



# HANDSWORTH NEWS

BRANCHING OUT, GROWING TALL  
HAND IN HAND, ONE AND ALL



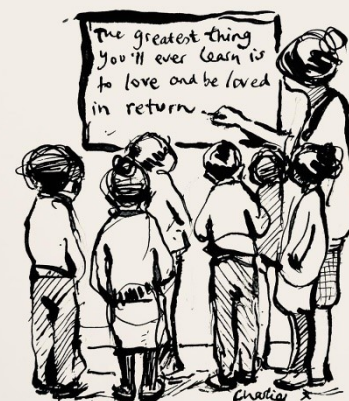
Dear Parents, Carers and Friends.

We have come to the end of the first half of the Summer term, a half term like no other, yet we are here and we are now thinking about what life will be like over the next few weeks and months. You will see I have sent a letter to all parents about the **planned** reopening of school. It is important to note that the government are likely to make an announcement on 28th May as to whether we will be moving to the next phase of easing lockdown. If we are able to open, we will be taking a gradual and phased approach. I understand you may have questions regarding the reopening plans. Remember you can check our Frequently Asked Questions on the news page, these will be updated as new queries arise. However, you are more than welcome to email any questions you have and we will get back to you. Our School Values continue to be at the centre of everything we do and all decisions made here at Handsworth, there is nothing we would like more than to see all our children back in school as soon as possible, we are missing them so much. However, I am not willing to rush this. The wellbeing, health and safety of the whole school community is the most important factor and **will always continue to be**.

Thank you for continuing to support your children with their learning at home, it is always so lovely to see photographs of what the children have been up to. I appreciate it is challenging at times, but please remember we are here to support you in any way we can. If you need extra resources, please get in touch. School is open on Wednesday and Thursday next week if you need anything.

Next week is half term and teachers will not be posting activities on their class pages. Have a lovely week!

Mrs Nairne



*National Thank a  
teacher day*

Thank you to our amazing teachers and support staff! We appreciate you and all you do. Thank you to those parents and carers who had to become school teachers overnight!

Remember you need to give yourself an INSET day every now and then! Be kind to yourself and think about your own wellbeing. You can only do so much. **We are in this together.**





Thank you to Mrs Brown who posted a Boot Camp session for Reception. PE with Harry has also been keeping us fit. It is great to see how everyone is keeping active during this time. Thank you for sharing your photographs. Don't tell Dale, but I enjoyed practicing kick ups in my office this week!



Thank you everyone!





## Investors in Diversity.

Back in the Spring term we asked parents and staff to complete a survey so that we could get a sense of where you think we are now in relation to Fairness, Respect, Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Engagement (FREDIE for short). Thank you to everyone who responded, we appreciate the clear honest feedback which highlights that there is much to celebrate and the areas where there is still work to do. Over the next half term we will be looking at the suggestions you have made and using these to formulate our action plan. In the meantime, please feel free to continue sending any suggestions to us. Especially if you have ideas on other things we can be doing as a school to celebrate the richness of the cultures contained in our school community. We are looking forward to being able to share some new ideas with you in the Autumn term.