

Woodside Matters

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Covid-19 arrangements: We would like to say a big THANK YOU to parents for being so patient and understanding with all the rules and regulations that schools have to follow. We are responding to feedback from parents about congestion on the yard, so collection time arrangements from Monday 9th Oct 2020 are as follows to make sure that everyone is super-safe and feels comfortable on our site:

- All parents/carers will be required to wear masks when coming on to the school yard and through the reception gate when collecting at the end of the day.
- Parents of Y3-6 children who have siblings in pre-school, reception or Y1 or Y2 (who come out at 3:10pm), please arrive for the 3:10 collection rather than coming for 3pm then having to wait. This is so that the yard is less congested for parents who just collect at 3pm.

From Tuesday 10th Oct, at collection time, Y3/4 and Y5/6 parents will be following signs that will direct you to either side of the hut to wait behind a roped off area; the children will be lined up on the yard ready for collection. Please keep your child close to you when you have collected and leave promptly to free up space for other parents.

It is recommended that parent wear masks when dropping off outside the gates if not able to socially distance, at your discretion.

Thank you all so much for your co-operation as it has such a positive impact on the day-to-day running of the school.

Governance:

Our Governing Body work hard to support the school and are currently reviewing school policies on your behalf. If you have comments about the personal and health education letter sent out recently, please contact the school so that your views can be reflected in that policy. Thank you to Ms Horton-Bussey for standing as a parent governor again.

Hot school lunches will be available after half term; the menu is on the app and website.

Wellbeing

School's 'Five Ways To Wellbeing' work is proving so important and is closely linked to our Make Me A Superhero work on resilience. We are looking forward to celebrating this term's wellbeing focus on resilience with our **dress as a superhero day on Weds 21st Oct**.

The Five Ways to Wellbeing are: Keep Learning Connect Take notice Give Be Active

Give: This links to the NHS' slogan of 'Stay Safe, Be Kind' which we have on our newsletters. **Giving** can be something as simple as giving a smile or showing an act of kindness. As a head's up, next term's wellbeing focus will be on 'One Act of Kindness'.

Be Active:

Knowing the positive impact that being active has on our physical and mental wellbeing, we have arranged extra 'active' sessions for the children, which will be starting next week. We are using our sports premium for these sessions, as it is unlikely that swimming sessions will be possible.

Dormice and Fallow Deer children will be having yoga sessions on Wednesdays. Caroline Rickards from CLR fitness will be leading those sessions. Children do not need to be in PE kit for yoga sessions, however Fallow Deer's PE day will change to a Thursday to accommodate this extra session and therefore they need to wear PE kit on Thursday. Apologies for this change, but it is to accommodate something lovely!

KS2 children will have an extra hour of Prostars activities with Mr Wilkins on a Wednesday afternoon. KS2 children will therefore need to come to school in their PE kit on Wednesdays, too.

Please contact us with any queries. Stay safe, be kind!

