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Tuesday 14th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

This will be the last newsletter of the school year. I wanted to get in touch as soon as I could this week and not wait until Friday to let you know the details for September. Some details were shared last week, so please refer to that letter also. All recent newsletters are on our school website.

In addition to what we shared with you last week we can now confirm the details below. Please remember, we don't know as to whether the situation of infection rate of Covid 19 in Norfolk will change over the holidays so the plans below are subject to change if needed. At all times we have referred to the Government's guidance for the full opening of schools. We will communicate with you in good time if anything has to change.

Unless there is a change in local or national infection rate of the virus, Mousehold will be open to all children in September

If your child is going to be in **Year 1 or 2** then their first day back will be **Friday 4th September**.

Staggered start times and end times of the school day.

Class	Year	Timing of day
Barn Owl	2	8.50am – 3pm
Raven	2	8.35am – 2.45pm
Kestrel	2	8.50am – 3pm
Skylark	1	8.50am – 3pm
Swift	1	8.35am – 2.45pm
Swallow	1	8.50am – 3pm
Greenfinch	R	8.35am – 2.45pm
Goldfinch	R	8.50am – 3pm
Chaffinch	R	8.35am – 2.45pm
Kingfisher	N	Normal times for sessions.

If you have more than one child in the school then please bring your children at the earlier time. If you foresee a problem with the times above then we can be flexible for individual situations. Please don't worry. Please ring the school office and we will do our best to change it for you. The reason for the staggered start and end times to the day is to limit the amount of families on the playground at one time. For this reason please be punctual to school and try to arrive and collect at the time given. Please remember to stand apart from other families.

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Uniform

We would like all children to wear uniform in September and the clothes don't need to be washed any more than usual.

Before school and after school provision in September

Early Club at Mousehold will start on Monday 7th September from 8am. Please book a place through ParentMail if you would like to reserve a space. This service will be available from September. We will have a limited number of spaces. We will use the library and the shared area next to it, so that children have more space. If you arrive before 8am instead of waiting in the school lobby at reception please wait on the playground, ensuring you are appropriately social distanced from other families. Mousehold after school clubs will start within the first half-term at some point all being well. We don't usually start them until the beginning of October anyway. We will review this nearer the time.

After School provision at Acorns and Treehouse

We have contacted these providers and they won't be up and running at the start of September. Acorns will let us know when they are able to reopen and we will pass that information on to you. Treehouse hope to be open for the second half of the Autumn Term but this will be confirmed directly between Treehouse and the families who currently use their provision. If you don't use Treehouse and are interested for when they reopen then please apply directly to them online and they will keep in touch with you. <http://treehousechildrenscentre.co.uk/>

Facebook

Our teachers have been working hard as Facebook admins and we have really enjoyed hearing from you. We will be taking a break over the summer and there might not be someone to reply to a message. The Facebook page will have a few messages on for you over the holidays but we won't be posting photos of children. Let's all have a break and come together again on there soon. We are delighted in how the Facebook page continues to be a place for positivity and celebration.

Thank you to everyone

This has been a year like no other and one the families and staff at Mousehold will always remember. Staff have worked extremely hard in difficult and ever- changing circumstances and I want to thank them and wish them a great Summer. Thank you Mrs Conway and Mr Hillman – go and spread your Mousehold magic in other schools and remember we will miss you.

There are many positives we take from this time and like I have said before we have a lot to be proud of. The poem I have written the school community has been sent to you with this newsletter and is also on our school Facebook page. I have tried to express in the poem the way that staff and families have supported and encouraged each so well. If there is one verse that we all need to remember it is this:

Well done to you all I think you all shine,
I'm so proud of you and we've done just fine.

I wish you all a great Summer holidays and I very much looking forward to seeing you in September. Year 2s, you will be seeing me too. I often visit George White Junior and other schools and I know you will soon be settled as Year 3s. You have been amazing. The class of 2020.

Take care all and I'll be seeing you soon,

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Rebecca Westall
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Mousehold 2020

So way back in March we all heard the news,
Mousehold would close to all but a few.

We struggled to think how it all could be true,
But together we smiled and tried not to feel blue.

The strength of community meant we all worked together,
To make the best of it in glorious weather.

We launched our new logo and it went down well,
'Thank you Mr Jones' we all want to yell!

We welcomed all to our facebook and website,
The sense of togetherness was in the spotlight.

Rainbows and animals decorated our school fence,
Our children in school's hard work was immense.

Children at home were making and creating,
Enjoying singing, book covers and lots of baking.

Staff worked in school always with such a smile,
Supporting the children and going the extra mile.

We then welcomed back more children in June,
This time was so special and normality seemed soon.

Children were smiling, and laughing and free,
They talked of happy times with their family.

Staff were pleased to see more faces,
And made the most of the outdoor spaces.

The classrooms looked different but felt just as warm,
We all got used to the temporary norm.

So Reception and Year One were all in their bubbles,
We wanted to welcome back all others without troubles.

We thought of a plan for Nursery and Year 2,
Yay, we could do it and include all of them too.

We come to the end of summer twenty twenty,
A year of memories and events of plenty.

Farewell Mr Hillman and Mrs Conway,
Thank you so much and we'll miss you each day.

Goodbye to Year 2, how amazing you are,
You are awesome and fabulous and each one is a star.

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