

Weston Mill Community Primary Academy



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Dear Parents and carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding about the changes made to the start of this school year. I sincerely apologise for the late notice however we find ourselves in a complex situation which develops at a rapid pace.

School times and entrances

The school is open to children of key workers and vulnerable children from Tuesday 5th January. The school times will remain the same, with children entering and exiting by the following

Nursery and Foundation children (Nursery child – your allocated time/ Foundation 8.45am – 3pm) – the blue gate to foundation play area

Any Year 1 child (9am – 3.15pm) – in through the back gate and in the entrance nearest the dinner hall

Any Year 2 child (9am – 3.15pm) – in through the back gate and in the entrance nearest the dinner hall

Any Year 3 child (8.45am - 3pm) - in through their normal blue doors at the front of the school

Any Year 4 child (9am – 3.15pm) – in through their normal blue doors at the front of the school

Any Year 5 child (8.45am – 3pm) – in through the back gate and through the doors near the Year 1 classrooms

Any Year 6 child (8.45am - 3pm) – in through the back gate and through your doors at the end of the building.

Breakfast Club

This will run as normal for children in school from 8.00am-8.45am, please make sure that you book and pay in advance on ParentPay.

School Dinners

Children in school will be able to order a hot school dinner as normal. If your child is not in school and you are in receipt of benefits for Free School Meals for your child, a separate letter has been sent out to parents so that a food hamper can be requested if required.

Remote Learning

Learning is available from tomorrow on eschools for all children. A timetable is set up on the homework tab of eSchools for your child's learning for that week. This learning mirrors the learning taking place in school. We will also be live streaming some teaching sessions through Microsoft Teams. These teaching sessions will then be saved on Teams so that your child can access them at a later date if required.

Your child will be getting a message on eschools from their class teacher today with their login for Mircosoft teams. Your child will be invited to these sessions via Teams. There will be an input and follow up tasks for reading/phonics, English, Maths and theme work for each day. The teacher will be responsible for setting and marking work and is the best person to contact via eschools if you have a query or a question about your child's learning or access to eschools. Teams and eSchools can be accessed by the links below or apps downloaded from Google play store or the Appstore.

eSchools weblink: https://www.westonmill.plymouth.sch.uk/web

Microsoft teams: https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/log-in

Reception Children

Children in reception will have access to recorded sessions around their learning which will then have follow up activities linked to this. They will be shared via Tapestry for the children to access. If you do not have access to Tapestry, please contact the office via phone or email with your email address ready to gain this access.

We will keep you informed of any further developments via your ParentPay email account and all communications will also be saved on the school website. Please ensure that if you have not activated your parent pay account, this is essential for you to do asap. This is essential for contact from the school to parents, via email, and does not cost anything.

Once again, I apologise for the changes made to the start of this term. Our Pastoral Team will continue to support children and families throughout this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Dinnis Head of School