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Spring 2

28th January 2022

Friday 11.02.22	Shakespeare Re-wired Workshops - KS2 pupils - in school
Friday 18.02.22	Break-up for half-term
Monday 28.02.22	Return to school
Monday 28.02.22	Parents' Evening - more information to follow
Tuesday 01.03.22	Y4 Bikeability
09.03.22 - 16.03.22	Book Fair in school
Thursday 10.03.22	Y2 to Black Country Living Museum
Friday 11.03.22	Y4 to Cadbury World
Tuesday 15.03.22	Y4 Bikeability
Friday 18.03.22	Comic Relief - more information to follow
Friday 01.04.22	Inset Day - school closed to all pupils
Friday 08.04.22	Break-up for Easter Break
Monday 25.04.22	Return to school

Dear Parents,

We have been informed by Public Health that there is a high prevalence of COVID cases amongst 5 to 10 year olds. This is what we have seen at Wood End too. There have been several cases of COVID 19 within the school over the past few days. We thank all families who have supported us in this time by providing information quickly and by following testing advice and requests.

Parent workshops have been held via TEAMS for families in EYFS to support in the development in children's oracy skills. Thank you to all parents who attended, we hope that you found these helpful. We are planning to hold a further workshop soon to encourage children's physical development in EYFS and also to develop rapid maths skills in Y1 to Y6. Please look out for further information in the next few weeks.

Miss Sharma

REMINDER : please ensure that all children's lunchboxes and water bottles are named. Thank you

We have received the following from the NSPCC. Online gaming plays an important part in many children and young people's lives. It provides them with entertainment, opportunities to learn new skills and allows them to stay connected with their friends. But just like with other online platforms, there can be risks involved.

This Safer Internet Day (8th February) we're challenging you to host an online games night. This is to help you get to know your child's favourite platforms, and open up the conversation around how you can support your child to help keep them safe.

To help make the conversation simpler, we've created an activity that has some topics you might want to discuss.

We have attached the NSPCC GAME activity sheet to help get you started.

Half term food provision

Wolverhampton Council is again offering support with food provision over the February half term holiday to all families who are entitled to income related free school meals. Those families eligible should have received an email with information on how to apply. If you would like to check if you are eligible or would like further information on what support is available to you if you are not eligible for this scheme, please speak to school staff.

Covid Update If any member of your household has received a positive Covid test, all other household members (including children) will need to do a lateral flow test every day for 7 days. If they receive negative test results they may come into school, if it is a positive result, they must not attend school and you must notify school as soon as possible.

If your child has any of these 3 coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, even if mild, please book a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test for them as soon as possible:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- Loss of or change to their sense of smell or taste

They will need to isolate until negative result of PCR test is received.

If children present with symptoms at school you will be contacted to collect them and arrange a PCR test before they can return. (it is essential that we have up to date contact numbers in the event of an emergency)

IN ADDITION, DUE TO HIGH CASE LEVELS IN THE CITY, THE PUBLIC HEALTH TEAM HAVE ADVISED SCHOOLS....

that any pupil unwell enough not to attend school for any illness (even if not a typical Covid symptom) also accesses a Covid test or not attend school for 48 hours after symptoms stop.

Host an online games night



Whether it's Fortnite or FIFA, talking to your child about what they're doing online is an important tool in helping to keep them safe. Having an activity to do together can be a good way to get it started!

Hosting an online games night with your child is a great way to get to know their favourite game and talk about ways you support them online. Use our **GAME** acronym to help get you started:

Find a time



Choose a game



Get chatting



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G **Get to know the platform** by challenging your child to a game on their favourite platform. Create your own account and explore the game yourself. This will help you understand the different tools and settings available and what your child sees and experiences.

A **Ask open questions** to give your child an opportunity to talk about why they enjoy gaming and show you what they already know about online safety. Here are some questions you could ask them:

- What's your favourite game to play online?
- If you could change one thing about gaming, what would it be?
- How do you speak to some of your friends online?
- What's your favourite feature?
- Is there anything that's not so great about this game or any other games you play?

M **Master the basics together** and explore how to report and block other players on the platform, how you can leave a game and ways to safely set up group play. Remind them they can come to you if they see anything that upsets or worries them.

E **Explore privacy and safety settings** and decide which ones are appropriate to use. You might want to look at the platform or gaming provider's websites for more information on what's available.

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