

Haseltine Newsletter 12th March 2021



Dear Parents, Carers, families & Friends,

What a really lovely week it has been this week. It has been absolutely fantastic having all of the children back in school again. They have all come back so happy, so sensible, so ready for learning and so grown up – literally! So many of them have grown so much since the last time we saw them. The teachers have also really enjoyed being back in the school and have loved having their classes back – there is a real buzz in every room which is very exciting to see.

It has also been so lovely seeing all of you back at our gates again. I would like to thank those of you who are remembering to be careful and safe whilst waiting outside & when picking up/dropping off. There are still some people who are blocking our gates and areas of the pavement and this is worrying for two reasons: firstly, because of the lack of space between people and therefore risk of COVID spreading and secondly, because children & families are being forced to walk in the road to get round you. This is totally unacceptable and **everyone** must wait along the wall on the yellow circles or on the other side of the road until your child's year group is called. Please help us to keep all children (and their families) safe.

Take care everyone, stay safe,
Sara Anderman

Haseltine Road Closure:

I contacted Lewisham again recently to enquire whether a start date had been given for the road closure at drop off & pick up times, and also to ask why Haseltine had not been mentioned on the Mayor's email to Lewisham residents as a school where this would be happening. This was the reply I received:

With regard to the School Street, everything is moving forward on this. In fact, some aspects have been implemented already around Haseltine. The Mayor would have mentioned those that are operational now. We are doing schools in batches or tranches. The first tranches are just about ready. Haseltine is in a later tranche along with many other schools. We are working on the signs on the moment and there are what we call some 'build outs' to add in. We're also adding a sign near the industrial estate notifying drivers of the changes to stop the lorries driving past the school.

No actual date has been given, when I know I promise I will let you know. One thing that you will all need to be aware of is there won't be any barriers up when it happens, there will just be signs and number plate recognition followed by fines.

Children Cycling to School

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Any child cycling or scootering to school must wear a helmet please. If a child comes without a helmet we will be calling you to insist that they wear one.
Only children who come by themselves will be able to leave their scooter or bike on the premises under the current restrictions, otherwise they will need to be taken home again.
As with all property left on site, Haseltine is not liable for any property that is broken or lost.
Many thanks

Easter Holidays & other important dates for the rest of this school year 2021

We break up for the Easter holidays on Wednesday 31st March (come to school as usual that day) and then we all return on Monday 19th April.

We have a Bank holiday on Monday 3rd May so no school for children that day.

We will also be closed to children on Thursday 6th May as the school is being used a polling station – we will use this day as our final INSET day.

Half term will be from Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June and then we break up for the summer holidays on Friday 23rd July.

Below are the term dates for next year (2021-22):

Autumn Term 2021:

Wednesday 1st, Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd September: INSET days (no children in school)
Monday 6th September: Children return to school

Monday 25th – Friday 29th October: Half term
(We break up on Friday 22nd October and return on Monday 1st November)

We break up for the Christmas holidays on Friday 17th December and we return on Tuesday 5th January.

Spring Term 2022:

Tuesday 4th January: INSET day (no children in school)
Wednesday 5th January 2022: children return to school

Monday 14th – Friday 18th February: Half term
(We break up on Friday 11th February and children return on Monday 21st February 2022)

We break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term 2022:

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Tuesday 19th April: children return to school

There is a Bank Holiday Monday on the 2nd May 2022 – no school

Possible INSET day: Thursday 5th May 2022 (there are supposed to be local elections on this day and the school will be used a Polling Station)

Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June: Half term
(We break up on Friday 27th May and children return on Monday 6th June 2022)

We break up for the summer holidays on Friday 22nd July 2022

**Have a very lovely weekend everyone, so lovely to have you all back.
Take care, Sara Anderman**