



Ashton West End Primary Academy



March 2021 Newsletter

School Update

Welcome back after the school closure. It is lovely to see so many happy children in school. Thank you to all of our parents who supported children with their home learning. You did a brilliant job. Now it is our time to take back over!

Asymptomatic testing for families of school-age children

Parents are being encouraged to test themselves twice a week, 3-4 days apart if they do not have any symptoms. Parents and carers can order kits here:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

or pick up kits at Darnton Road or Beeley Street between 1.30pm – 7pm. Further information can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff#history>

Parent Mail

We are continuing to ask for your updated email address so we can send messages and emails via our Parent Mail App. If you do not already have this, please send your email address to admin@awepa.org.uk and we will send you a link for this. This will reduce the amount of paper we send home to you.

Online Home Learning

If your child is self-isolating then we have a range of online learning activities they can complete from home. Your child has login details for Google Classroom, Class Dojo, Mathletics, Espresso and Times Table Rockstars. If a class is asked to self-isolate, then the class teacher will set work for them each day. If you have any IT problems, please email mrshardy@awepa.org.uk



SIMS Pay

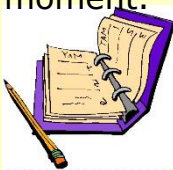
Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, we are reducing the amount of cash received in the school office. We are actively encouraging you to register your account for SIMS Pay. If you need an activation code, please email the academy at: admin@awepa.org.uk and a new code will be emailed back to you. Thank you for your cooperation. **All parents who have signed up, including those already registered, will be entered into a prize draw with a chance to win a £50 supermarket gift voucher. The closing date for the competition is Wednesday 31st March 2021.**

Pantomime



This year, the school pantomime will look very different due to Covid-19 restrictions. The children will have the chance to watch the pantomime in their year group bubbles only. The cost per child will be £3 each. The pantomime is only for pupils in Year 1-Year 6 due to limited performances over two days. The pantomime will take place on Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th April. A letter will be sent out to you soon with more information. Please do not send any money into school at the moment.

Dates for your Diary



Parents' Evening: Due to the school closure, we have moved parents' evening to April to give us some more teaching time with your child. We will send a letter out closer to the time. The meeting will take place over the phone from week beginning 26th April and the 3rd May.

Easter Holiday: The children will finish this term on Thursday 1st April. The school will re-open on Monday 19th April 2021.

Face Masks

Due to the national lockdown and new restrictions, we are asking parents to wear face masks on the playground when dropping off and collecting their children. We need to reduce the amount of transmission as much as possible in order to keep the children in school. Thank you.



Governors

Welcome to Elina Mahmood who is one of our new parent Governors and Miss Fallows who is a new staff Governor. The academy governors are as follows:

Mrs Jones (Chair of Governors)

Mrs Etchells (Vice Chair of Governors)

Mr Kristjansson (Parent Governor)

Mrs Rasheed (Parent Governor)

Mr Rehman (Parent Governor)

Mrs Mahmood (Parent Governor)

Mrs Ayoola (Co opted Governor)

Mr Jones (Co opted Governor)

Mr Pinner (Co opted Governor)

Mrs Beswick (Staff Governor)

Miss Fallows (Staff Governor)

Robinwood 23rd- 25th April

Year 5 & 6 Trip- Robinwood

I have been in contact with Robinwood and they are waiting for the Government to state if our visit can go ahead. I will keep you informed of their decision and whether the dates need to be moved to later in the year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Miss Pizuti,

Principal