



Woodsetton School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your children all safe and well.

Please note that following our recent closure school will reopen next Monday, Monday 14th December, for all pupils except for those in Caterpillar class.

Unfortunately, due to reduced staffing capacity and for safety reasons linked to this, Caterpillars will now remain closed until after the Christmas break.

For all other classes, please see overleaf an updated plan of activities for the last week of term.

Can I please take this opportunity to thank you all for pulling together with our staff to support your children during this difficult time. Let us hope that we will continue to stay safe whilst being able to resume our learning/special activities during this final week of term.

In order to do this, Dudley officials have made it very clear that transmission rates are extremely high in our local area at this present time and many schools have had significant outbreaks of Covid cases resulting in many having to close, just like ourselves.

On our return, in order for us to all remain fit and well over Christmas, it is of paramount importance that we look after all of our pupils' and staff's health and consider this a priority.

Therefore please, strictly do not send any children into school with any signs of being unwell.

Please be aware that in addition to the 3 main symptoms of a continuous cough, high temperature or change / loss of taste / smell, wider symptoms of Covid 19 to look out for also include:

- Loss of Appetite
- Sore Throat
- Extreme Tiredness
- Joint Pain or Muscle Ache
- Sneezing
- Headaches
- Runny nose / congestion
- *Diarrhoea (must be clear of symptoms for 48hrs before returning to school)
- **Vomiting (must be clear of symptoms for 48hrs before returning to school)
- Nausea

All staff will also be adhering to these same guidelines and we will continue to restrict visitors on to our site diligently. Please note that if at any time between now and the end of term it is felt that staffing capacity does not enable us to keep all pupils safe, we will have to review whether it is safe to remain open.

Please continue to support us by keeping face coverings on whilst on the school grounds and maintaining good social distancing at all times. Where possible only one adult should attend with no accompanying siblings or other children and please leave the site immediately after drop off/collection.

If we all carefully follow these rules and public health guidelines as a community, I'm sure we will have less chance of further disruption to our last few days in school this term.

Many thanks for your ongoing support and understanding with this. Together we can get through these challenging times.

Kind regards

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Updated overview for our last week of term...

Monday 14 th December:	Blue bubble visit to forest (am) parties (pm)
Tuesday 15 th December:	Green and red bubble visit to forest (am) parties (pm)
Wednesday 16 th December:	Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch (in classes)
Thursday 17 th December:	Class “celebration” themed day
Friday 18 th December:	School closed to pupils (Additional training day following DfE announcement yesterday)

In addition

Please note change to previously stated return date for start of Spring Term for pupils

Pupils will now be returning to school on **Wednesday 6th January 2021**