

WESTGARTH WEEKLY



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Dear Families,



Winter clothing

As colder weather returns, please ensure that your child is well wrapped up in terms of both indoor and outdoor clothing. Even in cold weather, we are advised to keep rooms ventilated as part of our COVID risk assessment (even if it is just a window cracked open) so your child may need an extra layer as the outside temperature drops.

Social Distancing reminder

As you are aware, Redcar and Cleveland has moved into a tier 2 local lockdown. One of the main purposes of the additional measures is to try and mitigate against transmission risks in the community, whilst keeping schools open: something we all want. Whilst we have a wide range of protective measures in place, we still do have upwards of 300 different households mixing on our school site, so your adherence to social distancing measures is imperative to minimise risks to children, staff and yourselves.

Meeting other households indoors is now prohibited, so please do not request face to face meetings with school staff, as our updated risk assessment cannot accommodate them in light of moving to tier 2. Please use the one way email system to pass on messages, and the upcoming phone calls with teachers to discuss how your child has settled. If you need to speak with a class teacher about a concern regarding your child, please contact the school office. The teacher will endeavour to call you back but, due to staffing capacity in our bubbles, this needs to be outside of lesson time, unless it is deemed urgent.

We also need you and your child to adhere to social distancing measures at drop off and collection - standing on the distanced stars, and not allowing your child to play on or with equipment.

We have been fortunate not to have had a bubble closure so far, and your observance of social distancing at school plays a significant part in this. We need all of our community to work together to keep our children and staff in school. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Mental Health Support

Keeping Teesside Connected is a free, confidential service available to adults, children and families affected by disability, autism and mental health across our region, funded by the National Lottery. Please see the flyer attached to the Westgarth Weekly 16-10-20 email for further details.



Wishing you all a lovely, autumnal weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Woodhead
Headteacher