

WESTGARTH WEEKLY



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Dear Families,



Packed Lunches

Just a reminder that we ask you not to pack confectionery items (sweets and chocolate bars) in lunch boxes, but dessert items, such as cake bars and biscuits, are fine. In light of last week's newsletter in which I explained why we ask that juice is not sent in water bottles, I wanted to clarify that dental advice suggests that a drink of juice with a meal is much less detrimental to children's teeth than sipping juice over the day. So juice could be sent in a lunchbox as a lunchtime drink, in addition to a bottle of plain water for the classroom.

Sensory Processing Workshop

Please find attached details of a workshop for parents/carers related to sensory processing needs in children.

Easter Holiday Activities

As part of the Holiday Activities Fund, nine of the North East Local Authorities have worked with Local TV to film enrichment content that will be shown on Teesside TV (channel 7 on Freeview) during the second week of the Easter Holidays (Tuesday 6th April to Friday 9th April).

This includes dedicated content:

7am - 8am - *The Get Up and Go Show* for 4-8yrs

1pm - 1.30pm - *The L.C* for 9-12yrs

7pm - 8pm - *Holiday Hub* for 13-16yrs

Activities for KS1 and KS2 include circus skills, yoga, an archaeological adventure and a dance-off ... all in your living room!

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Easter Break Test and Trace

A final reminder that school continues to be required to support Test and Trace at the start of the upcoming Easter break if children or staff test positive having developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school. In these circumstances, please continue to follow the current protocol of emailing westgarthoffice@westgarthprimary.co.uk using the subject heading: Positive COVID 19 test.

Where children or staff test positive for COVID-19 during the Easter break having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, schools are not required to take any action. Staff, parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.



We look forward to seeing the children again when school returns on Monday 12th April.

Wishing all of our families a safe and happy Easter break!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Woodhead
Headteacher