

Wentworth

The Joyful Learners

Newsletter: Autumn Term 1 September 2020

A warm welcome to all our new children who have started or will be starting this term. Of course we equally welcome back all our families who have returned after the summer break.

Children's Learning

Since the beginning of this term our focus of course has been on the following: developing relationships with all our new children, enabling them to follow a routine and develop their independence as well as learning about the Coronavirus including the importance of hand washing and why people are wearing masks. Additionally, children have been learning about how to climb, balance and jump safely to enhancing their counting skills and ability to take turns. Some children have also been interested in castles and dragons and have subsequently been involved in designing and building a castle and learning about such terms as *moats and battlements*.



Covid 19

What the school is doing to keep your child safe as well as parents and staff.

- Regular hand washing
- Classes are separated

- Staggered start and finishing times
- Regular cleaning within the school

Please remember if you or your child have the following symptoms:



- a **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Do not come to school, stay at home and get a test. Tests can be obtained from

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/>

or call NHS on 111

- Inform school immediately regarding test result

There is now an additional testing site in Hackney Marshes. All Hackney sites are by appointment only – please use the web address below to book a test:

<https://hackney.gov.uk/coronavirus-support>

Our thanks to all our parents and carers for keeping your social distance while waiting for your child to come into nursery; we are of course sorry if you are having to wait a few minutes before your child comes into school, but the measures we have in place are to ensure we are all safe as possible. Please continue to adhere to the following times:

Air and Water room children arrive at **8.30am to 8.45pm**

Fire room at **8.45 to 9am**

Afternoon children.

Air and Water arrive at **12.30pm**

Fire room at **12.45pm to 1pm**

Please remember to bring in a water bottle for your child, with their name clearly written on it. Thank you very much for your assistance.

Going to Primary School in September 2021

If your child will be four years of age **by the 31st of August 2021**, you will need to apply for a Primary School place by Friday 15th January 2021. To make an application all parents will need to make an online application on the Hackney Education website:

<https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/primary-how-to-apply?guidebook=188>

We will be holding a zoom meeting **on Monday 12th October @ 10am** to explain the application process. Please email the school office by Friday 2nd October if you would like to attend: admin@wentworth.hackney.sch.uk

Further enhancing social cohesion

We are wanting to hear from our parents and carers about their views as to how we can further develop our engagement with all parents/carers so that we achieve the following:

- Parents/carers feel welcome irrespective of who they are
- Children are flourishing in their learning

We will be holding zoom meetings on **Friday 13th November** at the following times.

- Fire room @ 9.30am
- Air room @ 10am
- Water room @ 10.30am

We would like to have a discussion with parents of how we are doing everything we can to ensure Wentworth is effectively contributing to social cohesion and the learning of all our children.

If you are unable to attend but would like to share your thoughts please email the school on: admin@wentworth.hackney.sch.uk

Holiday play scheme

We are considering running our holiday play scheme over the October half term, from Monday 26th to Friday 30th October.

The sessions are 8.30pm to 3.30pm

Daily cost is £30.00 per child or £20.00 per child if total household income is less than £20K per year.

Please note this provision will only be available to children attending Wentworth Nursery School and unfortunately on this occasion not available to siblings.

If you would like to register your interest please email the children's centre on:
childrenscentre@wentworth.hackney.sch.uk

Rates 8:30am-3:30pm:

- Daily charge £30.00 per child.
- Concessional rate £20 per child for families with total household income less than £20K per year.
- Weekly charge £120 per child, £108 sibling rate applies.

Extended Day provision

Our extended day provision has begun this term; please note this provision is only open to children aged three to five years of age. Children will be able to access the extended day provision once they are fully settled within the nursery. If you are interested in this provision, please see the school office.

Breakfast provision from 8am to 8.30am at a charge of £5.00
Tea provision from 3.30pm to 6pm at a charge of £20.00 per session.

Term Dates

School closed on Friday 23rd October for our INSET day on race and identity.

Half Term - Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October 2020

Last day of term: Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term

INSET days: Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th January 2021

Children return on Wednesday 6th January 2021

Half Term - Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February 2021

End - Thursday 1 April 2021

Summer Term

INSET day Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th April 2021

Children return Wednesday 21st April 2021

Half Term - Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June 2021

Friday 23 July 2021