



# Newsletter



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Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Holiday Dates

Summer Term Last Day  
16/7/20

First day back: Mon.7/9/20

½ term: Mon.26 – 30/10

School closed: 30/11/20

Christmas last day:  
18/12/20

First day back: 6/1/21

½ term: Mon.15-19/2/21

Easter last day: 1/4/21

First day back: 19/4/21

### FSM

If your circumstances have changed and you may be eligible for **free school meals** please

visit:

<https://www.torbay.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/fsm/>



### Bagels

Unfortunately, in September we will not be able to give out the bagels. Please make sure you have breakfast at home.

**WATCOMBE WANTS**



**TO READ EVERY NIGHT**

**I hope that you and your families are continuing to stay well and keep safe.**

**School in September:** We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone back at school in September for the start of the new school year. Although some children have been able to be in school over the last few months many have not and we are very excited about seeing everyone again and getting back to the learning that the children are so good at. A message (3mins) to the children can be accessed: [https://youtu.be/hjY6WMaN\\_Qs](https://youtu.be/hjY6WMaN_Qs) You will have received letters via email relating to how we will be operating in school and the systems and routines that will be in place to ensure everyone's safety and minimise the risk of transmission. Please take time to read these carefully as they include important, specific information relating to our organisation in line with the government expectations.



There is a new page on the website: <https://www.watcombe-primary.torbay.sch.uk/school-information/covid-19/> that includes all the information that has been sent out for you to reference.

Also, on the website page is the school risk assessment for your information. This has been sent to the Local Authority H & S executive and the Unions for scrutiny. You can also find out how to book a test, if required.

I hope this information is helpful and would welcome any questions you have regarding the school organisation. Please do this via the admin email address: [admin@watcombe-primary.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:admin@watcombe-primary.torbay.sch.uk).

I know that some of the systems that we have to implement in September, such as a one way system, will cause a little inconvenience but ask that this is followed as it is in everyone's best interest. Many thanks for your anticipated support.

**Civic Award: CONGRATULATIONS** to the three Y6 children that have achieved the Torbay Civic Award this year. Despite the lockdown situation, Molly, Naomi and Tomasz all managed to demonstrate a significant amount of achievements against the criteria in their assessments and that they have worked in the 'spirit of the award'. A fantastic effort to achieve this prestigious community award. Well done, you should be very proud!



### Teaching Assistant Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a Teaching assistant in the Early Years phase of the school. This may possibly suit a school leaver thinking of taking up an apprenticeship. Please see the school website for details: <https://www.watcombe-primary.torbay.sch.uk/latest-news/teaching-assistant-vacancy-2/>

### Home Learning

Thank you to everyone how has been accessing the home learning. I know that there has been a range of involvement with the learning that has been sent home - and well done to everyone who has done some. This was really important so that when the children start their new year group in September, they will be best prepared for the expectations. **Please keep reading over the summer!**

**Safeguarding:** If you have any concerns regarding a child's safety over the summer holiday please contact Children Services (01803 208100) or NSPCC:

[www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk) 0808 800 500. **We all have a duty to keep children safe.**



**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER – SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!**