



## WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents & Carers,

### Happy New Year!

Welcome back after the Christmas break. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and managed to spend some family time together.

As we return for the start of our Spring Term – EYFS will be learning about Dinosaurs, Key Stage One will be learning about the History of Transport, Lower key Stage Two will begin their Geography learning about Water, Rivers and Oceans and Upper Key Stage Two will focus on Physical Geography, learning about Rainforests. Corresponding Knowledge Organisers can be found on our website to support your child's learning. Knowledge Organisers outline the key knowledge and vocabulary that will be covered. They are available under the Teaching and Learning tab on our website and they are available for different subject areas. Click on Teaching and Learning, select the subject you want to view and then the correct phase for your child. [West Kirby Primary School - Home](#)

Weekly Spellings for Year 1 to Year 6 are sent out via Marvellous Me each week. However, they are also available for the whole half term on our school website. They are available under the Parent Tab, under key information for parents.

[West Kirby Primary School - KS1 - including Weekly Spellings](#)

[West Kirby Primary School - LKS2 - including Weekly Spellings](#)

[West Kirby Primary School - UKS2 - including Weekly Spellings](#)

Thank you for your kind donations at the EYFS Christmas Performance and the KS1 Christmas Performance, we have managed to cover the costs of the licences and other costs incurred. We hope you enjoyed watching your child/children in their performance, they all did such a great job!

Thank you for your kind words, cards and gifts shared with staff before Christmas, they really were appreciated.

Our PTA had a great turn out for their Festive Tea/Coffee morning, your support is really valued. Look out for more PTA events as we head into 2024.

Please also find attached to this email and uploaded on the Spring letters page on our website the January Online Safety Newsletter. Christmas is a time when households often have new technology devices. Please take some time to have a read of the information in the January Newsletter. We share one with you each month and there are always top tips to support children online and more importantly to safeguard them online. Apps do have age restrictions on them, and we do ask that you are aware of these to prevent the children falling out online, seeing inappropriate content online or feeling under pressure about something.

| App       | Age Restriction |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Facebook  | Age 13+         |
| Instagram | Age 13+         |
| Snapchat  | Age 13+         |
| TikTok    | Age 13+         |
| Twitter   | Age 13+         |
| WhatsApp  | Age 16+         |

### Attendance

- Well done to the children who had 100% attendance in Autumn Two. We celebrated this in our Christmas assembly on the last day. We appreciate that aiming for 100% for the whole year is a real challenge. Therefore, we are celebrating 100% attendance at the end of every half term this year.
- Attendance is really important and if your child is well, they need to be in school. If a child is absent for one week – they may miss 5 phonics lessons, 5 English lessons, 5 Maths lessons, 2 PE lessons, 2 Science Lessons, 2 Geography Lessons, 1 IT Lesson, 1 PSHCE Lesson, 10 Playtimes with their peers and more.
- Please check our Term Time Dates to avoid holidays/days absent in Term Time [West Kirby Primary School - Term Dates](#)
- Your child's attendance for the Autumn Term will be shared with you on their interim report, which will be emailed to you on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January.

### Important Dates

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January: Autumn Term Interim Reports will be emailed to all parents/Carers
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February: Children's Mental Health Week
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February: Year 6 National Curriculum Assessment Meeting (6:00pm via Teams)
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February: Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February: Year 4 Assembly – Parents and Carers warmly welcome (9:00am)
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February: EYFS Reading Café (8:45am-9:30am)
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February: Year 1 Reading Café (8:45am-9:30am)
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February: Rock Kidz will be visiting WKPS – Come dressed as a Rock Star!

*\*Please note this is not all the dates. Please keep checking the online calendar on our school website for added dates/events. [West Kirby Primary School - Calendar](#)*

### Parent Pay

- Please ensure that you credit your child's Parent Pay account **prior** to requesting a lunch in school. As we start the new year, please check that your child's account has credit if they are having school meals this week.
- Your Parent Pay account **should not** be in debt.
- If using WAVES and/or before/after school clubs Parent Pay accounts need to be paid once the amount has been added on. Please speak to the School Office if you would like to pay in regular instalments.
- Your child will not be allocated a place in WAVES or before/after school clubs if accounts have debt.

### Contact us

If you have any further questions or queries, please contact our phase leaders using the key stage emails. We will do our best to get back to you as soon as we can.

| Phase | Phase Leader  | Phase Email address  |
|-------|---------------|--|
| EYFS  | Mrs Catt      | <a href="mailto:eyfs@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk">eyfs@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk</a>                       |
| KS1   | Mrs Hughes    | <a href="mailto:ks1@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk">ks1@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk</a>                         |
| LKS2  | Mr Procter    | <a href="mailto:lks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk">lks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk</a>                       |
| UKS2  | Mrs McCann    | <a href="mailto:uks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk">uks2@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk</a>                       |
|       | School Office | <a href="mailto:schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk">schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk</a> |

Have a good week.

Yours sincerely,

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