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WEST PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents/carers,

Welcome Back!

Welcome back for the new academic year; we are also very excited to be back in school again and supporting you children to be the best they can be!

Children have returned to school looking really smart and are such a credit to you all. Please help us by supporting your children with their learning and making sure all uniform is labelled. **Trainers are not school uniform** so please make sure your child is in appropriate footwear.

Open evening is on **Wednesday 9th October, 3.30pm to 6pm**, so please have that in your diary and make sure at least one parent/carer can attend. It is vital that school and home work together to ensure the best possible outcomes for pupils. Of course, you can make an appointment to see the class teacher or myself at any time.

The school had an excellent year in 2018/19, with phenomenal results and progress across all year groups. We are continuing with our Visible Learning journey which includes learning dispositions and the importance of feedback.

We were also delighted to be awarded a Leader's Outstanding Contribution Award 2019 from the City of Wolverhampton during the summer break, recognising the work we do to get really positive outcomes for children our families ©

We have also been awarded a Gold School Games Mark for our work on sport and physical activity.

Delicious School Dinners!

School dinners at West Park are fantastic; Shires Services makes balanced, nutritious and freshly prepared food including a deli bar for key stage 2, and all pupils can also access a salad bar daily. See menu attached or view it on the website https://www.westparkprimaryschool.co.uk/schools-meals

Many of you met staff from Shires and sampled food during the open evening, and pupils were also asked what they thought of the meals last term. Because of this, we are going to trial a system where children **pre-order** food in the morning. This is to make sure they always get exactly what they want from the menu.

This will start with year 6 next Tuesday (10/09/19) and will be introduced to other classes in key stage 2 later in the term. Parents will be notified by text message as other classes are included.

If your child does not have school dinners, then why not give them a try? Pupils in reception, year 1 and year 2 are **all** entitled to a **free meal**. Year 3-6 pupils' lunches cost £2.30 a day (£11.50 a week), unless they are entitled to a free meal. Please ask office staff if you are not sure.

Special meal days this term include a Back to School menu on 19^{th} September, a Big Breakfast Menu on 3^{rd} October and a Bonfire Night special on 5^{th} November. Posters are displayed in the notice board on the school yard.

Parents and carers are welcome to come into school to view the quality of the lunches and 'Come Dine with Me' events will be arranged across the year so that adults can come and eat alongside their children! We serve, meat, fish and vegetarian meals so please take time to look at the menu.

Payments into School

The school is going cashless after half term through SIMS Pay; many parents have already registered. Letters will be coming out next week giving details of what to do if you have not signed up yet.

Attendance

Pupils' attendance and punctuality is vital to their success and how well they thrive in the classroom. This is monitored very closely. The school target is 97% and this was achieved FOR THE FIRST TIME last academic year! Let's make it two years in a row!

Pupils with excellent attendance and punctuality are entered into a prize draw each term.

Please also endeavour to make medical or other appointments for outside school hours where possible; again, we need to minimise disruptions to your child's learning journey.

Staff News

Mrs Hegarty left her post as administrative assistant during the summer break.

Dates

<u>School closed</u> for staff training in the autumn term:

Monday 9.9.19 Friday 25.10.19

For dates further ahead, please refer to the West Park Post, class newsletters (this will be coming out shortly) and the school website.

Yours sincerely,

Briony Jones