

Monday 09 November 2020

Dear parents and carers

Following the children's return to school after October half term and the recently announced national lockdown, I wanted to contact you with a few updates and to thank you for your ongoing support.

As always, if you would like to discuss anything please don't hesitate to contact me via admin@woodside.shropshire.sch.uk or by phone 01691 652446.

Kind regards

Claire Bennett
Headteacher

REMOTE LEARNING – Covid-related absence

In the event that your child has to self-isolate, or their year group bubble is closed, we have a remote learning system in place. This includes an interactive timetable which gives your child the equivalent learning time remotely. Staff are available for advice and feedback throughout your child's absence. If your child is unable to attend school due to Covid (self or household) you will receive detailed information and work by email.

Parent consultations

As we are unable to allow visitors, including parents/carers into the school buildings, teachers are producing a brief report on your child's progress so far. You will receive this report week beginning 16 November 2020.

Cold weather

Children must continue to wear school uniform but we will allow children to wear gilets/bodywarmers as an extra layer in the classroom. In the event of snow and/or ice this year, there is more chance that we will have to close the school as clearing the playgrounds and one-way system may prove difficult. We will keep you updated on this.



Remembrance and Children In Need



As is traditional at Woodside, we will be marking Remembrance Day this Wednesday with 2 minutes silence and an assembly. On Friday, we will be holding Children In Need events within year group bubbles. Both Remembrance and Children In Need help us to teach our children British values and our school values. By participating in these events, we can convey what being a good member of our community entails; thinking of others less fortunate than ourselves, finding creative ways to help others and improve our world, learning from mistakes in the past, and showing respect are all important messages for us and our children. The response from Woodside families to the Harvest collection was incredible and we were able to send 22 large boxes of food to Oswestry Food Bank.

Thank you for supporting us.