



Highfields Academy

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Good morning everyone,

Well the week got off to a lovely start. When I arrived this morning there was an envelope sitting on my desk and in it was the rainbow painting that I ordered from Patrick in Foundation a couple of weeks ago. Thank you very much Patrick, it is now proudly displayed in my window. I see that you have now raised over £500, an amazing effort!

I am sure that many of you will have seen the Prime Minister's announcement last night regarding the next stages of managing the pandemic. It came as no surprise that schools will start to reopen after the half term holiday (from Monday 1st June) and that this would be limited to certain year groups. It was perhaps a little more surprising at which year groups have been chosen. Although this is not guaranteed, the intention is that from Monday 1st June pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will return to school. It has been made clear that should the scientific research show that this is not safe then this date will be pushed back.

We have been planning for various scenarios regarding reopening and one of these fits well with what the government are currently proposing. There is likely to be a lot of information coming out today and later on I have a Senior Leadership Team meeting and a meeting with the other Headteachers of Nantwich schools, followed by a Local Advisory Board meeting tomorrow so I will not give any more detail today about what this will potentially look like but by Wednesday we should be in a position to start providing some details about how this will work at Highfields.

Provision will still be available for vulnerable pupils and those whose parents are key workers, even if they are not in those chosen year groups.

In the meantime, school will continue to operate as it has done for the past 7 weeks. We will continue to be open but only for those pupils who meet the criteria set out at the start, ie: Key Workers, pupils with EHC plans and those with social care involvement.

I hope you have all had a lovely weekend. I have received many emails regarding things that families did to mark the 75th anniversary of VE day; these were lovely to see – thank you.

Have a good week everyone. Stay safe, keep well and we will see you soon.

Simon Dyson.

From the Love Music Trust:

I am pleased to enclose links to our virtual music resources for w/c 11th May 2020.

'Home' lessons

- EYFS/KS1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=enP7BCGjto0>
- KS2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uDaMfsZBC5c>

Daily Big Sing

- Monday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CwdPTlw3YF0>
- Tuesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYYmwjCWF1w>
- Wednesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z3bvsGjB4ZI>
- Thursday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3U4x44NaJQ>
- Friday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZPaWVQe9WA>

Please also find attached two PDFs:

- A worksheet required for next week's KS2 home lesson
- Lesson plans for next week's live lessons