

Friday 16th April 2021

To our Dear Westwood Family,

Welcome back- we hope you have a lovely Easter and it is wonderful to see all the children back in school in their uniforms! They look amazing and they have come back brilliantly. Well done to all of our learners! Thank you too, to our parents for their amazing support of our procedures linked to Covid 19 and expectations in school too. If we can all keep to our staggered bubble times for drop off and pick up, that would be fabulous and it really helps with the organisation and safety of our children and staff. Thanks for your support.

We have a few reminders and some information to share with you!

Parent's Evening Appointments

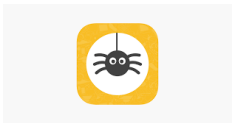
As you know on **Monday 26th April and Tuesday 27th April**, we are holding our Spring Term Parent's Evenings. These appointments will take place **online via Zoom** and you will be able to book a **ten-minute appointment via the School Spider app. The Parent's Evenings will give you an opportunity to** speak to your child's teacher via **Zoom** to share your child's progress in Literacy & Numeracy, discuss I.E.P.'s, share important next steps and how we can work together in partnership in your child's learning journey.

The online system to book your child's appointment is directly through the **School Spider App's booking system**. Therefore, it is vitally important that you have **an up to date email address**, so you can access the app and login successfully as this will be the only way to arrange a parent's evening appointment. You go to the School Spider App 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!

If you need to provide an up to date email address, please call into the office a.s.a.p. as without the school registered email address you provide, you will not be able to book an appointment **so please make sure your email address is correct.**

The bookings for parent's evenings will close on Wednesday 21st April. After this time, your child's class teacher will send you a link for Zoom to attend the appointment you have booked.

Remember: To participate in the Parent's Evenings – you will need to download (if you haven't already):



School Spider app to book the appointment



Zoom to attend the appointment you have booked.

Please download these in preparation and ensure you can access them so your parent's evening experience will be successful.

School Meal Deal

Just a quick reminder that school meals are still available at the discounted price of **£2.00 per day** for the rest of this month. We are going into week 1 of the menu from Monday 19th April. The menu can be found on the school website. All payments for school meals can be made through the schoolcomms app. Thanks 😊

Healthy Schools; Healthy Life!

To help us to have a healthy mind, a healthy body plays an important role. We would like to take the opportunity to share with our Westwood Family that we are a **Healthy School**. We have been awarded 4 phases of the Healthy Schools Award and are working towards phase 5. The award is Welsh Assembly Government accredited and the purpose of the award is to ensure that health promotion becomes an integrated part of the school curriculum, the organisation and the ethos of the school.

A healthy school is a happy school. An effective school is a healthy school. At Westwood we promote physical, mental and emotional health and well being. Also, we hope the work carried out will enable our school to improve both the quality of teaching and learning and to enhance relationships between the school, its pupils, parents, staff, governors and external agencies. In line with the new curriculum, we are also currently updating our Food and Fitness policy, within a new policy for school under a new title of 'Health and Wellbeing'.

The children will have input into this important policy through the work of the pupil cabinet and their classroom voice, alongside their important P.S.E. work into the rights of the [UN Convention On The Rights Of The Child](#).

Food brought into school

At this time, we encourage our children to bring their own healthy snack; please ensure this has their name on. We also encourage **healthy food choices** to be brought in as part of pupils' packed lunches.

If you need some new ideas for a healthy lunch box, please see the links below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-02/healthy-lunchboxes-leaflet.pdf>

We would also like to remind you that **Westwood is a nut free school**. Please be aware when packing lunches.

Pupil's are advised to bring a named water bottle to school on a daily basis. This helps them to concentrate throughout the day. We will also provide the children water throughout the school day. Diolch :)

P.T.F.A. Easter Fundraising

Thank you for your support with our fundraising efforts this year. The sale of the Treasure hunt maps and the Easter chicks brought in £201.30. The winners of the Treasure hunt will be announced next week by our P.T.F.A. Thank you again for supporting our P.T.F.A.

Stay safe our Westwood family- enjoy your weekend!

Mrs. Williams and Team Westwood 😊

