# **West Heath Primary Newsletter**

9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

It has been great to welcome everyone back to school this week for the new school year. We hope you had a wonderful summer.

A special welcome to our new children in EYFS and their families, as well as those who have joined us in other year groups throughout school.

This week we have reminded the children of the expectations in school as they settle into their new year groups.

Our newsletter this week will share some key messages and useful reminders.



## Her Majesty the Queen

We are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Her Majesty the Queen. Our thoughts are with the entire Royal Family at this time.

We offer our sincere thanks to her for her dedication to duty, both to the UK and across the wider Commonwealth.

We remembered The Queen in our assembly this morning and visited our Memorial Garden to lay flowers.

If you would like to pay your respects at our Memorial Garden or lay flowers, you are welcome to do so, after school next week.





#### Internet Safety

It has been brought to our attention that accounts on Roblox are impersonating children and asking them to share personal information. If your child has any apps that require online accounts, please check them regularly.

You will find useful guides for parents and carers at

## saferinternet.org.uk

## PE Hoodies

PE hoodies are no longer available to order through school. They can be purchased from Kids Essentials in Northfield.

https://kidsessentialsschoolwearbirmingham.co.uk

#### **Pencil Cases**

- Key stage 2 children may bring a pencil case to school

- It will be their responsibility to look after it

- If pencil cases become an issue, individual children or classes may be asked to keep them at home.



### **Dates for your Diary:**

<u>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October</u> Last day of term for the children

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

**Teacher Training Day** 

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October School reopens

#### **Homework**

Reading – all children should read each night. Parents/carers should ensure that the reading section of their child's planner is completed each evening, including a signature.

Spellings – Children will be given weekly spellings to learn.

Times Tales – Children will be expected to learn their times tables each week.

Homework will be set next Thursday.

#### Change of Details

Please inform the school office of any change of details over the holiday - address, phone numbers etc

It is very important that these are up to date.

Email enquiry@westheathprimary.bham.sch.uk

#### Mobile Phones

Only the children in Years 5 and 6, who walk to or from school by themselves, are permitted to bring mobile phones to school.

Parents of the children in these classes – please complete the PING that has been sent this week about walking permission and mobile phones.

#### Labelling Items

Please help us to ensure your child's property can be identified by writing their name in all items of uniform.

## **Forest School Clothes**

Please send Forest School clothes to be kept in school. These don't necessarily need to be waterproofs, but needs to be a change of clothing and footwear which you don't mind getting wet and muddy.



## **Medical**

Any medicines that need to come into school must be brought to the school office by an adult.

Children should not bring medication to school in their school bags.

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## **Site Safety**

Please help us to keep all of our school community safe whilst on site.

Dogs are not permitted on the school site.

Bikes and scooters should be walked to and from the gate.

Children must be supervised by parents once they have been dismissed by the class staff at home time. This includes younger/preschool siblings.

#### Morning Drop Off

Please use Rednal Rd gate for Drop and Go.

If you need to bring your child into the playground, please use Wakeford Rd entrance.

A one-way system is still in place to leave the site before school.

### **Home Time Collection**

Rednal Rd gate and Wakeford Rd gates can be used to enter and exit the site at home time. The back gate by the caretaker's house will also be available as an exit.

## Consideration to our Local Community

Please be mindful of our local residents when travelling to and from school.

Consider safe parking and behaviour as we have received a few calls from concerned neighbours of school.

