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Friday Note

, 19th November 2021

Dear Parents

Covid in School

We'd like to reassure parents with any concerns regarding Covid infections in the school. We are in daily contact with Public Health and are following their advice. Currently that is enhanced cleaning in the school and we are fortunate to have a 'fogging' machine that we use at least once a day in all



classrooms. We are actively promoting good infection prevention control (ventilation, touchpoint cleaning) as much as possible.

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Events open to parents later this term, such as nativities are being

reviewed and will make a more informed decision nearer the time.

I'm sure you will all agree it is a very fine balance in trying to keep schooling as normal as possible for the children after such a disruptive 18 months. Isolating whole year groups for a period of time at home is now the very last resort, as this also impacts on parents and their work, plus it has been shown time and time again how unsatisfactory remote learning is, despite the best efforts of teaching staff. If specific year groups become affected we will keep them as separate as we can from the other year groups inside the school buildings. We are stopping 'whole school' assemblies for the time being.

If unwell, stay at home until symptom free. Where Individuals test negative for COVID-19, and they have had a fever, they should still wait until 24 hours post fever to go back into a setting. Colds and other non-Covid symptoms are circulating but in the first instance new persistent coughs and high temperatures should be treated as possible COVID-19 and trigger isolation and testing. This is the case even if others in the setting/group have tested negative for similar symptoms. Should a child be off school with Covid and they do not feel well enough to access any home learning, then we do not expect them to undertake any work. As with all infections some children are affected more than others. Those who may be just asymptomatic do have the option of remote learning.

All of our measures are also in line with other trust primary schools and our overall levels of infection are actually slightly lower than most. This is reviewed on a daily basis.

Children In Need

So lovely to see the school full of spots and Pudsey wear today! Thanks to your generous donations we have raised £304.06. Thankyou #teamwestfield

New Role

Mrs Baker has acquired a new role of Office Manager. There is currently a vacancy for a school Receptionist.



Anti-Bullying Week 2021: One Kind Word

Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated In England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance and took place this week with the theme, 'One Kind Word'. It began with Odd Socks Day which is supported by CBBC and CBeebies star Andy Day and his band Andy and the Odd Socks to celebrate how unique we all are as individuals. Our Monday afternoon assembly focussed on the theme and children were asked to think of kind comments about themselves and others. Respect is one of our school values and we are always encouraging our children to be respectful to their friends, the staff and to themselves.

Panto

#teamWestfield are excited to announce that we have booked a travelling theatre company to perform Sleeping Beauty at school in December. The company will perform to our whole school over two afternoons-December 1st and 2nd. This is a paid for event costing £1.50 per child, the item is on ParentPay, if you would like your child to be included please could you pay for this by next Friday.

Nativities

Nativities will be held, Covid permitting, the week of the 6^{th} December.

Reception Wed 8th 2.00pm Thurs 9th 9.00am Year 1 Tues 7th 2.00pm Wed 8th 9.00am Year 2 Thurs 9th 2.00pm Fri 10th 9.00am



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Reading Raffle

Key Stage 1 Winners 75% Badger

Key Stage 2 Winners 79% Monkey

Help your child with home reading

Please can you make sure that you hear your child read their school reading book at least 4 days each week. This needs to be recorded in their reading record book. At KS1 we ask parents and carers to fill out the comments, whereas in KS2, the children should be recording what they have read and writing a comment. Both reading books and reading record books need to be in school EVERY DAY!

Diary Dates

December

| Tues 14 | Christmas Service |
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| Fri 17 | Break up for Christmas |

January

| Tues 4 | Inset Day |
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| Wed 5 | Inset Day |
| Thurs 6 | Pupils return to school |
| Mon 17 | Flu Vaccinations |

February

| Mon 21 – Fri 25 | Half Term |
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| Mon 28 | Pupils return to school |

March

| Mon 7 | Parents Evening |
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| Thurs 10 | Parents Evening |

April

| Tues 5 | Easter Service |
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| Fri 8 | Break up fro Easter |
| Mon 25 | Pupils return to school |

May

Wed 4 – Fri 6 Year 4 Camp Mon 9 – Fri 13 SATS week

Mon 30 – Fri 3

Half Term

June

| Mon 6 | Pupils return to school |
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| Thurs 30 | Sports Day |
| Fri 1 | Sports Day |
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July

| Fri 1 | Westfield School is 100 years old |
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| Thur 21 | Schools out for Summer |

