

Newsletter December 2020

Head of School Update

Wow! What a term we have had. After recent announcements that we are in Tier 3, as a school we will continue to ensure that all hygiene measures and restrictions are followed and adhered to at all times to maintain a high standard of safety for your child whilst they are in school.

Many thanks to you all for wearing masks at morning drop offs and after school pick ups. It is very much appreciated.

We will continue to follow all Government guidance, but also guidance from our academy trust when this is necessary. Any changes to provision will be passed onto yourselves via email when we know of any.

Please ensure that you check your emails on a regular basis as this is the fastest and most efficient way to communicate with everyone.

School Transport

If your child travels on school transport, please ensure that they always adhere to the Covid regulations and wear a face mask whilst travelling.

School Dinners

If your child requires a hot school meal, please place your order with Willoughby Foods by midnight on the Tuesday of the week before you require them.

Reception 2021

If you have a child that would be starting Reception in September 2021 you can apply for a place from 16th November. Please go online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions to make your application. Applications close 12 noon on 15th January 2021.

From all the staff at Weston St Mary school -



School Closures due to weather or emergencies

The decision to close the school is never taken lightly. We appreciate that many pupils live within walking distance of the school but we also have to take account of where our staff live and their ability to travel to and from school safely in order to ensure the safety of our pupils. Once the decision has been taken to close the school, the information will be broadcast on local radio.

- Lincs FM (FM (VHF) 102.2 megahertz or www.lincsfm.co.uk)
- BBC Radio Lincolnshire FM(VHF) 94.9/MW 1368 kilohertz/219m or www.bbc.co.uk/lincolnshire
- www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures
- www.weston-st-mary.co.uk

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER -

Friday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 15th December - Virtual Panto and PJ Day - details to follow shortly
Wednesday 16th December - Christingle making Day
Thursday 17th December - Christmas Dinner Day - If you haven't booked your Christmas dinner yet book it through Willoughby Foods before Monday 7th December.

Updating Changes

If your child has a change in medical circumstances, please notify the school office so that we can keep our records up to date and ensure that all staff are aware of each child's conditions.

It is also important that parents keep the school updated of changes in contact details, especially mobile phone numbers, so that we are able to make contact with you in an emergency.

Term Dates

Term 2:

Monday 2nd November 2020 to Thursday 17th December 2020

Term 3:

Monday 4th January 2021 to Friday 12th February 2021

Term 4:

Monday 22nd February 2021 to Wednesday 31st March 2021

Term 5:

Monday 19th April 2021 to Friday 28th May 2021

Term 6:

Monday 7th June 2021 to Wednesday 21st July 2021

Clothing

Outdoor Learning:

Warm Trousers and Jumper
Outdoor Shoes/Wellingtons
Socks
Waterproof Coat
Waterproof Trousers if possible

PE:

Blue t-shirt
Black shorts
Plimsolls
Winter/outdoor PE kit should consist of tracksuit/jogging bottoms with a non-hooded sweat shirt for safety reasons.

Please ensure your child always comes to school in a warm outdoor coat that is labelled with their name.

Special Needs Support

The school's SENCO is Mrs Z Halden who works between different schools. If you have any concerns, please email the office and these will be passed on.

Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of the work with children and young adults so will keep this reminder in all of our newsletters. Please remember that safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. If we are concerned about the safety of any child, we should let somebody know. The designated safeguarding officer is Mrs Flack, with Mrs Z Halden the deputy safeguarding officer.