

WESTGARTH WEEKLY



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Dear Families,

Positive COVID 19 half term reporting

Once again, we have been asked to support Test and Trace over the half term break, should a positive case of COVID 19 be identified in children or staff attending school this week.

A reminder that our out of hours and school holiday procedure is to email the school office marking your email with **COVID 19** in the subject box and sending it to: westgarthoffice@WestgarthPrimary.co.uk

After Thursday 18th February, there is no requirement to inform school of a child (who has been attending school) receiving a positive test result, as normal Test and Trace procedures would apply.



PHEW!

We have reached the end of a half term at Westgarth that turned out very differently to the one we all expected. It has taken a huge community effort from all the adults at home and in school to support our children, and I am extremely grateful to the staff here in school, and to you at home, for managing to get through an incredibly tough few weeks. After all the efforts we have always made to keep school open, whatever the weather, who anticipated that snow would be the least of our worries?

As you are aware, we receive information about next steps for schools at exactly the same time as all of you, sitting with bated breath as the "next slide please" is called. All we currently know is that a national "roadmap" will be outlined week commencing 22nd February; that schools re-opening to more children is the first priority in the relaxation of restrictions; and that we have been promised two weeks' notice of a school return, no earlier than 8th March - whether this is a full re-opening or phased.

Let us hope for positive news for both schools and the wider community.

With very best wishes to all of our families. Enjoy the half term break - we hope you are able to spend some quality time together, ideally with lots of rest and play. Stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Woodhead
Headteacher