



# In A Nutshell

Headteacher's Newsletter Summer Term 2020 Week 9

Dear All,

We have had a busy week at school with Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 in for their first full week back. The children have stated how tired they are (as have the staff!). Typically we have not been able to get the children out as much as we would like to due to the rain- what is it about starting back at school and the weather changes so dramatically?

The children are now settled into Pod life and the 'new norm' and are helping other children who are returning to settle in. Mr Boffa and I are sharing my office as a Pod- it is a little cosy!!! Thank you to all the adults who are dropping and collecting children as you have been all following our social distancing rules and drop off and collection times. This is especially important for the safety of the children, staff and yourselves. You would have heard that the Government has changed their minds on other year groups returning but we will continue to keep you posted if anything changes. In the meantime, thank you for your understanding as home learning has been passed to one of the year group teachers whilst the other is managing another classes pod. Things take time to settle into a routine and the teachers who planning home learning have now doubled their work load.

The children have had discussions on Black Lives Matter this week. As a school we firmly believe that every life matters and I have been so proud of their maturity when sharing ideas on such a sensitive topic.

I am pleased to announce that we have successfully recruited a new SENco who is very experienced. Mrs Walker will be joining Hamsey Green in September three days a week. I am sure you will welcome her to the school and she is looking forward to meeting you all.

As lockdown has made it trickier to tour the school for new parents, we have made a virtual tour. This will hopefully be available to view next week.

Stay safe and well!

Mrs Mace