

To our dear Westwood Family

Well done to all of our Westwood Family! One week of being back at school and our children have been amazing with our new systems and procedures since our return on Monday 7th September! A huge well done to you, our parents and carers, who have been wonderful with all of our morning and home time routines! You are very punctual and this is helping greatly with the organisation of the day. It is also great to see the traffic outside school has reduced considerably. Many of you are making use of the car parks, which are FREE and those who need to park closer, are parking considerately. Thank you for your continued support with this.

I have just a few notices I wish to advise you of and a couple of reminders too:

Breakfast club

Breakfast club and Westies Breakfast Club (for Nursery & Reception) are now open for W/C 21st September bookings on the SchoolComms app. There will not be a separate link; all the bookings are on SchoolComms. Bookings must be made in advance, even if it's the 8.30-9.00 slot. If you don't already have the app please download it, putting in your contact email and telephone number which we have on the school system, this will link you to your child's account. Any problems with this system feel free to contact the office.

Resources

Most of our children are bringing into school the items allowed on the list in the Parent handbook. Can we please keep to what is on the list in the Parent handbook? Some large pencil cases are making their way in and we cannot accommodate this. The children have access to their own resources provided by school. As the weather is warmer this week, sun cream applied and sun hats can be worn too please. Your child should bring in a named bottle of water. We have plenty of water facilities in school to fill up and plenty of bottled water in school too.

Colds / Flu / Covid -19

As cold and flu season is upon us, we have a few children who are absent with colds, sickness bugs etc. I would ask you watch the video that was sent to you last week to give you advice of the symptoms of colds and Covid. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTDbNz-1F3c&feature=youtu.be

We are clear that the symptoms we consider as Covid are:

- A new continuous cough
- High temperature

You will be aware of this from the correspondence we have sent out and the procedure we will activate if your child presents with these symptoms in school. Please re read the parent handbook and the risk assessment to be clear of this. We are here to help but this has been outlined on many occasions with the testing procedures available too. If you, members of your household (including extended household) or your child are presenting with Covid symptoms, please stay at home, book a test online https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/ or though the 119-phone number. Once you have your test results returned, please notify us. Only negative results will allow a return to school. We must keep our school community safe and we will support you if at all possible.

Online learning resources

If your child is poorly or unable to come into school for whatever reason, we can support you with work. If your child is able to complete work from home, they can do so.

If your child is in Juniors, your child has a blended learning book that was sent home with work on a project to complete. From Friday your child can access Study ladder and My Maths. Spellings for all year groups will be available on the class pages from the end of this week. You also can read with your child 4 times a week.

If your child is in Foundation phase, from Friday you will have access to a learning grid on your child's class page and Seesaw. Your class spellings for Year 1 & 2 will also be on the class pages. Your child can read their reading books 3 times for the week too.

There are lots of further resources on Hwb for Blended Learning, if your child has their password. New nursery and pupils new to school may need help with passwords for the online platforms. Please contact the office who can forward your request for password help to the class teachers from Monday 21st September onwards.

Thank you for your continued support. If you need any help or further guidance,

Please email the office.

Mrs Williams and Team Westwood:)