

# SPRING UPDATE 11 – FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021

Welcome back to all our Westwood Family- it has been wonderful to have all of our amazing children back home! We have missed them!

We have a few messages to share with you, including some dates for diary!

Firstly, thank you for supporting our Covid measures. The majority of our Westwood Family are working with us to ensure we are all keeping ourselves safe, following the guidance and our school open. So, we ask you to please refer to the handbook for parents for full details.

It has been very busy around our school since Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March especially at home times and morning drop offs; some parents are coming to school very early and waiting for a long time before they drop off/pick up. We have staggered times to alleviate the volume of parents and children around the site and to decrease any contact. So please can you come as close to your child's pick up / drop off time as possible - keep our school Covid safe and our school open. Thank you.

Another reminder of other key Covid measures include:

- ✓ Wearing a mask on and around the school site- if you are unable to wear a mask, please use your lanyards. We had this organized brilliantly before Christmas. Since our return in February, many parents are not wearing a mask and standing outside, by the wall - this causes congestion problems. Please remember your mask or lanyard and come onto the school site at home time if you are in Bubbles A, B, C & D.
- ✓ Keeping your 2-meter distance and keeping the pavements outside school clear.
- ✓ One adult on site to collect your child/children. Keeping your child close and safe, on and around the site.
- ✓ Parking away and safely from the school site and making use of the car parks.
- ✓ Scoters and bikes are not allowed on the school site for health and safety reasons.
- ✓ Dropping off at your correct times and picking up promptly.

Year groups and Class Teacher	Class	Bubble	Start time	End time	Children Entrance / Exit
Nursery Mrs Ryan Early Entitlement (from 1st March) Mrs Quirk	Class 1	Bubble A 1 & 2	9am	11.30pm	We will Meet and Greet you at the small silver gate.
Reception Mrs Hatton	Class 2	Bubble B	9am	2.45pm	Small gate on the Padeswood Road – Meet & Greet to class door
Reception Mrs Fresa/ Miss Vickers	Class 3	Bubble B	9am	2.45pm	Small gate on the Padeswood Road – Meet & Greet to class door
Year 1 Mr Northall	Class 4	Bubble C	8.50am	2.50pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use front door near car park. Meet & Greet.
Year 2 Mrs Donaghy	Class 5	Bubble C	8.50am	2.50pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use front door near car park. Meet & Greet
Year 3 Miss Davies	Class 6	Bubble D	8.40am	2.40pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use main entrance front door. Meet & Greet
Year 4 Mr Powell	Class 7	Bubble D	8.40am	2.40pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use main entrance front door. Meet & Greet.
Year 4 & 5 Mrs Farrer/Miss Bennett	Class 8	Bubble D	8.40am	2.40pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use main entrance front door. Meet & Greet.
Year 5 & 6 Miss Mattar	Class 9	Bubble E	8.30am	2.30pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use main entrance front door. Meet & Greet.
Year 5 & 6 Mrs Brown	Class 10	Bubble E	8.30am	2.30pm	Small silver gate on Tabernacle Street and children use main entrance front door. Meet & Greet.

## Mrs. Tomlinson Retiring

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March – we say goodbye to Mrs. Angela Tomlinson, who will be retiring after 33 Years loyal and dedicated service to school as part of the Breakfast, Lunch time and Housekeeping team. We know Mrs. T will be missed by the children and parents, many of whom were here when Angela started at Westlea Infants in 1988. I want to say on behalf of all of our Westwood family - Thank you Mrs. T- you have been a wonderful member of our team and you will be greatly missed. Enjoy your retirement – you deserve it!!

### Online Parent's Evenings

We are organizing our **online Parent's evenings for Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021**. This will give your child's teacher to speak with you directly and share information. You will need to book your appointments when they are live on the **School Spider app**. If you haven't already got the app- you can download this on Google play or I-store.



It is vitally important that you have an up to date email address registered at school, so you can access the app and login successfully.

The booking of appointments goes live on the School Spider app **from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March @12pm** and this will be the only way to arrange a parent's evening appointment for children from Nursery to Year 6. Parents' are notified by smartphone message / an email when the parents' evening is available for booking. You can then go to either the School Spider to choose the slots that you want to book for all children. If you have any issues booking online, try logging out and back in!

Due to Covid 19, these appointments will be held over Zoom – once you have confirmed your slot, and the bookings close, your child's class teacher will send you a link to join them online through Zoom for your appointment. Thank you for your support.

### P.T.F.A. Easter events

This week the P.T.F.A. shared a newsletter containing their fundraising for Easter. Easter chicks and baskets are on sale on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> March at £1 each. If your child wishes to purchase a chick, please send in their money on the days they are on sale please.

### Easter Holidays

We break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March and return to school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April. All Covid -19 measures and procedures will remain in place. Please refer to the Parent Handbook.

### School Uniform

From Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April, the children will return in school uniform. If you need help with uniform, there are grants available here: <https://gov.wales/pupil-development-grant-access> and uniform swaps in Flintshire <https://www.facebook.com/Flintshireuniforms/> which may help. If you need any more support with uniform, you can also contact school via email and Mrs. Thomas will help too!

### School Photos

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April we will have individual school photos only. There will not be a 'Welly Wednesday' on the 14<sup>th</sup> April. We will let you know which day this has been moved to next week.

Thank you for your continued support. Stay Safe.