



Ark Elvin Academy

14th July 2021

End of Term Trips

Dear parents and carers,

As you will be aware the number of positive Covid cases is rising across the country, here in Brent and sadly within our community at Ark Elvin. Over the last ten days we have had ten positive cases amongst pupils in different year groups and a number of staff cases. As a result, the close contacts of these positive cases are currently self-isolating and are accessing all their lessons on-line through Microsoft teams.

I am very sorry to have to inform you that because of this we have made the difficult decision to cancel our end of term trips next week. The Year 7 and 8 trip to the seaside, the Year 9 overnight camp and the Year 10 trip to Thorpe Park will all have to be cancelled. I know that both staff and pupils will be disappointed about this. Although the trips themselves were all outside and therefore posed a very low Covid risk the travel arrangements are difficult and we cannot maintain social distance on the coaches. As well as this significant numbers of pupils and staff are self-isolating and would miss the trips. In addition, it is now Eid on the day of the trips and many more of our children will be at home celebrating with their family. So as a result, the trips cannot go ahead. All families who have paid for the trips will receive a full reimbursement.

However, in true Elvin style we have a busy and fun filled end to the Summer term. Monday and Tuesday next week will be full school days with children learning in their lessons in school or if self-isolating at home online. On Wednesday we will celebrate our diversity day and combine this with an in-school activities day. This will be a non-school uniform day with children encouraged to wear outfits that represent their own identity - we are excited to celebrate the wonderful diversity of our community. Through the morning each form groups will take part in a number of in-school fun activities and in the afternoon, we will be holding our diversity event in the courtyard. On Thursday all children will be welcomed back to school in full school uniform for our last lessons and our whole school end of year assembly - we would love to invite all parents and carers and children at home self-isolating to join this event on Microsoft teams. More details to follow.

In the meantime, please do stay safe - keep doing your lateral flow tests at home - these are helping us identify positive cases quickly.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to either myself or your child's head of year directly.

Kind regards,

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