



West Cliff Primary School Newsletter

01.10.20



Celebration Certificates 😊

As we are unable to have assembly we are just going to send out certificates instead, announce them on here and post a picture on facebook.

Puffin Class	-	Lenny Curtis
Starfish Class	-	Alexander Dodd
Turtle Class	-	Jimmy McNeilly
Penguin Class	-	Zander Martin
Seahorse Class	-	Ava Kirk
Dolphin Class	-	Rebecca Bailey
Seal Class	-	Mason Reed

Attendance

Attendance for last week was 97.6%

Puffins -	100%
Starfish -	98.7%
Turtles	99.2%
Penguins -	99.2%
Seahorses -	97.5%
Dolphins -	92.9%
Seals -	96.0%

Colds! - reminder 😊

We are very aware that there are a significant number of children in school with colds - and that these may sometimes result in a cough. We understand this, and if your child is presenting with a streaming cold with an occasional cough and no fever then please send them to school 😊 Never did I think I would be writing this, but the general consensus amongst Whitby heads is that if there is snot then it is very likely to be a common cold. So far in West Cliff around 30 children and staff have been tested, and all have been negative 😊

If your child does have a new cough (with no cold), a fever, or loses their sense of smell or taste then please take them to be tested and let us know immediately when you have the results. Children are fine to return as soon as their test is negative.

Key Workers

Thank you for your forms - we should be able to provide places for everyone who needs them. Hopefully we will never be in this position but we are now prepared!

Bubble Closures

Happily we have still not had to close any bubbles yet 😊 If we did have a positive case and had to close a bubble then we would send I pads home as we did in lockdown and your child would be taught using seesaw or tapestry for the 14 days. We do now have I pads we can send with Reception children 😊

I pad damage

During lockdown we had lots of damaged I pads - particularly smashed screens 😞 It has cost us about £1000 in repairs. Clearly we were in unprecedented times and we understand that these things happen, but we can't afford more repairs. As a result we will be sending home an agreement for parents to sign, this will ask that if a screen is broken then parents cover the cost of repair which is £50. If parents do not want children to bring home their school I pad and they have their own device to access seesaw then we are happy for them to do that. The letter we send will ask you to choose whether you would like to borrow a school I pad, or use your own device.

Halloween Non-Uniform Day

As we are unable to host our annual Halloween Disco this year, we have decided to have a non-uniform day on Friday 23rd October. Children will be invited to wear any Halloween themed costumes they wish. More details will follow next week.

Phonics and writing

We are finding that children are needing catch up in the areas of times tables recall, writing and phonics (KS1) If you can support in any way from home this would be great 😊

Parent's Evening - reminder

We will be conducting our parent's evening via zoom this year - this is just an early warning in case you don't have it downloaded! Parents will be allocated strict 10 minute slots that will be booked on the my child at school app.

We will need e mails from parents to send zoom invites so it would be very helpful if you could send these on fb messenger or MCAS messages. Parent's Evening will be in the week of 12.10.20.

World Mental Health Day - reminder

World mental health day is on Saturday the 10th October. In light of recent events we have had a huge focus on mental wellbeing. This special day is a further opportunity for us to focus on our mental health. In the week leading up to this date all classes will partake in activities, circle times and discussions linked to this important topic.

Telephone number

Please use the main school telephone number when contacting school. 01947 602510

MCAS

This is now fixed 😊

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