

Melsonby Methodist Primary School

Newsletter

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Summertime Sadness...

The summer term did not pan out as we all thought it would, but I would like to pay tribute to the governors, staff, parents and pupils those at school and at home for your support and efforts during lockdown. Many will have faced challenges and in school, we had to adjust to becoming an online school quickly. Even though we are focussing on a full reopening plans are ongoing to ensure the online learning opportunities in school are strengthened. This will not only be useful for any potential 'second spike' but also for legitimate illness and absence.

Summertime, and the livin' is easy.....

The song is considered a classic and although this summer has been far from easy we should take comfort in her words from the first verse.

One of these mornings you're gonna rise up singing
And you'll spread your wings and you'll take to the sky

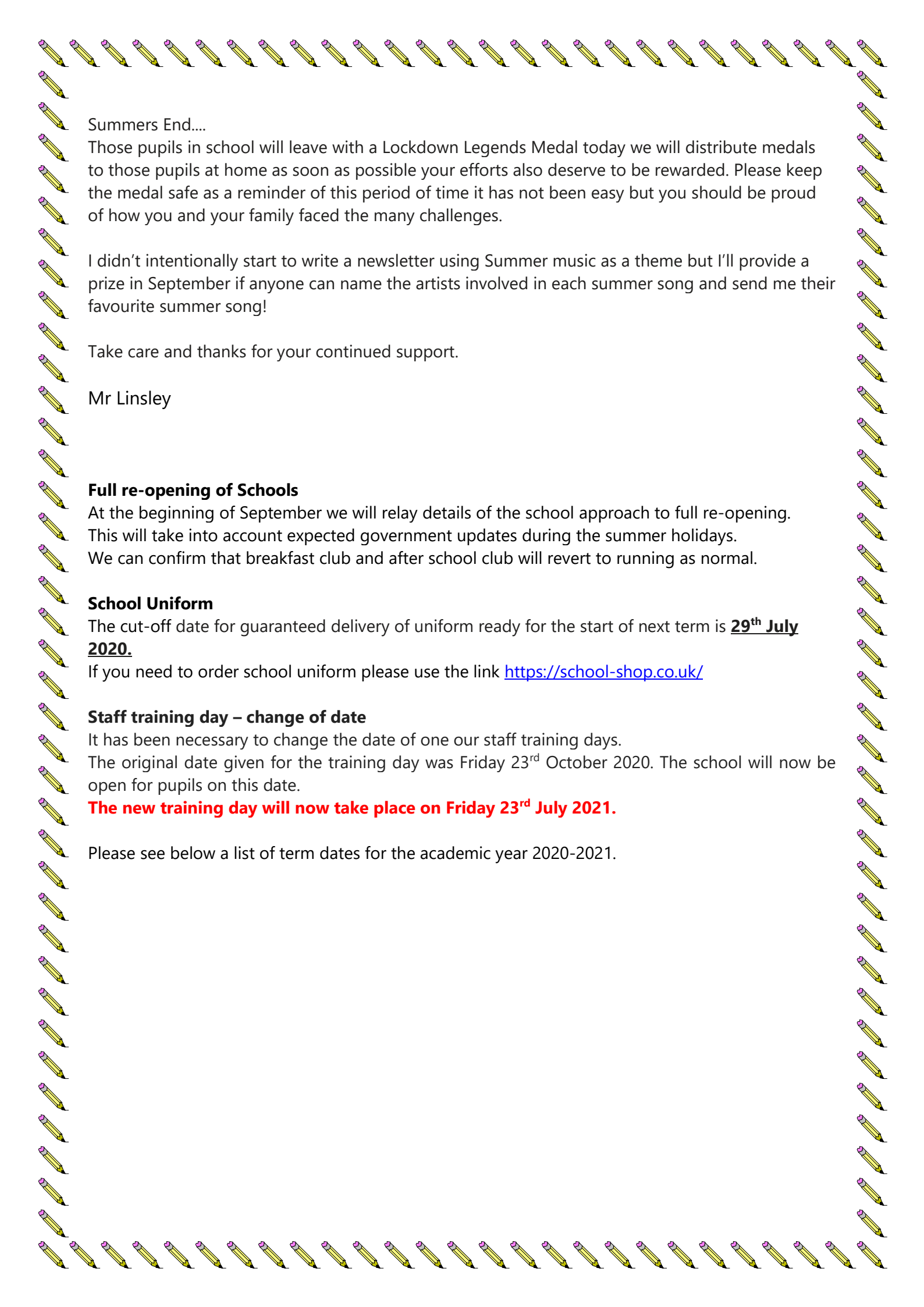
I would like to wish our Y6 pupils all the best as they take flight and move on to pastures new. It may not have been the term they expected, but they have grown and faced adversity with resilience, determination and sense of pride that characterises our school and community. I look forward to hearing about their new experiences when we return in September.

Summertime, time to sit back and unwind...

The summer holiday will bring a chance for us all to reflect and recharge and spend time with our friends and families all be it within a socially acceptable distance and maybe even wearing a mask in some cases. Many key workers may not get the opportunity to take the holidays that they originally had planned. My thanks and appreciation go out to you all as well as a special mention to those in the NHS. Thank You.

Summer Moved On...

At school we are all excited about welcoming you back - it is normal to be anxious and worried many parents and teachers will be too. However we are all in it together and the school TEAM spirit will shine through and support us as we return. Please email teachers/myself or the office if you have any worries or concerns we can help you with...



Summers End...

Those pupils in school will leave with a Lockdown Legends Medal today we will distribute medals to those pupils at home as soon as possible your efforts also deserve to be rewarded. Please keep the medal safe as a reminder of this period of time it has not been easy but you should be proud of how you and your family faced the many challenges.

I didn't intentionally start to write a newsletter using Summer music as a theme but I'll provide a prize in September if anyone can name the artists involved in each summer song and send me their favourite summer song!

Take care and thanks for your continued support.

Mr Linsley

Full re-opening of Schools

At the beginning of September we will relay details of the school approach to full re-opening. This will take into account expected government updates during the summer holidays. We can confirm that breakfast club and after school club will revert to running as normal.

School Uniform

The cut-off date for guaranteed delivery of uniform ready for the start of next term is **29th July 2020.**

If you need to order school uniform please use the link <https://school-shop.co.uk/>

Staff training day – change of date

It has been necessary to change the date of one our staff training days.

The original date given for the training day was Friday 23rd October 2020. The school will now be open for pupils on this date.

The new training day will now take place on Friday 23rd July 2021.

Please see below a list of term dates for the academic year 2020-2021.



Term Dates
Academic Year 2020 – 2021

Updated July 2020 to reflect the change of staff training day

Autumn Term 2020

Tuesday 8 September	School re-opens to pupils
Friday 23 October	School closes for Half Term
Monday 2 November	School re-opens after Half Term
Friday 18 December	End of Term

Spring Term 2021

Tuesday 5 January	School re-opens to pupils
Friday 12 February	School closes for Half Term
Monday 22 February	School re-opens after Half Term
Friday 26 March	End of Term

Summer Term 2021

Tuesday 13 April	School re-opens to pupils
Monday 3 May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 28 May	School closes for Half Term
Monday 7 June	School re-opens after Half Term
Thursday 22 July	End of Term

Staff Training Days

Monday 7 September 2020
Monday 4 January 2021
Monday 12 April 2021
Monday 23 July 2021
Monday 26 July 2021