents, so please ensure you read them all thoroughly.

Transition to new classes

As previously explained, transition to new classes is a huge challenge if we are to protect Bubbles as much as possible. With this in mind, we are hoping for good weather next week in order for a short session with new classes to take place outside. However, as there weather forecast is showing rain until Wednesday, we feel that this is leaving it very late before we let pupils and yourselves know where pupils have been placed for next year.



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Therefore, we will be telling children which classes they will be going into on Monday. This will be followed by us sharing this information with you. Then when we have the opportunity, we will hopefully bring new classes together as explained above. For those identified as needing the additional transitional support, Mrs Fotheringham and Mrs Jenkinson will be working with those pupils next week.

As always, classes are decided upon by the professional judgements of current teachers, who use a number of factors when deciding on classes and are made with the best interests of your child for them to be the best they can be.

Pupil registration on Monday

As explained in the letter sent out to you earlier today, pupils have the option to come into CHPA a little later on Monday morning. If you have not seen it, please see the embedded document or check out our social media pages. It's coming home!!!



Letter to parents -
Arrangements for M

Staff gifts for the end of term

A number of you have made enquiries about bringing in gifts for staff as an end of year thank you. Although such generosity is not expected, I know it is something many children like to do. If you are intending to bring a gift, could this please be brought in earlier in the week so that it can be safely stored before teachers take them home next Friday. This just helps to protect staff from taking any possible Covid infection to their homes.

Downloading the Microsoft Word App

Generally, the letters we send home are created using Microsoft Word. However, it has been highlighted that on some smart phones or tablets, this can make distort the text. With this in mind, can I ask you to download the Microsoft Word App onto your device. The app is free and will allow you to be able to read the document clearly as it will configure to you device.



JPAC Holiday Clubs

Please see the attached information regarding fantastic Holiday Summer Sessions JPAC are providing here at CHPA.

JPAC SUMMER
SESSIONS.pdf

We don't like cricket, WE LOVE IT!

Hollinsend Cricket Club have 3 fully funded spaces available on their Dynamos Cricket Programme coaching sessions for 8–11-year-olds. Do you have a child who would be interested? The club is only a 5 min walk from Charnock.

Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so please email Michael at the club for further details and to book - Michael@asmet.com

Plastic Bags

As we approach the end of term, it is time to send home pupils books and equipment. Can you please send your child with a plastic bag early next week so we can make it easy to carry for you when it is sent home.

PTA update

This afternoon, 2 representatives completed the draw for the PTA Summer Raffle. There were 20 amazing prizes with a staggering £628 raised. A huge thanks to all who entered and well done to the winners. Winners and their prizes will be shared via the PTA social media accounts, with pupils bringing home their prizes next week.

Also, as a huge well done to everyone and a thanks for your support, next week's Freezie Friday is a special one. All pupils will receive a free Freezie (ice-pop) as they leave to start the Summer Break. Lovely gesture PTA, Thank you.

Keep in touch with your PTA:

EMAIL - pta@charnockhallacademy.co.uk

FACEBOOK - <https://www.facebook.com/SupportersofCHS>

TWITTER - https://twitter.com/CHPA_PTA

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 lockdown demonstrated just how many parents have not shared with us their updated details. This is important, so in future; please do contact us with any changes.

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

Take care and stay safe!

Mr P M Burgess & all the staff at CHPA.