



Dear Westwood Family,

Thank you for your patience regarding our planning for a return to school for the **Foundation Phase Pupils** after the half term on **Tuesday 23rd February**; Flintshire County Council have made this statement, as below as a reminder.

“At the current time, Flintshire schools are being directed to prepare for the reopening of face to face provision for Foundation Phase pupils from 22nd February onwards. This is in line with the Welsh Government decision to bring some learners back into schools whilst other lockdown restrictions remain in place.

The Council carefully monitors the incidence rate and test positivity rate daily, and expects both to continue to fall steadily over the coming weeks. However, should the public health situation become a cause for concern ahead of 22nd February then the decision to reopen schools for Foundation Phase pupils will be reviewed.”

Our plan for partial reopening is as follows:

Monday 22nd February: Staff training day - moved from Tuesday 13th July.

No pupils, including key workers nor extremely vulnerable identified children will be on site that day, agreed by **all Buckley and Mynydd Isa Primaries**.

The full return of **Foundation Phase Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & 2 on Tuesday 23rd February - normal bubble times and wearing your own clothes. Key Workers and Extremely Vulnerable Children only in Key stage 2 to attend on Tuesday 23rd February as their current arrangement.**

Early Entitlement children will be invited to attend Westwood on the afternoons of Wednesday 24th February and Thursday 25th February, with a full offer of mornings from Monday 1st March – Monday to Thursday. More details of this will follow from the Foundation Phase Team.

Year groups and Class Teacher	Class	Bubble	Start time	End time	Children Entrance / Exit
Nursery Mrs Ryan Early Entitlement (from 1 st March) Mrs Quirk	Class 1	Bubble A	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	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

A full detailed parent ‘Return to School’ Handbook that is attached with the organisation and logistics of our planned return. Please read this carefully-thank you 😊

KS2 pupils – Year 3 to Year 6

Ideally, we would love to be inviting back our pupils in KS2 as understandably it has also been a challenging period for those children in Years 3 to 6, their parents and staff at school.

Unfortunately, whilst we would welcome the return of all children in our Westwood family, we must continue to act on the advice of Welsh Government and FCC who have announced that a further period of home-schooling, for older pupils in all primary schools in Wales, is necessary beyond 22nd February. We are desperately sad about this but are hopeful of a full return soon, as long as infection rates fall successfully. We will continue to offer you our full support!

Stay safe and stay positive!

Mrs Williams & Team Westwood 😊