



29 March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy term we have had! The children have all made such a lot of progress and we have had many parents involved in school through families connect, other courses and coffee mornings which is great to see. There were a few things I thought you should be aware of going into the 2 week Easter break.

Ofsted

Ofsted is the organisation that inspects all state school to make sure they are delivering high quality education. As a new school, our inspection will take place in the third year of opening, which is this academic year! So we know that Ofsted will inspect Unity before July this year. When the inspection is taking place, Ofsted inspectors will want to talk to parents to gather your views on school. They will also look at 'parent view' which is a website where you can leave feedback on a school. If you would like to leave feedback on Unity, please visit <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> and click on the 'Give your Views Now' jigsaw piece. Many parents have also written us reviews on our Facebook page which is really useful. www.facebook.com/unitycommunityprimary

Safeguarding

Keeping children safe is a key role for all school staff and the safeguarding of all children is a top priority at Unity. I would like to invite all parents to come to school for a coffee morning on **Tuesday 17th April at 9am** where I will give a briefing of safeguarding at Unity and be available to answer any questions you may have around safeguarding.

Threatening Letters

Sadly, you may be aware there have been a number of media reports around anti-Muslim letters which have been received by some people across the UK. I would like to reassure you that police are investigating this nationwide to minimise the risk of threat as well as trace the perpetrators of this hate crime. Nothing, however, has been reported in Greater Manchester. A number of our children are aware and concerned about these letters as well as threats about 3rd April. This ignorant, threatening behaviour is completely at odds with our values and ethos at Unity and we have tried to not publicise it as we don't want to give weight to this hateful talk. At Unity we value diversity and are a Rights Respecting School and welcome families from all cultures and faiths. To celebrate our diversity, we are planning an International day that will be held on Friday 4th May. More details to follow.

Dates to note

Monday 16th April – Summer term starts – gates open 8.45am

Tuesday 17th April – Safeguarding briefing/coffee morning for all parents 9am in the hall

Thursday 19th April – 9am and 2.45pm Phonics meeting for all Y1 parents and some Y2 parents

Week beginning 23rd April – Parents' evening this week, late night on Wednesday 25th (see class teacher for a time)

Thursday 26th April – SATs meeting for all Y2 parents. 9am in Y5 classroom

Friday 4th May – International Day

Wishing all our families a safe, happy and healthy break and I will see you back at Unity on 16th April.

Mrs J Lee
Headteacher



Unity Community Primary

Term Dates for 2018-19

Below are the term dates at Unity for next academic year. A number of parents have requested these before booking their summer holidays. Good attendance (over 95%) is really important and school can never authorise holidays during term time. If you do take time off during term time you are likely to be fined by the local authority. Please can you book visits abroad during the school holidays.

Term dates and other information can always be found on the school website www.unitycommunityprimary.com

AUTUMN TERM

INSET DAY: Monday 3rd September 2018 – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Term starts: Tuesday 4th September

Term ends: Friday 19th October

Autumn Half-term holiday: Monday 22nd Oct – Friday 26th October

Term starts: Monday 29th October

Term ends: Friday 21st December – **SCHOOL CLOSSES at 1.15PM**

Christmas Holiday: Monday 24th December – Friday 4th January 2019

SPRING TERM

Term starts: Monday 7th January 2019

Term ends: Thursday 14th February

INSET DAY: Friday 15th February – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Half-term holiday: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February

Term starts: Monday 25th February

Term ends: Friday 5th April

Easter Holiday: Monday 8th April – Monday 22nd April

SUMMER TERM

Term starts: Tuesday 23rd April

INSET DAY: Thursday 2nd May – Polling Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 6th May

Term ends: Friday 24th May

Half-term holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Term starts: Monday 3rd June

Term ends: Friday 19th July - **school closes at 1PM**

Summer Holiday: Monday 22nd July - Monday 2nd September 2019