



Yealmpton Primary School

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A partner school in the Westcountry Schools Trust (WeST)
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Dear Parents

Class Structure for the New Academic Year

Following the recent completion of a successful recruitment process I am today in a position to inform you of the new class structures for next year. We have recently appointed two new teachers who will be joining us in September and I'm sure you will all make them very welcome at Yealmpton Primary.

Reception – Mrs Julie Tomkins & Mrs Kelly Purchon

Year 1 – Miss Sarah Fielding

Year 2 – Miss Rebecca Yorke & Mrs Abi Carkett

Year 3 – Miss Vanessa Harris

Year 4 – Mrs Jo Pen-Collins

Year 5 – Mr Liam Huxtable

Year 6 – Mrs Sarah Honywill



Admin Support

We are a little stretched at the moment and due to unforeseen circumstances we are running admin from off site, which is making for some creative ways of working. Can we ask that requests into the office are kept to the most urgent priorities. Please use the class emails to message and liaise with the class teachers. It really helps us if the children have all the items they need for their school day to avoid telephone calls home and things having to be dropped off once lessons have started. By working together we will help ease the messaging coming into the school via the office and only use this option for essential enquires.

Many thanks for your support. ☺

Being Ready for Remote Learning

We have been directed by the Trust to ensure we are ready in case we need to use remote learning again for any possible closure of class bubbles. If you need any support with laptops please email the office so that we can make sure everyone has access to one for home learning on Teams should it be necessary. Thank you.

Uniform

If you are requiring any new school uniform from school for the new academic year, please could you complete your orders on Parent Pay within the next couple of weeks so that there isn't a rush at the end of term. Thank you.

School Meals

Please could I remind families to pay for school meals **in advance** of your child ordering a meal. Unnecessary time and resources are being used to chase debts which could be avoided. Thank you for your co-operation and support.



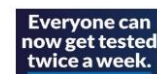
Parent's Evenings

It has been a year of twists and turns but I have never been prouder of all of our children and the team. To this end, the teachers are looking forward to catching up with you virtually on 14th and 15th July. Details will be sent out next Friday and bookings will be open from 6pm on this day.

COVID Restrictions

As you will now know, the lockdown restrictions have been extended for another 4 weeks. The new 'Delta' variant which is much more transmissible and now accounts for nearly all of the covid cases being identified is spreading quickly, particularly among children and young adults under the age of 30.

If your child has any symptoms please ensure you book a PCR test and inform school. LFD tests are NOT suitable for primary school children. While you are waiting for the result of the PCR test, everyone in the household MUST ISOLATE. If you need any support or advice please contact school or the Covid NHS helpline/website. Restrictions in school remain in place and we would ask you to support us by continuing to wear masks when you are on or near the school site – we want to keep our children as safe as possible. As always, please only send your child into school if they are well and able to participate in their learning.



Covid testing

As you may be aware, staff in school carry out LFD tests twice a week. This helps us to spot infections quickly and take action to stop any further spread of the virus. The government are asking all parents/carers to carry out LFD tests twice a week (on themselves) to help stop the spread of infection. The new variant is in all areas of England and is more easily transmitted. The more testing we do, the more likely it is that we will curb the spread of the virus and see our lives return to normal. If you are able to test twice a week you can pick up FREE tests from some pharmacies or supermarkets and Covid testing sites such as <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> We're all in this together.

Best wishes

Louise Young
Head teacher

Come rain or
sunshine it's
always good to
explore nature...

