

# **NEWSLETTER** 23/10/20

# COVID-19 UPDATE

Altogether there have now been seven positive covid-19 cases connected to school: four cases in the Y5 bubble – two pupils and two staff; one case in the Y3 bubble – one pupil; one case with one member of kitchen staff; one pupil case in Year 2. All these pupils and staff are fine.
 The home page on the school website <u>www.west-street.org</u> contains information for Year 2 and Year 3 parents about self-isolation and information for the parents of all other year groups who are not self-isolating at the moment.

In order to monitor any further covid-19 cases related to school during half-term, we have set up a specific email <u>covid@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk</u> We are asking parents and staff to contact us on this email address when they or a member of their household has had a covid-19 test, then to report the test results. This information will only be shared with Miss. Watson and Mrs. Duerden. It will help us to make sure all is safe for year groups to return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

All parents will receive a text on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November to confirm that school will be open to all pupils except Year 2.

# Year 2 will return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November following the end of their self-isolation period.

Thank you so much for your on-going communication and support – this is very much appreciated as it keeps us informed and therefore able to make the best decisions for the children in our care.

# Lancashire is now in Tier 3 – very high

No household mixing indoors or outdoors, in hospitality venues or private gardens

Rule of six applies in outdoor public spaces like parks Pubs and bars not serving meals will be closed Guidance against travelling in or out of the area

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# To book a test, visit <u>www.gov.uk/get-</u> <u>coronavirus-test</u> OR call 119

Year R	Congratulations to our Learners of the Week for WORKING HARD You have earned 10 dojos!			
	Texas-Rose	Ali		
Year I	India	Nicola		
Year 2	Taylor	Lottie		
Year 3	Ruby	Sienna		
Year 4	Marian	Porsha		
Year 5	All of Year 5			
Year 6	Conner	Hussain		

#### Welcome back Year 5!

We are delighted to welcome Year 5 back to school today. Mrs. Duerden and Year 5 have spent today celebrating being back together and sharing their home learning. It is fantastic to hear that Year 5 have been so engaged with their home learning and wonderful to see their amazing models of the solar system.

Well done to the children and parents in Year 2 and Year 3 who are self-isolating.
 Mr. Filder is extremely proud of Year 3 and all the amazing work they have been doing at home. He loved catching up with some of the children on zoom and cannot wait to see them all after half term.
 Year 3 /Mr. Filder's class are due to return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Miss. Milner is really proud of how hard the Year 2 children have been working so far at home! She is particularly impressed with the children's work on minibeasts - a big well done to everyone! Year 2 /Miss. Milner's class are due to return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

Both Year 2 and Year 3 children are continuing to receive dojos for their home learning and Learner of the Week awards in the same way as they do at school.

Well done to all the other children and staff in school who are doing a great job of focusing on their learning while dealing with the changes this week.

# Achieving GOLD!

This week we have shared our first GOLD WINNERS.

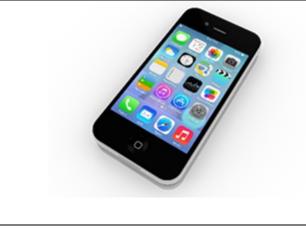
When children achieve GOLD, they receive a special certificate and have their photograph taken proudly holding this.

Photographs of the GOLD WINNERS will be put in to the

BOOK OF OUTSTANDING GOLD LEARNERS kept in each building.

A copy of this photograph will be emailed home to share with parents.

Watch out for the GOLD WINNER texts!



The school office is open from 8.30am.

Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am. A member of staff will phone you back when necessary. Hot school meal plan for next week Children will still have packed lunches on the days when their year group is **not** having hot school meals – these will either be provided at school or brought in from home.

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Week starting Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Year group	Year I	Year I	Year 2	Year 2	Year I	
bubbles	Year 3	Year 4	Year 3	Year 4	Year 3	
	Year 5	Year 6	Year 5	Year 6	Year 5	
Menu choices	pasta OR sausage & mash		potato pie OR cheese whirl		pizza OR fish	

Every Friday, the table above showing which year group bubbles are having lunch in the hall and the menu choices will be shared in the school newsletter. This will be sent home every Friday as well as being published on both the school website and facebook page.

Hot school meals for Reception will start from Mon 9<sup>th</sup> November when our usual kitchen team will be back in school.

# **APPLY!**

at <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</u> for **Year 7 secondary school places** in September 2021

You must apply if your child is in **Year 6 now**. You must apply even when an older brother or sister is already at the school.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

# CLOSING DATE: Sat 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020

Only I week left!

# **APPLY NOW!**

at <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</u> for **Reception primary school places** in September 2021

You must apply if your child has a 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between I September 2020 and 31 August 2021. You must apply even when an older brother or sister is already at the school. Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

# CLOSING DATE: Friday 15th January 2021

## Nursery provision changes after October half-term

Starting from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, after October half term, these will be the changes to our nursery provision.

### Morning session

Doors will open at **8.30am** and children will need to be collected by **11.30am**.

### <u>Lunch</u>

**11.30am – 12pm** this is for children accessing the 30 hours; a packed lunch will be provided by our school cook at the cost of £2.30 a day.

### Afternoon session

Doors will open at **12pm** and children are to be collected by **3pm**.

These changes will allow us to offer free 30 hours to the children who are eligible.

Please contact Miss. Ingham at <a href="mailto:gingham@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk">gingham@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk</a> to book places.

# Virtual Halloween Competition

Pendleside Hospice are running a "Virtual Halloween Competition" which is an online activity, where children can carve their pumpkins, get dressed up or make a spooky decoration and then upload photos on to the Hospice's website. Each entry costs £1.
Pendleside Hospice Ambassador and BBC Radio I presenter, Jordan North, will be judging the competition - the winner of each category will win a cauldron of treats! To take part parents can register on www.pendleside.org.uk/halloween



School finished for October half-term today and will re-open from 8.45am on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November