

West Park Post



Your child's progress and attainment

A big thank you to all the families who have supported children's learning during lockdown this term. We really appreciate your dedication to your child's education.

Pupils have returned after lockdown very well and nearly all have had excellent learning attitudes over the last 4 weeks!

If your child is in year 1 to 6, you have been sent details of current attainment and progress in reading and maths. All children will discuss their learning with teachers at a one to one conference early next term.

The data identifies where their strengths and weaknesses lie in reading and maths. In school, we use this information next term and plan carefully to meet their individual needs. We want every child in school to be the best they can be and ready for the next academic year!

Currently, whole school targets include:

- ✓ Improving fine motor skills and handwriting
- ✓ Making sure all children are enabled to meet their end of year targets in reading, writing and mathematics following the impact of school closures
- ✓ Improving physical fitness and mental wellbeing post lockdown (sports clubs are starting after the holidays including extra lunchtime activities!)

If you have any questions about the Visible Learning information, then these will be addressed during Open Evening **week beginning 3rd May**. If you have not done so already, please respond to form by clicking the link below to be allocated a time slot. **All parents are expected to have a meeting to discuss pupil progress and key targets.**

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=n-nwrUuRD0WALH_XTtX2Cmc_eeBYqetOkOGDhI7MMrxUQ0hWRFIKR01UVVM4UjvKOVrDW_UxTQ0xNVy4u



COVID 19 - PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE

The police have requested we ask all parents and guardians make sure that they and the young people of Wolverhampton abide by the current rules of the lockdown and stay at or local to their homes. This will help protect us all. *See page 2 for more information.*

Another vital thing that members of families can do is get a **vaccine** when they are offered. This will support safety for the whole community. For more useful facts and to dispel myths about vaccinations look here: [Covid-19 Vaccine | City Of Wolverhampton Council](#)

Gatis Street Food Hub

Anyone in need of food can go along to Gatis Community Space on **Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 1pm-4pm.**

This is until 16th April so make the most of this during the school break. All you need is a Wolverhampton postcode, so take proof of address. There is a fabulous variety of fresh food and vegetables, bread and other staples.

<https://www.gatiscommunityspace.co.uk/>



Update on bags

We have politely requested that children do **not** bring large bags to school; it is creating significant health and safety problems in all areas. This means children could trip over bags and hurt themselves.

To help the storage issue, we are getting lockers fitted across the school. This should improve corridor areas significantly!

Parents will be told dimensions (size of lockers) in due course.

In the meantime, please help us keep children safe by only sending reading packs, PE kits, water bottles and a packed lunch (if needed).

Government roadmap to ease lockdown restrictions

<https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/coronavirus-advice-and-information/covid-alert>



School needs to continue to contact trace after we close for the break. If a pupil or anyone in the house tests positive for Covid over the Easter break, please email school and tell us. We need to know who it is, when the symptoms started and when a test was taken. Please notify school of any test outcomes

office@westparkprimaryschool.co.uk

Safeguarding concerns?

Remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility – for adults as well as children. If you are concerned about any families or neighbours over the Easter holiday, then call the police on 101 or social care on 01902 555392. There is a lot of useful information on the following links:

www.wolverhamptionsafeguarding.org.uk

<https://www.westparkprimaryschool.co.uk/safeguarding>



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COVID

Children must not attend school if they or anyone in their house has COVID 19 symptoms or has tested positive in last 7 days.

- New continuous cough
- High temperature (37.8+)
- Loss of or change in normal sense of taste or smell

What will happen if families report absence due to any of above symptoms:

1. The child must isolate for 10 days
2. The family must isolate for 10 days
3. The symptomatic person(s) should get tested via <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/> or by phoning 119.

The school is working very closely with Public Health England and all reports of above symptoms are followed up.

For this reason, absence must be reported correctly and honestly.

If anyone displays symptoms in school, they are isolated and sent home.

At West Park, we continue to fund an additional cleaner during the school day out of school budget. This ensures all key parts of school, surfaces and toilets are hygienic. Please follow guidelines to help us keep all the community safe.

How can you help further?

Families can now obtain lateral flow testing kits for use at home, to test adults who have children in schools. Testing people without symptoms is crucial in reducing spread as it means that the chain of transmission can be broken.

Schools, nurseries and colleges testing: order coronavirus (COVID-19) rapid lateral flow home test kits - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Dates

Thursday 1st April – school closes at 3pm for the Easter holiday

Monday 19th April – school opens for the summer term

Tuesday 20th April – school photographs. Due to Covid restrictions, this will be **individual photos only**

Week beginning 3rd May – **open evening** meetings with teachers. Please respond to form by clicking the link to be allocated time slot. **All parents are expected to have a meeting to discuss pupil progress and key targets.**

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Friday 28th May – school closes at 3pm for half term

Monday 7th June - school reopens after half term

Friday 16th July – school closes at 3pm for the summer holidays

Bhangra Vibes

During the Easter holidays our young people and their families can sign up for a new and exciting physical activity that will bring happiness and give good **Vibes**. Over the Easter break there will be six sessions over the two weeks: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday each week.

For our children, young people and families to receive these weekly virtual sessions they need to register using the link below.

[Bhangra Vibes - Registration](#)

Spring Photography Competition 2021

You are invited to put your best Spring photos on Seesaw.

Winners will be selected from each class and announced after the Easter holidays.

Closing date: 16.4.21

Governor Information

Governors met on Wednesday 23rd March and Ms Jones shared the success of online learning during lockdown.

We were all very impressed with the number of children that were logging on and completing their work in such difficult times.

We would like to thank the staff for all their dedication and hard work throughout lockdown, adapting to online learning is not easy and I think we will all agree that they did a remarkable job.

Finally, we would also like to say a big thank you to parents and carers for encouraging your children and understanding how important your children's education is.

Lyndsay Stallard, co-chair of the Governing Body

Governing Body parent vacancies

There are currently vacancies on the Governing Body for parents or carers of children currently at West Park Primary. If you have an interest in education, **or** particular skills e.g. finance, then please email





























westparkprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Parent Ambassadors

The school is looking for parents or carers who are interesting in supporting families in the school. The City of Wolverhampton Council may be offering training. If you would like to be involved please email the school (see above email address) or call in at the office.

Attendance news end of Spring term 2021

Here is a summary of attendance since September 2020.

Class	Attendance	
YR	96.6%	 
Y1	97%	  
Y2	97.3%	  
Y3	97.5%	  
Y4RD	97.2%	   
Y4SS	97.7%	  
Y5JD	97.4%	  
Y5SA	96.2%	 
Y6	97.8%	   
School total	97.4%	



Target for school
is 97%

Our attendance target for the year is 97% so we have done **amazingly** well since September. Well done to everyone – this is an achievement to be proud of. 😊

We are also proud that when children were working online at the start of this term the engagement was great – we had 72% take up for all our lessons and an amazing 82% for maths & English. 😊



Have a happy Easter break and remember for next term:

**We could not achieve this without the support of parents –
THANK YOU!**

Self-isolation due to COVID does not count towards a child's absence figure. If a child or someone in the home has COVID symptoms or a positive test the child MUST NOT attend school. Call and inform us on 01902 558238.

If your child does not have COVID symptoms and has not been asked to self-isolate, then in general if they are up and about at home then they are well enough to be in school. 😊