



Whitefield

Schools

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been an absolute joy to welcome pupils back to school this week. In the many conversations I have had with staff it is clear that the pupils have settled easily, quickly adjusting to their routines and learning. Staff worked very hard to ensure everything was in place for all pupils on their first day back. It has been wonderful to hear how pleased pupils were to see their teachers, support staff and friends once again. I have been very impressed with the high levels of attendance and would like to thank all our parents and carers for their support.

We recognise that our most vulnerable pupils are not yet able to return to school. We continue to offer supported home learning and hope to see them back with their teachers and friends before too long.

In welcoming pupils back to school, we have been keen to offer them the same exciting and engaging school experience they have come to expect from Whitefield Schools. Whilst we are unable to run our usual trips and outings, we are determined to give our pupils as many new experiences as we can, making the most of opportunities to learn outside as the weather improves.

I am delighted our 'Green Week' Project next week kick starts our involvement in the Eco-Schools programme. Staff have planned some fantastic activities focused around the environment which pupils across Whitefield Schools will be able to enjoy. Each class will receive a set of green activity bags containing activities from sowing herbs in plant pots to building bug hotels. Classes will also be able to take part in special Zoom sessions with live animals, delivered by Coda Falconry and Wild Science. I very much hope we will be able to involve parents in the Eco-Schools programme as and when lockdown restrictions are eased further.

I would like to thank you for your support over the past few challenging months and for helping all pupils return to school so successfully. I look forward to an enjoyable and productive remainder of the Spring Term.

Yours sincerely,

Kirstie Fulthorpe
Chief Executive Officer