



# New Hinksey CE Primary School

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Dear Year 6 Children and Families

I hope you are all well and getting into the swing of learning at home using Google Classroom. It has been lovely to hear of your efforts and your teachers are often telling me about how each of you is getting on and how much work you are turning in! Keep up the hard work please. I have asked the teachers to follow up with those pupils who are not engaging regularly with the work on Google Classroom. You are expected to be completing the equivalent of around 3 hours of school work a day but it is up to your parents how you fit this in to suit your family and availability of devices.

Don't forget that if you have queries or need help you can contact your class teacher through Google Classroom or by emailing: Miss Potier ([hpot9071@new-hinksey.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:hpot9071@new-hinksey.oxon.sch.uk)) or Ms Christensen ([lchr9699@new-hinksey.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:lchr9699@new-hinksey.oxon.sch.uk)).

**SATS** - You and your parents might have heard from the TV news or from a newspaper, that you won't be having to take any SATs tests this May – ssshhhh I can hear you all shouting with joy! I am sure we are all pleased that you won't have the stress of taking exams and having your progress over the past four years judged in a 45 minute test. However, I do want to remind you that New Hinksey School will still be making teacher assessments and passing on to your secondary schools lots of information about each of you such as your attitude to learning, the effort you put into your schoolwork and how well you are getting on with reading, writing, maths, science and other subjects. So, it is still really important to try hard with your home learning and continue to be good learners when we are able to open fully and you will be back in school again.

**Residential to Woodlands** – This was originally planned for last November but could not take place due to pandemic restrictions. We then planned to move the week to later in the summer term this year. I am sorry to say that we have taken the decision to cancel this for a number of reasons including timing (part of the week we were offered ran into the school holidays), staffing, expense for families, uncertainty over whether the centre would be open and even if it is whether restrictions will hinder and limit what's on offer. I am sure those of you who were keen to go will be disappointed. We will do all that we can to make your last couple of months at primary school special, memorable and happy even if it is different to previous years.

**Parents** – Please do get into the habit of checking the school website each weekend where you will find the weekly newsletter. Thank you.

Wishing you all a happy weekend.

Charlotte Haynes

*Parents are welcome in our school*