



Issue no 1

# WELCOME BACK

First of all, I hope that you and your family are all well. This has certainly been an unusual year to say the least. It has been absolutely wonderful to see the children back at school. We have missed them a great deal and it is evident from the smiling faces that they too have missed their friends and teachers.



We shall be working on four key priorities this year.

### Priority 1

To establish new ways of working post COVID-19

### Priority 2

To continue to develop a curriculum which is rich and engaging and acknowledges the impact of the lockdown and closure of schools for the duration of the summer term

### Priority 3

To continue to focus on all pupils including PP/disadvantaged and vulnerable pupils, in particular where gaps are identified and "catch up" is necessary

### Priority 4

To continue to focus on emotional health and wellbeing for both pupils and staff

### CURRICULUM LAUNCH DAYS



Details are as follows:

- Year 1 - *Lost in the Toy Museum* - Dress up in pyjamas.
- Year 2 - *Can party food be healthy?* - Dress up as a chef, baker or your favourite celebrity chef etc.
- Year 3 - *Where does electricity come from?* - Dress up as anything related to your theme e.g. lightbulb, lightning, an appliance, a scientist.
- Year 4 - *How do we see? How do we hear?* - Dress up as scientist related to your theme
- Year 5 - *What is it made from?* - The key learning will be around materials and their properties. Dress up as a scientist related to your theme.
- Year 6 - *What's out there?* - The key learning will be around outer space. Dress up as a scientist you have researched.

We are really looking forward to seeing the children in their outfits and immersing themselves in their new unit of learning.



Moving Matters P.E sessions started this week. Our coaches this year are Jack (Monday) and Matt (Tuesday-Friday). Our dance teacher Ellie returns next week and will be delivering dance sessions to Year 1 this term. P.E days are as follows:

Monday - Year 4 and Year 1

Tuesday - Year 5

Wednesday - Year 6

Thursday - Year 2

Friday - Year 3

Children need to come to school wearing their Julian's P.E kit and they will stay in this all day.

P.E kit includes:

- A white P.E t-shirt with the Julian's logo
- Blue shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings
- Trainers

### Full School Re Opening Risk Assessment

Please take the time to read our **Full School Re Opening Risk Assessment** which is on the website. We hope that this will answer many of the questions/concerns you may have and we will be reviewing and updating arrangements regularly as things develop. It has not been easy for anyone living in such a period of uncertainty and constant change. However, we have endeavoured to create as safe an environment as possible. I appreciate some parents/carers may still be cautious of their child's return to school and I fully understand those concerns. We will listen to those concerns and work with you to enable your child to have the best educational experiences in as safe a setting as we can provide. Please take the time to look at our risk assessment. I know it's a long document but it may allay some of your worries.

Thank you for dropping and collecting your children for the staggered start and end to the school day and for bearing with us whilst we adjust and tweak arrangements. Please try to arrive at the designated times and to observe social distancing whilst waiting for the start/end of the day. As of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September all adults and children over the age of 11 will be required to wear face coverings when entering the school premises. This is to keep you and our staff safe. We really do understand that for some of you there are big gaps between the times for dropping off siblings. Please contact either Sam, Becky or me if this is an issue for you and we will try to do what we can to help.

We have been made aware of some very strange rumours regarding procedure in school and I thought it would be helpful to clarify some of them. Julian's does not screen children for Covid-19 (or for any other medical reason). As per our Risk Assessment, if a child has symptoms whilst at school then we will telephone their parent/carer to collect them as soon as possible and then the parent/carer can get them tested. We have 10 test kits at the school and we can give parents/carers one of them if this is helpful and then it is up to the parent/carer to get their child tested. We will NOT test/screen your child, as we are not medical practitioners. We will also not be 'keeping' or 'holding on' to any children.

It is very important that anyone who has symptoms does not come to school and is tested as soon as possible. If a child, or a member of staff, shows symptoms and needs a test they will not be permitted to return to school until they have the result of the test. If the test is negative, then the child/adult returns to school. If positive, they remain at home and we contact the relevant services, such as Track and Trace, and they will inform us if we have to close Class or Year Group Bubbles. We know which children have asthma and other illnesses which means they may cough regularly. This is not a 'new, continuous cough', so we will not be sending them home.

For those new parents/ carers to our school we welcome you into our community and look forward to working with you over the years ahead. We would also like to welcome all new staff who have joined us this year.

Even though we are living in unusual times, we are looking forward to an exciting academic year ahead and thank you for your support and patience.

Best wishes

*Alison, Becky and Sam*

### A message from Modinat



On behalf of my family and I, I would like to say thank you to all the parents, pupils (some of whom were friends and classmates) and staff of Julian's.

The loss of Iqbaal left my family and I, in a state of devastation and shock. Whilst it has not been easy, the level of affection, sympathy, and ongoing support that we have been shown in this moment of our grief, has been overwhelming.

We thank you all, for your kind and thoughtful messages, your prayers and condolence visits

Once again thank you all for your amazing support.

Kind regards

Modinat (Iqbaal's mum)



Thank you to the PTFA for their very generous donation which was used to buy brand new playground equipment for the children. This has allowed us to make equipment packs for the bubbles in all year groups at both sites. The children have enjoyed playing with the variety of new equipment at playtime and lunchtime this week.

### School Term Dates



#### Autumn 2020 - Term One

Inset Tuesday 1st September 2020  
Inset Wednesday 2nd September 2020  
Children Start Thursday 3rd September 2020  
End of Term Friday 23rd October 2020

#### Term Two

Children start Monday 2nd November 2020  
End of Term Friday 18th December 2020 (School Closes at 2:00pm)

#### Spring 2021 - Term Three

Inset Monday 4th January 2021  
Children start Tuesday 5th January 2021  
End of term Friday 12th February 2021

#### Term Four

Children Start Monday 22nd February 2021  
End of term Wednesday 31st March 2021 (School Closes at 2:00pm)

#### Summer 2021 - Term Five

Inset Monday 19th April 2021  
Children start Tuesday 20th April 2021  
Last Day of Term Friday 28th May 2021

#### Term Six

Children start Monday 7th June 2021  
Last Day of term Thursday 22nd July 2021 (School Closes at 2:00pm)  
Inset Friday 23rd July 2021

Term Time Bank and Public Holiday – Monday 3rd May 2021 (May Day)