

# TOGETHER

## THE ACRE HALL NEWSLETTER



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Please do get in touch if you require any help or would like to tell us something.

### Update

As you will be aware from recent news items, the government has now announced the plan for all children to return, on a full time basis, to their schools in September.

We are pleased a decision has been made and that now we can move forward and welcome all our pupils back to school. We have missed everyone; whilst we have stayed open throughout this crisis, school has been a very unusual place over the last term. Our online learning platform, Seesaw, along with phone calls, Zoom calls etc has helped us to keep in touch with everyone. We know that our pupils, for whom we have not been able to provide school places, have really missed being with their friends and their teachers. We wish to thank our 'Acre Hall Families' for all that they have done to engage with school during this very difficult time. We look forward to seeing everyone in September.

The government guidance regarding measures schools need to take when re opening fully in September, in order to keep everyone as safe as possible, is complex and will take some time to work through. Please follow the link below to see information for parents about the government's plan.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

It will take schools a little time to assimilate all the guidance and organise the return to school for everyone. The main issues to be addressed are around keeping 'class bubbles' separate and how this will fit with break/lunchtime supervision. There are also measures to be taken to ensure the number of persons arriving at school at one time is reduced as much as possible. This might be through slightly phased start and finish times.

We will be addressing these issues over the next few weeks and will publicise our plans before school officially finishes on Thursday 23rd July. We will include the details in a newsletter to be sent out during the final week of term.

We will be sending emails next week ( week beg 6th July), to explain the class organisation throughout school in September. It will also give details of which staff will be in each class. A text message will also be sent to alert you to the email.

The following week ( week beginning 13th July), we will be sending out details of transition arrangement so that children can meet their new teachers—this will be done mainly by Zoom calls. Links will be sent out with the information.

The final week of the school term ( week beginning 20th July), we will be sending out information about 'end of term' Zoom calls so that children can see their current class teacher and say 'goodbye'.

### **Zoom Cafe' and 'Zoom Well Being Drop In Calls' with Mrs Green**

We will be holding a further 'Zoom Café' at 10.00 am on Tuesday 7th July. Mrs Green will email a link to all those who have previously attended but if your child has an EHC plan and you would like to attend, please let the school office know and we will send out the link to you. Miss Moran, from the speech and language therapy service, will also be attending and can answer any questions parents may have about how to support their children with various activities to help speech and communication.

Mrs Green is able to hold individual Zoom 'Well Being Drop In' calls with any parents who may require some support or would just like 'a listening ear'. Please contact the school office if you would like to arrange a call. You do not have to say what it is about.

### **Learning at home**

We are delighted that so many Acre Hall families have embraced our digital platform 'Seesaw' which teachers are using to set home learning tasks. Seesaw was deliberately chosen as it can be used on laptops, tablets or mobile phones. We are happy to help anyone who has not yet set it up and can talk you through this over the phone.

### **Seesaw stars for this week - More stars from more classes next week !**

Mrs Jones's class—Charlie and Naia Mae

Miss Forlani's class—Poppy and Mason

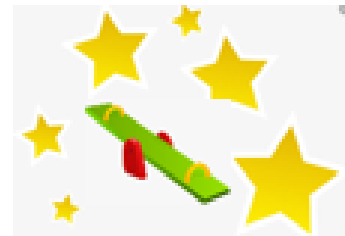
Mr Brierley's class—Finley, Ollie and Lucy

Mrs Yeates/Ms Mackinder's class— Ruby C and Max

Miss Cook's class —James

Miss Atherton's class—Aantoni, Alfie, Alexander and Noah

Special PE star mention for Leah from y6 for her brilliant efforts in sports this week.



### **Trafford SEND newsletter for parents**

Trafford produce a termly newsletter for parents whose children have SEND. The latest edition can be accessed via the link below. It contains useful advice and guidance.

<https://www.trafforddirectory.co.uk/kb5/trafford/fsd/advice.page?id=XKuvOqhI8WU>

### **Trafford Public Health Information**

We have today received information to say that the rate of coronavirus infections in Trafford is continuing in a downward trend and that Trafford now has the lowest number of infections in the Manchester area. This is very good news for everyone.


### **Free School Meal Vouchers**

We are continuing to send these to eligible families and are in the process of organising the vouchers for the holiday period. Iceland have now also joined the scheme and the full list of supermarkets taking part is shown below. If you wish to change the store where your vouchers are allocated to, please let us know as soon as possible. Stores taking part are ;

Aldi, Asda, Company Shop Group, Iceland, including The Food Warehouse Stores, M&S, McColl's, Morrisons, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Waitrose.

## Wednesday 1st July was Trafford's sports day.

This was a 'virtual' event with pupils completing 'Rainbow' challenges then uploading photos to our school Seesaw system and 'tweeting' them to Trafford. We were delighted to see so many of our pupils taking part. The photos below show some of the activities. Thank you to everyone who joined in and sent photographs.



### Flying high

Get Set: 4 PE.

**What you need:** 10 items, 2 pillows or base stations (clouds), a start line and someone to time.

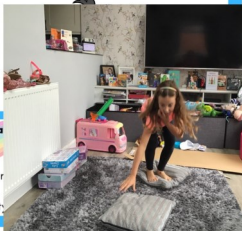
**How to play:**

- Place the items a set distance from the start line.\*See distance listed below.
- The player begins at the start line.
- They can collect one item at a time using only the clouds (pillows or base stations), to cross the sky to the items.
- How many items can they retrieve in a set time?

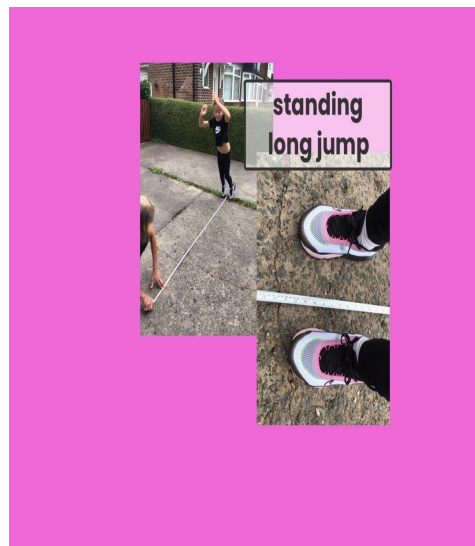
EYFS	KS1	KS2
Place the items 3m away. How many can they retrieve in 5 minutes?	Place the items 5m away. How many can they retrieve in 5 minutes?	Place the items 7m away. How many can they retrieve in 4 minutes?

**The Rainbow Ga Values**

- Determination
- Honesty
- Accountability



Amelia W completed some of the 'rainbow' challenges—well done Amelia.



Noah, Aantoni, Alexander and Alfie all joined in with more of the challenges.



Phin and Mikey J also joined in.

Great work everyone!



# Mental Health and Wellbeing Trafford Sunrise Parent Workshops July 2020

- Are you a parent based in the Trafford area with a child aged 5-12 years?
- Would you like some advice, information, and resources to support your child?
- Do you want to meet other parents facing similar issues?



Our parent workshops aim to help you to support your child regarding anxiety, bullying, behavioural problems and other emotional health and wellbeing topics.

**No booking required! Join our Zoom Webinars for Free!**

You need to be a Trafford Resident to participate in this webinar.

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## Behavioural Difficulties

Monday 13 July

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 740 907 3128

<https://zoom.us/j/7409073128>

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## Managing Change at Home & School

Thursday 23 July

10:00 am – 11:30 am

Zoom Meeting ID: 740 907 3128

<https://zoom.us/j/7409073128>

**You can also see our event details and updates on Facebook and Twitter**



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