

The Wembley Schools Federation Lyon Park Primary School Vincent Road, Wembley, Middlesex, HAO 4HH Executive Headteacher: Mr R Fenton Headteacher: Ms T Bhambra Chair of Governors: Mrs I Yarde

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Welcome Back!

I hope that you and your families are all well and that you have had a restful summer break. We are looking forward to welcoming our children back tomorrow. Please remember that only parents/carers for children in Nursery and Reception will be allowed through the entrance gates at the start of the school day (8:40am). Children in Years 1 - 6 will walk through themselves; there will be school staff stationed to support your child in terms of where to go.

## **Building Work**

A big thank you to Mr Blake, our Caretaker, who has been working throughout the summer break to ensure school is clean and ready for us all to start back. We currently have some building work happening in a small section of the school and therefore there may be some disruption this week. Staff will be present to support children with this.

## Hot Weather

Hot weather is forecasted for this week and therefore we are asking parents/carers to be mindful; children will not need a jumper or coat. Please ensure they bring a bottle of water and a sun hat.

## **Concrete**

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and its use in educational settings. RAAC is a lightweight form of concrete; because it is weaker than regular concrete, concerns have been raised about its long-term durability. Department for Education (DfE) has recently changed its guidance to education settings on the management of RAAC to take a more precautionary approach and as a result, areas in affected spaces will be vacated.

We wanted to inform you that we are not affected by this decision as we do not have RAAC in any of our buildings and therefore they will continue to function as normal. We understand that parents/carers may want to understand more about the support to educational settings to manage RAAC safely. You can read more through the article published by the DfE on the Education Hub. I hope that this offers reassurance.

We look forward to welcoming you all back on your child(ren)'s new journey in their development.

Yours sincerely,

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