

West Meadows Weekly

#AimHighSucceedBeHappy – Friday 8th January 2021

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Dear Families,
Happy New Year! What a start to 2021!
PLEASE STAY SAFE – this is my wish for everyone and if we all make a New Year's Resolution of looking after each other then we shall be fine. This of course means following the rules and sadly, not coming to school as normal. THANK YOU so much for your support and understanding at this time. I led an INSET day on Monday to prepare our team for the new term. I did say 'things may look different in a week or 2.' Then at 8pm that night we heard the devastating yet essential news that we must close to the **vast majority of pupils**.

I must again ask you to consider the following before requesting a school place for your child:

1. If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be.
2. If a child needs specialist support, is vulnerable or has a parent who is a critical worker, then educational provision will be available for them.
3. Parents should also do everything they can to ensure children are not mixing socially in a way which can continue to spread the virus. They should observe the same social distancing principles as adults.

We are also attempting to secure more devices to loan out to families where children have limited electronic device access. The Government has promised more; I look forward to this promise being fulfilled. I must say a massive thank you to staff for their hard work during this very strange, stressful and different start to the new year. Several have understandable worries and I remain committed to making their work as stress free as is possible - not easy at present of course. Their determination with the online learning has been great. The distribution of food and devices to our families has been equally as successful. Our school is a very special place to be and one reason is because of the highly skilled, resilient and caring staff team we have.

Please have a **safe** weekend and look after each other, especially our elders. I hope several Grandparents and Great Grandparents have received a vaccination as this looks to be the road back to 'normality.' Take great care.

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Daniel Wood (Headteacher)

| Class | % |
|------------------------|---|
| Attendances | |
| EYFS 1 30 Hours | |
| EYFS 1 AM | |
| F2 | |
| Year 1 | |
| Year 2 | |
| Year 3 | |
| Year 4 | |
| Year 5 | |
| Year 6 | |

This week's winners

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| School Attendance Target for the Year: | |
| School Attendance this week: | |
| School Attendance this year: | |

| Lunch Menu | |
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| Mon | Jacket Potato |
| Tue | Sausage and Mash |
| Weds | Cheese and Tomato Pizza |
| Thurs | Turkey and Stuffing |
| Fri | Fishcake and Chips |

Meals

Thanks to Lynn, we are offering a hot meal for those children in school.
EYFS 2 Year 1 and Year 2 children in attendance, are entitled to a Free meal as are families whose children are attending who would normally receive FSM.

Free School Meals

Thanks to the staff who attempted to deliver a Free School Meals Food Parcel to relevant families. Lynn and the Kitchen Staff have worked very hard to prepare them. Please keep your eyes on Twitter as this arrangement may change to Vouchers. Next week, a food parcel is scheduled. This conforms with latest Government Guidance at the time of writing.

Grange on Games - @WMPPrimarySport

Please keep an eye on our Twitter; lots of PE links will be posted here for children to use or join in with at home.

Maestro On Music

Happy New Year! We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Concerts and CD this year.
I am working with Mrs. Evans to improve my ICT skills – next week we shall be Going Live using Google Meets to share some lessons.

| Diary Dates | |
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| Mon | • School Closed to children |
| Tue | • |
| Weds | • |
| Thurs | • |
| Fri | • |