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9th July 2018

Dear Parent / Guardian,

School closes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July and will re-open to pupils on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018.**

### **School Holidays**

The day before the start of the school year (i.e. Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018) is a training and preparation day for teaching staff. In addition, the school will be closed on the following days while teachers are involved in training: **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019.**

### **Safety**

Please consider the safety of our children when coming to and from school. Children should not be left on the yard unsupervised. If no member of the duty team is on the yard when you arrive please stay with your children until someone arrives. When collecting your child, please make sure you are a safe distance away from the exit doors. Please also note: Only children in Years 5 and 6 should be allowed to walk home unaccompanied at the end of the school day. It is parents' responsibility to ensure that children younger than this are collected by an adult.

### **School Meals**

The price of school meals has remained the same since 2009. Following a review in line with neighbouring Authorities and taking into account food cost rises the price of schools meals will rise to **£2.00** per day from **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018.** I am sure you will agree that our healthy, nutritious school meals provide excellent value for money for our children.

### **Data Protection Act 2018 and General Data Protection Regulations**

A new Data Protection Act was introduced this year. Please refer to the Privacy Notice on our website <http://whinneybanks.org.uk/policies/privacy-policy/> for details of how we collect, store, use and share your data safely and securely. We attach a copy for your information.

### **Website and Twitter**

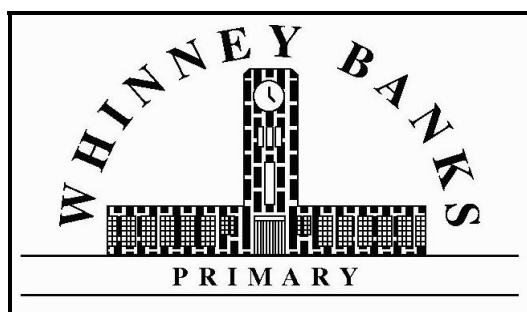
We are continually updating our website. Please take a minute to download our App at [www.whinneybanks.org.uk](http://www.whinneybanks.org.uk). We now have a Twitter feed from our website too, @BanksPrimary. Please visit our website and see the range of experiences and the many different opportunities available to our children.

Thank you for your continued support.

Wishing you all a relaxing summer break and looking forward to seeing you in September.

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Head Teacher

Please see overleaf for school term dates.



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### SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2018 /2019

School re-opens on Tuesday 4th September 2018

#### HALF TERM

School closes Friday 26th October 2018  
School re-opens Monday 5th November 2018

#### CHRISTMAS

School closes Friday 21st December 2018  
School re-opens Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019

#### HALF TERM

School closes Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
School re-opens Monday 25th February 2019

#### EASTER HOLIDAYS

School closes Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
School re-opens Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

#### MAY DAY

Monday 6th May 2019

#### HALF TERM

School closes Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
School re-opens Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019

#### SUMMER

School closes Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

In addition to the holidays shown above there will be two additional days when school will be closed while teachers are involved in training. These will take place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018. (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July are also training days).

