

05/02/21



**DON'T FORGET
MONDAY FEBRUARY
22nd IS AN INSET DAY**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all ok and keeping safe.

This week we have moved all the planning for the remote learning onto Microsoft Teams, which has meant that we no longer need to use the school website as an additional platform. We hope this has made accessing the planning easier for you all. After half term, we will be hoping to enable children to upload work onto Microsoft Teams as well, using the Assignment tool. This will mean that everything is then located on just the one platform. More information will follow about this next week.

Next week will also be the last week of this half of term. We will therefore be breaking up for the half term holiday next Friday 12th February.

Please may I take this opportunity to also remind you all that Monday 22nd February is an INSET day, when all the staff will be receiving essential safeguarding training. Therefore, school will re-open to the children of critical workers and vulnerable children on Tuesday 23rd February.

We are always keen to gauge the views of you all and welcome feedback. It is essential for us to reflect and improve things. Therefore, I would be extremely grateful if you could find a few minutes to complete a short parental questionnaire about remote learning. The link to the Microsoft Forms questionnaire can be found by accessing the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=LuLr9FO180SIVj4NhJCOuFSDhHDn0-9KsrMge7Ich39UREYzMFFBQlpMTVBSSkiGWUYzTIM5NUZGNy4u>

With very best wishes to you all for a pleasant and relaxing weekend.

Rob Slater

February Half Term w/c 15.02.21

Schools will close as usual over the February half term and are not expected to remain open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers that week.

Our leadership team plays an important role in contact tracing for those pupils and staff who are still attending school and will continue to do so through the half term holiday. If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus within 48hrs of attending school and subsequently tests positive please report this via our dedicated Covid19 email address:

covid@westdalejuniors.co.uk

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 will be distributed by school, to eligible families, in the usual manner.

Year 6 Art

As part of Children's Mental Health Awareness week Year 6 have been working on some mindfulness colouring. Each small picture will make up a large picture when completed. The children do not yet know what this will be, can you guess?

