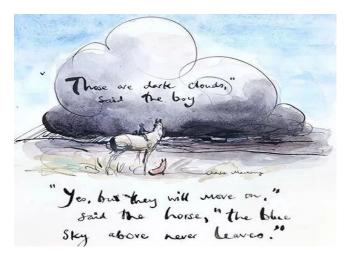


Dear Parent / Carer of a child at Park,

17/12/20

So here we are at the end of the Autumn Term and, as I write, I can't help but be reminded of



this page from the gorgeous book: The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse.

There certainly have been looming dark clouds over us at times but we have managed to find strength in believing/ knowing that the blue sky above never leaves.

As a community, we have pulled together and achieved great things as a result. The greatest of those things has been in ensuring continuous education provision for the children which has

allowed them to feel safe, together and happy in these troubled times.

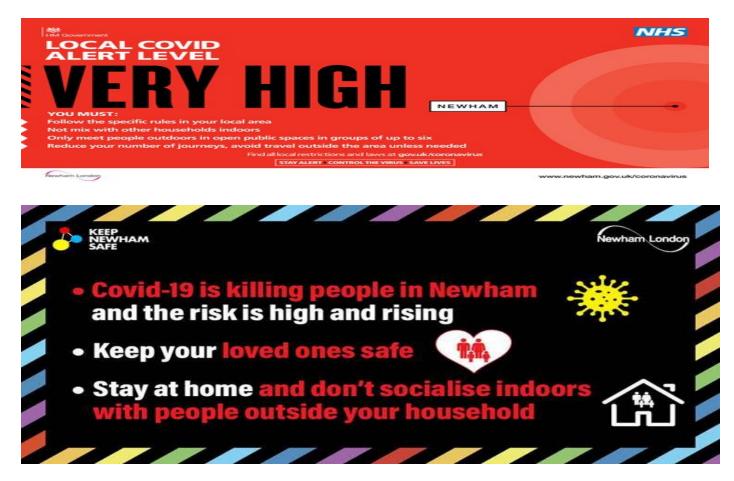
Please may I thank you: children, staff, parents and carers for all of the support and love that has been so consistently obvious. When the clouds have been at their darkest, it has been really motivating to know that we are supported and that, through working together, anything is possible.

<u>Covid Update</u>

Today we have had to send home another bubble and it is certainly apparent that the increase in community cases generally is being reflected at school level.

Please may I remind you that, if your child presents with symptoms at the weekend, it is essential that you take them for a test immediately and let us know the outcome; this is so that, in the instance of a positive case, we can trace contacts and request that they isolate in accordance with Government guidelines. Please email <u>info@park.newham.sch.uk</u> or call: 07514670459

If they present with symptoms after that time, it is still essential to seek a test and isolate but you will not need to let us know. Instead, you will need to trace the contacts yourself for the 48 hours prior to the symptoms becoming apparent. Although you do not need to inform the school if the symptoms are after the weekend, should you need support please feel free to get in touch. There was an additional edition of <u>The Newham London Update</u> this week and we have been asked to share the messages below:



Healthy School Streets

As you may remember, I wrote to you earlier this term stating that, through consultation, we were going to become part of Newham's Healthy School Streets Scheme. I received an email yesterday asking me to share the <u>Parent/ Carer information Poster</u> with you all so here it is!

As you will see, subject to consultation, we will be participating in this scheme from January and we trust that this will improve safety and air quality in the region of the school. With less traffic on the roads children will breathe cleaner air, feel more comfortable crossing the road and will be able to enjoy an active and healthy journey to school. This will apply even if you have to drive to school as you will need to park further away from the building itself and the children will finish their journey to school with a short walk in fresher air. I trust that you can all appreciate that this will significantly increase all aspects of the children's safety close to the school.

Now all that remains to be said is 'I wish you all a fabulous break. Whether you celebrate Christmas or not, I hope that the two weeks are safe, relaxing and family-filled.

I trust that 2021 will bring with it renewed hope of safer and happier times. Please take care of yourself and your loved ones.'

Yours with absolute respect, Natasha Ttoffali

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