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Friday Note
7th January 2022

Dear Parents

Happy New Year!

I would however like to reiterate Alun Williams' message that for a couple of our families, the Christmas period has been exceptionally heart breaking due to the bereavement of family members. On behalf of the Westfield community, all of our thoughts are with the families during this incredibly sad and difficult time.

And as posted yesterday it was lovely to see everybody back after the Christmas Break with smiling faces. It will be important to offer the same routines and degree of normality this term, in spite of the new wave of Coronavirus sweeping across the country and if there is one important message we have learnt through this continuing pandemic, then that is the fact that children need to be in school and home learning is no substitute for face to face teaching.

In order to help us keep infection rates as low as possible please can I ask all adults to again wear face masks when entering the school grounds. This is especially important at the end of the day when social distancing is more difficult to maintain. We also have a clear one way system that needs to be followed to prevent adults passing each other along the narrow pathway in front of our Reception classes.

We are also doing as much as we can in the school with more frequent cleaning during the day and all classrooms are 'fogged' in the evenings.

Fingers crossed we will 'ride out' this current storm and I fully appreciate your continued support in this matter.



Baby News

Congratulations to the Sage family who had a welcome addition over the Christmas holidays. Baby Harry was born on December 19th weighing 7lb 14oz.

Flu Vacs

Reminder that our flu vaccinations are happening in school on January 17th. If you haven't yet signed up and you'd like your child to have it please follow the link that was sent on WEDUC.

Squirrel Class

Squirrel have a new teacher to replace Mrs Ainslie who will shortly be going on Maternity leave. We welcome Miss Handley to #teamwestfield

Reading Raffle

Key Stage 1

Winners 72% Badger

Key Stage 2

Winners 92% 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!

Swimming

We have had to make a few changes to our swimming timetable this term. From next week swimming afternoons will be as follows:

Tuesday: Year 6

Wednesday: Year 4

Thursday: Year 1

Friday: Year 2

We really appreciate the support that many of you provide with swimming. Please let us know if you can still continue to help in Year 1 and Year 2 on the new days. If you can only help on the original days your help will still be appreciated in the other year group.

Reading

In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 we now teach phonics following a scheme called Little Wandle. Ideally we would like to invite all parents in these year groups to come along to a meeting but this is not possible at the moment. There is an important letter coming home with your child today to provide you with further information but please come and talk to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Diary Dates

January

Mon 17 Flu Vaccinations

February

Mon 21 – Fri 25 Half Term

Mon 28 Pupils return to school

March

Mon 7 Parents Evening

Thurs 10 Parents Evening

April

Tues 5 Easter Service

Fri 8 Break up for 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

Thurs 30 Sports Day

Fri 1 Sports Day

July

Fri 1 Westfield School is 100 years old

Thur 21 Schools out for Summer

Community News

Slimming World Taste The Freedom - Tuesdays at 9.30am, Thursdays at 5.30pm & 7.00pm & Fridays at 9.30am.

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