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Report a positive test result if symptoms occur within 48hrs of Friday 12th February by email to: covid@westdalejuniors.co.uk

Dear Parents/Carers,

We reach the end of the first half of the spring term today and will break for half term next week. It has been great to see the children, both at home and at school, engaging in a wide variety of learning activities and we are all very proud of their achievements in very difficult circumstances. They all certainly deserve a well-earned break. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, both teaching and non-teaching, for their dedication and commitment and for doing their absolute all to provide the best possible education for the children. In the circumstances, I feel they have done a remarkable job.

Thankyou to those of you who have already completed the parental questionnaire regarding remote learning. If you haven't, it would be hugely appreciated if you could take a few minutes to complete the form. Your feedback is vital for us to continue to improve. You can access the questionnaire simply by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LuLr9FO180SIVj4NhJCOuFSDhHDn0-9KsrMge7lch39UREYzMFFBQlpMTVBSSklGWUYzTIM5NUZGNy4u>

After half term, we will not be using Seesaw at all as a platform for children to upload work. Instead, your child/ren will be able to upload their work onto Microsoft Teams, via the Assignment function. You will see a step by step guide to doing this further in the newsletter. Please do get in touch after the break though, if you have any difficulties with the Assignment tool.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thankyou to you all for your continued support. I know how difficult it has been in recent times but I do remain hopeful that we will be returning to a little bit of normality on March 8th when, fingers crossed, we will be able to welcome all of the children back into school. Please do enjoy a restful and relaxing break with your family.

For those of you who have children registered to attend after half term, please remember that Monday 22nd February is an INSET day and school will re-open to children with parents who are critical workers and vulnerable children on Tuesday 23rd February.

Take care and best wishes to you all.

Mr R Slater

Free School Meal Vouchers

Nottinghamshire County Council have confirmed that they will fund supermarket vouchers for February half term out of the Government's COVID Winter Fund. These vouchers have been distributed by school today, to eligible families, in the usual manner.

Year 6 Art

As shown last week, as part of Children's Mental Health Awareness week Year 6 have been working on some mindfulness colouring. Each small picture has made up the large picture now, and here it is, doesn't it look fantastic! Well Done Year 6 (did any of you guess it was a lion?)



Contact Tracing over the Half Term

Contacting the School about COVID-19 during the Half-Term Holiday

We sincerely hope that all families have a healthy and COVID-19-free break. However, we recommend all parents and carers are aware of the following information and relevant arrangements regarding positive cases in the holidays:

- Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school **should not** be contacted. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.
- Up to and including Thursday 18th February, if a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), **having developed symptoms on either Saturday 13th February or Sunday 14th February**, please report the case to school. Using the following email address:

covid@westdalejuniors.co.uk

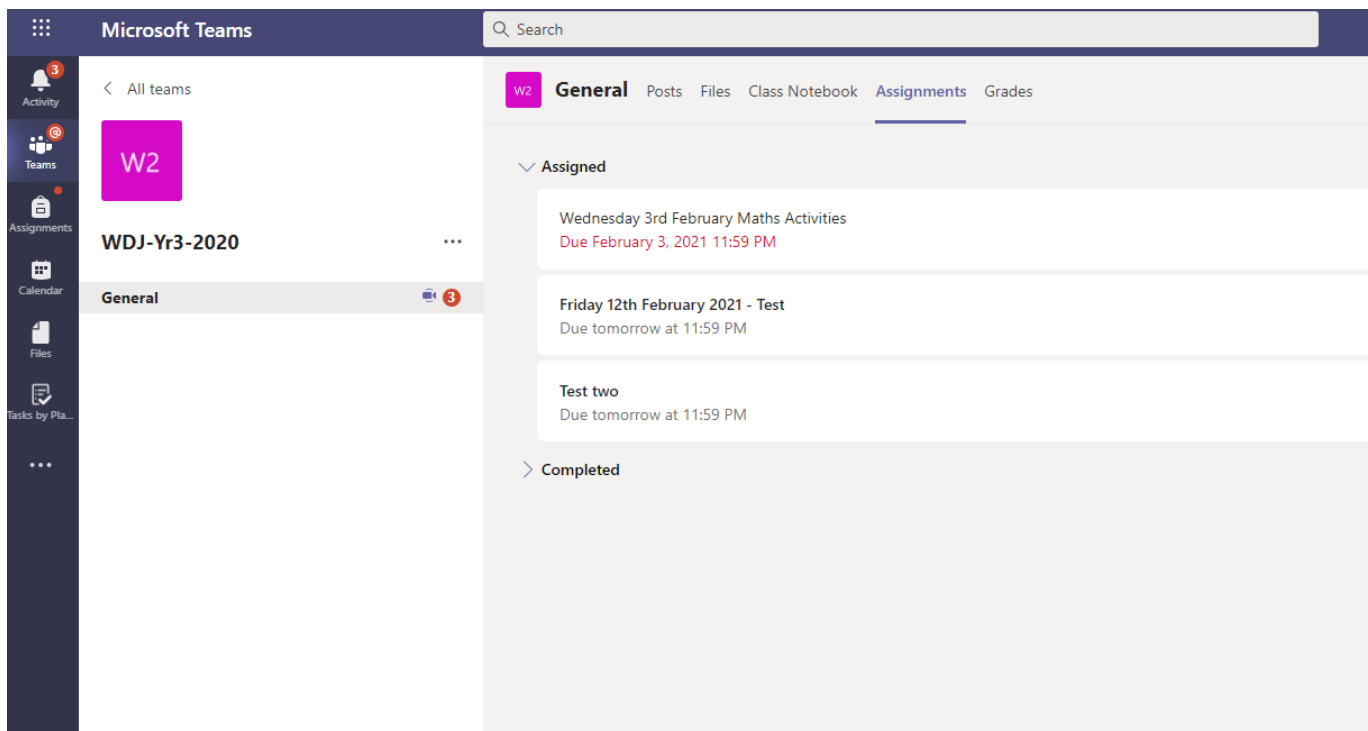
Correspondence to this email address will be monitored daily. The school will assist Public Health England and the Department for Education in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE SCHOOL ANSWERING SERVICE
OR USE THE OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS**

Turn in an assignment in Microsoft Teams

To turn in an assignment, select its assignment card. Depending on the status of your assignment, you may be turning your work in on time, late, or submitting revised work.

1. Navigate to the **General** channel in the desired classroom, then select **Assignments**. You can also use your search bar to search for an assignment by keyword.
2. Your **Assigned** work will show in order of due date. Select any assignment card to open it and view the assignment's details.



Tip: Select the Expansion icon (diagonal, double sided arrow) to work in full-screen mode.

3. If your teacher specified a document for you to turn in or you have other files to attach to this assignment, select **+Add**

work and upload your file.

Note: You can add up to 10 additional resources to an assignment. 500mb is the maximum file size for a resource.

Tip: Work on Office files associated with this assignment right from here—no need to leave the app. Older files with .doc, .xls, and .ppt file extensions can only be edited in the desktop versions of those apps. You can copy content into a new file created in Teams to make them editable again.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Teams assignment interface. At the top left is a blue '< Back' button. At the top right is a purple 'Turn in' button. The main title is 'Wednesday 3rd February Maths Activities' in bold black text, with the due date 'Due February 3, 2021 11:59 PM' below it. To the right of the title, it says 'Points No points'. Under the 'Instructions' section, there is a paragraph: 'Please click on the link below to access the video for your white rose maths lesson.' Below this are two blue hyperlinks: 'Year 3 Pounds and Pence' and 'Year 2 Divide by 5'. The 'Reference materials' section contains four items, each in a light grey box with a PDF icon, the filename, and a three-dot menu icon: 'Pounds-and-pence-Wednesday.pdf', 'Wednesday answers 1.pdf', 'Wednesday answers.pdf', and 'Divide by 5 Wednesday.pdf'. At the bottom left, under 'My work', there is a blue link 'Add work' with a plus icon.

Select the **Turn in** button to turn in an assignment before its deadline. The button will change depending on the status:

- **Turn in again** if you're editing an assignment you've already turned in and need to submit work again.

- **Turn in late** if you're turning in your assignment after the due date, but your teacher has allowed late turn-ins or asked for a revision.
- **Not turned in** if the assignment is past due and your teacher is no longer accepting turn-ins. You cannot turn in work.
- **Undo turn in** if you decide you want to edit your assignment before the due date. You'll need to turn it in again after you make your edits.

NB: If you want to take a picture of your work and hand it in this way then you can do so either by taking a picture on your phone and uploading it to teams using a teams app on your phone, or by taking a picture using your laptop camera and uploading it that way. If you need any help please do email your teacher of the office.