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Who's who



The Senior Leadership team here at Weston Mill Community Primary Academy consists of Mrs Rachel Dinnis (Head of School) and Mr Simon Wilkins (Assistant Head of School). We have worked together for over 9 years now in many different capacities and aim to support our families and children through their time with us at Weston Mill. We are also the designated safeguarding leads for the school.

Our aim has always been to be in the playground to ensure we are present on children arriving at school, and this provides us with opportunities to engage with parents when needed. As a wider team, and with the new COVID plans in place, we are also supported with other adults around our school entrances, to make sure that messages that need to get from you to our team are delivered.

Together, as a school team, we hope to support any questions, concerns or worries that you might have, and ask that if you are unable to catch one of us to speak to, that you email in to the school admin address (westonmill.reception@discoverymat.co.uk) and one of us can follow it up.

Thank you.

SAFETY FOR OUR CHILDREN

PLEASE NOTE..

We are asking for your support when collecting your child/ren and driving a car/van. Please can we ask that you **do not** park on double lines, or park at the entrance to the car park at the front of the school, in front of the barrier. We are very mindful that the flow of children coming in and out of the school, from the front and back is very busy and I would hate there to be an accident that could have been avoided. This will allow all our children to leave the school safely.

Many thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to send our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs McIntyre in Snowdrop class who had her baby daughter last night.

Mr Wilkins will be covering her class together with Mrs Wye whilst she is on maternity leave.



PE

This week our timetable for PE started and below is a reminder of the days when each class has their outdoor slot. Please can we ask, regardless of the weather, that all children follow this plan, as it is part of the National curriculum and for all children to participate in. Again, following communication with parents, PE kit can be either black or navy blue, and plain. Trainers or plimsols can be worn, but again must be plain (no bright colours or huge soles/logos. PE Kit must be worn on the day to school. Thank you.

| Class | Teacher | PE day |
|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| Snowdrop | Miss Wye & Mr Wilkins | Friday |
| Daisy | Mrs Batten | Friday |
| Bluebell | Mr Kombostiotis | Thursday |
| Buttercup | Mrs Field | Friday |
| Violet | Miss Carpenter | Friday |
| Dandelion | Mrs Abbott | Thursday |
| Poppy | Mrs Blakeston/Mrs Brian | Tuesday |
| Primrose | Miss Aquilina | Friday |
| Teasel | Mr Mann | Tuesday |
| Cornflower | Mrs Butson/Mrs Wieprecht | Wednesday |
| Honeysuckle | Mrs Wallace | Monday |

FLU VACCINATIONS - ELECTRONIC CONSENT

Remember to book your child's on-line flu vaccination:-

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devon>

If you have any difficulties with completing the consent form please contact the Immunisation Team on our Single Point of access (SPA)

Telephone : 0300 247 0082

Email :

vcl.immunisations@nhs.net



DOGS

Please could we remind all parents that dogs are not permitted on to the school site.



This currently includes the front of the school (car park), where some children are entering and exiting the school building at the beginning and end of the day.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

Our Family Support Advisor, Claire, would like to offer parents/carers time to talk. Whilst your child is at school we can offer Zoom or phone calls.

You may just want to just chat or to receive some advice. If you would like to arrange a time to talk please email: c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk or call 01752 365250.



Important Dates



2020/2021

26/10/20 - 30/10/20 Half Term

27/11/20 - Non Pupil Day

18/12/20 - Last Day of Term

21/12/20 - 1/01/21 Christmas Holiday

4/01/21 - School Opens 8.45am

15/02/21 - 19/02/21 Half Term

2/04/21 - 16/04/21 Easter Holidays

3/05/21 - May Bank Holiday

31/05/21 - 4/06/21 Half Term

23/07/21 - School finishes 3.00pm

26/07/21 - 03/09/21 Summer Holidays

BREAKFAST CLUB BOOKING

REMINDER

If you would like your child to attend our Breakfast club there is a new booking system on ParentPay.



Please log onto ParentPay and select the Breakfast Club option. **Please select the booking option first, this will allow you to enter the days that you want to book and then make your payment.** You will be able to book the whole term in advance.

It is not currently our intention to limit breakfast club numbers as based upon last year we would be able to provide a safe environment for all of the children who wish to attend. Any queries please contact the office.



CAKES REMINDER



Due to current Covid guidelines can we please remind parents not to send any cake or sweets into school to celebrate your child's birthday at the moment.

Thank you for your understanding.

SCHOOL COATS

Could you please ensure your children have their coats in school each day as the



weather is still very changeable. Please make sure they are clearly marked with your child's name .

Thank you.

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL CHOICE



Please be reminded that it is that time of year for Year 6 children to make their choice for secondary schools.

The deadline for Admissions is 31st October 2020.

Please use the following link for further information.

www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions

PARENTPAY

All letters and emails from school are sent out via ParentPay.

Can you please make sure you have activated your child's ParentPay account in order to receive this information.

If you need an activation letter or any help with ParentPay please contact the office on 365250.

Thank you

