Friday 3rd December 2021

Covid

Well after a few quiet weeks, we've had some fun and games this week...

There have been a few positive PCRs with staff this week and as a result, other staff have had to be off. It serves as a reminder that this hasn't gone away and does remain a big risk to children and adults. Parents have been brilliant in their support and I have received some very positive messages about taking the school back into a bubble system and reducing the mixing around school. If we lose more staff then there could be a possibility that we would have to close a class or two and switch to home learning. I urge you all to make sure you have contingencies in place if this should happen at short notice.

Parents have been letting us know about negative test results with the LFDs that we sent home on Wednesday. I hope these have been useful to you and if you need more then just pop into the office.

I do feel I should remind parents that there is no allowance now for 'covid-anxiety' as far as attendance goes. I can only authorise absence for actual illness or if children are waiting for a PCR result when symptomatic. The government in their wisdom feel that anyone who is non-symptomatic should be in school until they receive a positive test. I can only authorise if you tell me children are ill.

If you are feeling anxious about covid then I strongly urge you to call school and I will do all I can to set your mind at ease.

We are still hoping to have parents in on Nativity days but if we continue to get cases of covid we will film it for you.

Staff Shout Out

The children have been amazing this week. Children are very perceptive and they know when things aren't right but they have not taken advantage of staff numbers being low and their behaviour is a real credit to staff and parents.

The staff who have been in all this week have really been amazing as well. People have been doing extra duties, covering other classes and generally keeping everything going. #proudheadteacher

Also, a big thank you to Jo Scarisbrick for decorating the lovely tree in the front entrance.

Dates

Another date to make you aware of is Christmas Dinner on 15th. It is on a Wednesday so the usual options should be available. Christmas Jumper day is next Friday on 10th.

Lending Library

Just a reminder that parents and children are free to take books from the shelf in the front entrance.

There is a range of fiction and non-fiction that you may browse and choose.

Updates and info are easily viewable at

https://www.woodsideprimary.co.uk/

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Thank you and have a lovely weekend $\ensuremath{\circledcirc}$