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Supporting a Safe and Happy Return for All

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this week's bulletin finds you all keeping safe and well.

The children have looked fantastic today in their spotty Children in Need attire. Thank you for your very kind donations; we are unable to count the money just yet as it will need to be in quarantine until after the weekend. We will let you know how much has been raised to support this very worthy cause next week.

The year 6 children will be enjoying another non-uniform day next Wednesday (18th November) when they come to school dressed in period clothing to support their learning around World War II. I am sure it will be a wonderful experience and we will share photos of the day with you as soon as we are able.

Thank you again for your continued support in and around the school site at drop off and pick up. You are all wearing masks, distancing well – especially at the pinch point areas around the entrances – and are leaving the site as soon as possible. It is much appreciated.

It is with sadness that we will not be able to perform a Christmas production this year or welcome you into school for our annual Carol concert. However, we are determined to ensure that Christmas is still celebrated in school and so we have organised for a theatre company to visit to perform Peter Pan to all of the children. There will be 4 separate performances for each of the year groups and there will be cleaning in-between performances to minimise risk. More information will be sent to you nearer the time.

Christmas parties will also still go ahead, in separate year groups, and again, further information will be sent out to you all via email in the coming weeks.

Finally, please continue to inform the school immediately if any member of your household develops symptoms, receives a positive test result or is self-isolating. It is very important that any pupil who has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive self isolates for 14 days. You can leave a voice message on the school's answering service at any time 01159534707 or email the school office – office@westdalejuniors.co.uk. Again, this can be done at any time.

Best wishes to you all,
Mr Slater

October Half Term Free School Meals



Free school meals



We are providing free school meals for **22,000** children this half term so that no child goes hungry in Nottinghamshire.

This week Westdale Junior School received funding from Nottinghamshire County Council to retrospectively fund Free School Meals for the 2 week October half term (19.10.20 – 01.11.20)

Eligible pupils will receive support of £15 each week, in the form of Aldi supermarket vouchers that will be issued next week. If you require vouchers for a different supermarket please let the school office know by 5pm Monday November 16th.

We are also aware of the Government's announcement of the Covid Winter Grant Scheme but currently do not know how this will be made available, we will update parents/carers as soon as we have further information.



Be on time & line up in the correct place



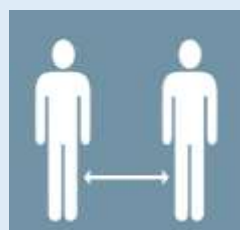
Bring your own water-bottle each day



Follow our hygiene expectations



No school if there are ANY symptoms in your home or you have been told to self-isolate



Be Smart – Stay Apart



Parents/Carers please wear a face covering on the school site, including the playground