



Bulletin from Nishkam School West London - Friday 4th September 2020

Virtue of the week : Excellence & Diligence

Dear Families,

A very warm welcome back to all of you and what a pleasure it has been to see the pupils' smiling faces this week, so happy to see their friends and teachers again and re-engage with their learning. We thank you for trusting us and trusting the new routines and measures we have put in place to keep everyone as safe as possible – our attendance has been superb.

Our virtues this week have been excellence and diligence. Pupils have unquestionably been showing these virtues in their academic work already, but what has been most impressive is their willingness to take on board all the new rules and systems and follow them so diligently both in lessons and around the building.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to our staff, who have done a tremendous job in yet again adapting to a new set of circumstances, which they have done skillfully and selflessly. We are very lucky to have such a positive team.

Key routines for parents

Morning access to the site – Please do not try to access the site before **8am**. Some parents have been walking through the Syon Lane vehicle gate before 8am. We would respectfully ask you to time your arrival so that you reach the gate at 8am or after, at which point the pedestrian gates will open and you will be able to walk through.

Pedestrian one-way system at the Syon Lane entrance - If you are using the Syon Lane entrance, please remember that primary parents use the left-hand pavement to walk in and the main drive to walk out, whilst secondary pupils use the right-hand pavement to walk in and out. Secondary parents are not permitted on site unless they have a pre-arranged appointment. Please also remember to social distance - **remain a minimum of 2m from people in other households**.

Parking - We are aware that many families are new to NSWL, so may not quite be familiar with the rules around parking, pick up and drop off around our site, which are as follows:

- The agreed drop off and pick up / park and stride locations are Tesco car park and Osterley Garden Centre only.
- As per our planning permissions / agreed travel plan with the local authority, there is strictly no parking on our site and no drop off / pick up at the entrance to the school.

All parents please be aware that new cameras have been installed on the A4 slip road near Wood Lane, so any parents who drive down there will receive a £130 fine.

On the whole, parents have been highly respectful of our parking guidelines this week, for which we are very grateful.

All of this said, please, where possible, walk, cycle or scoot into school and if your child is in secondary, send them in unaccompanied. For the health and environmental benefits, we encourage you to do your utmost to avoid using your cars, especially if you live within a one-mile radius of the school.

Library Development

We are excited to announce that over the summer, building works have taken place to install a mezzanine level in our main school library. As you can see in the pictures below, there is a large new space for pupils to use. A phased plan of new stock and library furniture will be rolled out over the next few years to ensure that we have a facility fit for use by all pupils up to the age of 18. We want to say a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who came in and worked on the project at various stages, giving their time and skills selflessly.





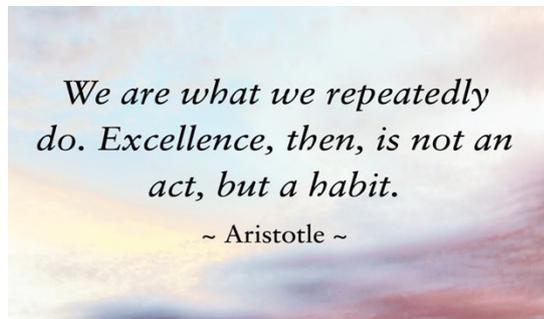
Travel Information

This week we have been contacted by an organisation called the National Schools Partnership, who have kindly provided us with the following information for parents:

To support a safe and sustainable return to school, we are:

- Encouraging walking, cycling or scooting where possible
- Adding more than 230 extra buses as School Services on some of the busiest low frequency routes
- Designating some existing buses as School Services on high frequency routes, which can then operate at full seated capacity in line with Government guidelines
- Asking other customers to avoid busier times

Please note that children aged 11 or over will need to [wear face coverings on our services](#).



Yours sincerely,

Mr T Cragg

Principal, Nishkam School West London

Dear Families

A very warm welcome to you all as we start a new academic year together. It has been wonderful to see so many smiley faces returning after the long break and I just cannot believe how the pupils have grown over the last few months! I know that all the pupils and staff have had a fantastic first week back so thank you for supporting us in ensuring a smooth return to school.

I would like to take this opportunity to also welcome our new families to the school. We look forward to getting to know you and starting our new partnership together.

I am delighted to announce that the Primary Senior Leadership has expanded this year as Mrs Kaur and Miss Plahe step into the role of Assistant Headteacher. This has further strengthened our leadership capacity as we continue our expansion each year. I am very excited about this year and although there are still challenges ahead, I think for now we can celebrate the end of a very successful and positive week.

**"Do not stay in the past,
do not dream of the future,
concentrate on the present moment"**

- Buddha

Wishing you a great weekend.

Best wishes,

S. Rai

Mrs Rai
Head of Primary



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3rd September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the summer break, which has been a most unusual one, we do hope that you have managed to have some kind of a break and are ready for the return back to school. We are aware that for many of our families, the past five months have been an anxious time and incredibly worrying for all.

As we start a new school year it is vital that all our children and young people return to school. This is the right approach we know Coronavirus has not gone away and that we all need to keep ourselves and each other safe. However, our children must not suffer educationally or socially and right now school is the best place for them to be.

Over the summer our Headteachers and their school staff have been working tremendously hard on their plans to welcome back all school-aged children and young people from September, which we are very grateful. All of their hard work and preparations help to ensure a very safe start to the new school year, and we fully support all that our school community have been doing. Schools in the borough have opened successfully over the last two days and it has been heartwarming to see large numbers of children returning, full of excitement and settling into the new routines and expectations quickly.

We know these are still unprecedented times, we are confident in our schools' ability to keep your children safe. We know that you might still be worried. However, schools and our colleagues from Public Health, are monitoring the local Covid-19 situation every day and have robust measures in place should any issues arise.

Can I please remind you not to gather at school gates at key points in the school day as this prevents the smooth and safe transition of children entering and leaving school. We as adults need to model the use of social distancing and following one way systems to our children and young people.



The current levels of confirmed cases in our borough are being tracked daily, our testing levels are high, showing you are being vigilant, and our cases are low. Obviously, things can change quickly. So, it is important that we continue our guard.

You can support your school by following the national guidance, making you're your children understand what they need to do when in school and keeping up to date with the latest local news around Covid-19 by signing up to the Council e-newsletter at: www.hounslow.gov.uk/covid-updates

For further information and advice, parents can view the Council's webpages www.hounslow.gov.uk/back-to-school

Finally, we want to thank all schools, parents and carers for all your support and help over this challenging period. It is important that we continue to work together, remain vigilant and ensure that our children continue with their education.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Tom Bruce
Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services



Pupil of the Week Certificates: 04.09.20

Congratulations to all the pupils who were awarded merit certificates for Pupil of the Week: **Years 1 to 7**

R Compassion:

R Truth:

R Humility:

R Contentment:

1 Compassion: **Gurshaan Marwaha**

1 Truth: **Zion Bugembe**

1 Humility: **Bir Dhatt**

1 Contentment: **Saranjeet Sidhu**

2 Compassion: **Gurnaam Singh Bahra**

2 Truth: **Jeevan Dua**

2 Humility: **Gaavan Sidhu**

2 Contentment: **Jasmine Toor**

3 Truth: **Jodh Randhawa**

3 Compassion: **Ravneet Rehal**

4 Contentment: **Nishaan Gill**

4 Humility: **Gian Marwaha**

5 Compassion: **Satjoat Bindra**

5 Truth: **Avni Ladva**

6 Humility: **Kimran Kular**

6 Contentment: **Meher Gill**

7 Compassion: **Manveer Arora**
Avleen Khatri

7 Truth: **Veer Hans**
Simren Dogra

7 Humility: **Siya Malhi**
Khishmeet Dhawan

7 Contentment: **Chahat Gupta**
Dylan Nakarja

8 Compassion:

8 Truth :

8 Humility:

8 Contentment:

8 Love:

9 Compassion:

9 Truth :

9 Humility:

9 Contentment:

Faith: