

Westacre Infant School



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Important Reminders for the start of schooling from Monday 8th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know, it was confirmed on Monday 22nd February 2021, that we are opening to all of the children on **Monday 8th March 2021**. We are really looking forward to seeing the children again but it is essential that we remain vigilant and collectively continue to adhere to our existing control measures. With this in my mind, I believe it is imperative that you remind yourselves of the protective measures we have in and around school.

All adults that are accessing the school site need to wear a mask unless they are exempt.

All adults must adhere to social distancing whilst on the school premises and leave the school site as soon as safely possible. Parents and Carers should not be gathering in groups within the school premises.

To help reduce the amount of adults on the school site at any time, we are asking that only one adult drops off and collects your children.

All children and adults must use the one-way system around the school premises. You need to ensure your children stay with you at all times and do not mix with other children. The children are not allowed to run on the grass and around the cars. (If you have pushchairs you may use the front entrance of the school)

The children do not need to bring a bag into school unless they have a packed lunch box or bag.

Breakfast Club and Tea Time Club will be available.

All adults must adhere to the following arrival and departure times unless you have other children in the school or at Uplands Junior School. Older siblings in school will take your youngest children to their classrooms once they are in the building. The gate will be opened at 8:45 a.m. and 3:05 p.m.

Nursery a.m. arrive at 8:45 and depart at 11:45
Nursery p.m. to arrive at 12:30 and depart at 3:30
Reception arrive at 9:05 and depart at 3:10
Year 1 arrive at 8:55 and depart at 3:20
Year 2 arrive at 8:45 and depart at 3:30

The children do not need to wear their uniforms on the days they have PE. We will let you know the days in due course.

You should not be sending your children to school if they display any of the following symptoms:

Main symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

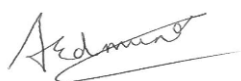
If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
- You and anyone you live with should stay at home and isolate for 10 days and not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.
- Anyone in your support bubble should also stay at home if you have been in close contact with them since your symptoms started or during the 48 hours before they started.

You must inform the school if your children develop symptoms and you are isolating and/or arranging a test. You also need to inform us of the outcome of any tests taken.

We will ensure that the school building is well ventilated and the children follow a consistent regime of hand washing. We are doing really well in school regarding cases and we want that to continue. We have collectively made this possible and I have a duty of care for my colleagues as well as the children. Staff have been instructed by myself not to engage in lengthy conversations with parents and carers at the beginning and the end of the school day. This is to ensure we limit the contact between adults on the school premises.

Thank you in advance for your continued supported and as ever, if you have any queries, concerns or you need anything, you know where I am.



Mr Aidan Edmunds

Headteacher