

10th September 2021 – Return to School News

Dear Parent and Carers,

It is lovely to see everyone back in school and hear the stories of the summer break.

We have welcomed new starters into our Pre-School, Reception and other classes across school, they have all settled well into our Wybunbury family and we have welcomed back everyone else in our whole school community.



All our children have taken up the challenges of their new classes and settled back to learning. Thank you for the ways in which you have supported your children.

Thank you to all our staff and teachers for setting up inspiring learning environments, ethos and culture, for establishing familiar routines and encouraging enthusiasm around the study work themes for the Autumn term.

Staffing News

We would like to welcome Miss Greatbanks to our WD Team. She is working with our Y1 class. Please offer her a warm welcome as she settles into her new job. Jo Seville has been a part of our Wybunbury Delves family for many years – she has worked in Preschool and as a midday but most recently in our Out of School Club. Unfortunately she has left us over the summer for a new job. We wish her all the very best.



We would like to offer our congratulations to Miss McCurrie who is expecting her first child in the new year. She will begin her maternity leave at Christmas. We know Y3 will be super excited to hear Miss McCurrie's news but will also be wondering who will be teaching them in the spring term – please leave this with us for now, we are working on this and will let you know as soon as we can.

Covid News

We now have 5 confirmed cases from our school community and there are other families who have Covid in their households. Please be vigilant. If you child is unwell please keep them at home. If they have symptoms, please book a PCR test

It is recommended that all parents test themselves twice weekly using the asymptomatic lateral flow device (LFD) test. Kits can be ordered online or collected from test centres or pharmacies. This helps to find asymptomatic cases in the community.

School will monitor the office email outside of school times – evenings and weekends, for Covid related emails. As you receive PCR test results, please let us know immediately the outcome.

If someone in your household tests positive, it is recommended that all household contacts book a PCR. Cheshire East are now recommending that the household isolates whilst you wait for the close contact results. If a negative result is returned for a close contact and you meet the criteria of double vaccinated (+14days) or under 18years 6months then you can return to normal activities – including school for the children. Adults are then recommended to regularly LFD test whilst the positive case isolates. We need everyone to help with this. There are vulnerable adults and children in our community. For a positive case you will be contacted by Test and Trace, please track carefully through the previous days and the contacts you have had. School are not directly involved in contact tracing now but we may be asked to identify friendship groups, close contacts in some cases.

School is working with Cheshire East Covid team for advice about all cases and actions which need to be taken. We continually review our risk assessments and routines. We ask that you abide by these whilst on site. If there is a positive case in your child's class you will receive a 'Warn and Inform' letter – this is a CE letter provided to schools. Children are expected to continue to attend school as normal.

We ensure the office have at least 2 contacts for your child. If your child is unwell then we do need them to be collected swiftly to ensure other children and our staff keep well. We will advise PCR test if your child has the main symptoms or Delta variant symptoms which include headache, sore throat and runny nose. An LFD test should not be used for symptomatic testing. A PCR test is much more accurate and picks up the virus at an early stage.



Lost Property and Uniform

Please ensure all your child's uniform is named. Without a name you are highly unlikely to have it returned to you! We have a growing mountain of lost property already! Please ensure you child is not bringing additional items into school – no toys, pokemon cards, things to share with friends etc.



PE – Please ensure earrings are removed for PE or taped over for the session – this is a health and safety requirement. PE tops are to be WD Blue PE top or White Polo top please. We are no longer wearing house colour t-shirts, this was phased out last school year. Trainers should be white or black only please.



Reception Place 2022 Applications: The deadline for applications for Reception 2022 is January 15th. We have a page on our website: https://www.wybunburydelves.co.uk/our-school/joining-our-wybunbury-delves-family.html with information and links to our YouTube channel for a virtual tour. We are currently offering visits after school, please call the office to book.

New Website and Photography

We are working with our website provider to update our website. This will include making it easier to use on mobile phones and tablets. As part of the relaunch of the site, we will be having some new photography and film taken towards the end of September.

PTA Thank You and AGM

A huge THANK YOU to the PTA committee and all the volunteers who have given their time over the summer to enhancing our outdoor areas. It looks amazing and the children are thoroughly enjoying the new look areas! We are awaiting sand for the 2 sand pits on the field but we hope to complete this very soon!

The PTA having been working really hard to raise money for projects in school. Thank you for supporting their activities. The cook book was an amazing success, we hope you are enjoying the WD favourite recipes! The tuck shop is continuing this half term and the PTA have events planned for this term.

All our families are automatically members of the PTA and we always welcome people to get involved!



Next Wednesday 15th September, we will be holding our first PTA meeting of the year. This one is our annual AGM (annual general meeting) where we will go through everything from last year, reports from our treasurer, chair and Mrs Chesters, welcoming of new members and introduction to our named members for the next calendar year, as well as plans for the term ahead.

The meeting will take place over zoom at 7pm.

If you would like to join this meeting please can you email the following email address for the access details:-

PTAsecretary@wybunburydelves.co.uk

Looking forward to seeing you there virtually.

(If anyone would like to participate in the meeting but is unable, please send your apologies to the email address above by Tuesday 14th September- Thank you)

Amazon Wishlist



We are regularly asked by parents, carers, grandparents and friends of the school as to how you can support us to continue to provide a rich, wide-ranging curriculum and a high standard of education. As you know we LOVE books! But we are always looking for exciting new titles and books which will spark our children to a love of reading and the wider curriculum.

If you would like to, and are able to, support the school, please visit one of our wish lists below. Books will then be delivered straight to school and will be enjoyed as part of our lessons.

There are 2 lists, one for books for our younger children – Early Years (Preschool and Reception) and Key Stage 1 (Y1 and Y2); then for our older children in Key Stage 2 (Y3-Y6).

EY/KS1 List https://amzn.eu/ds0huLX

KS2 List https://amzn.eu/0wCal1s

If you, or any of your friends and family, would like to donate a book to school, please use the links above to our wishlist titles and add them to your Amazon order!

Easy Fundraising

Just letting you know that Wybunbury Delves Primary are registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them - at no extra cost to yourself! One of the sites is booking.com, if parents go via easyfundraising to book trips, this would really help boost our funds!



These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wybunburydelves/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=gs-e1

Thank you so much!



Dates for the Year

We are still working on our calendar of events for this year. We are hoping to be able to have parents back into school as time progresses. Due to the Covid situation, we will be strictly limiting entry by number and pre-booked adults. Details will follow.

The term dates for this year are below, please note the end of the school year date has been altered to accommodate the additional Bank Holiday

Term Dates for 2021-2022

Holiday Period	Date of Closing	Date of Re-Opening
Summer 2021	Tuesday 20th July 2021	Thursday 2nd September 2021
Autumn Half Term	Friday 22nd October 2021	Monday 1st November 2021
Christmas 2021/2022	Friday 17th December 2021	Wednesday 5th January 2022
Spring Half Term 2022	Thursday 17th February 2022	Monday 28th February 2022
Easter 2022	Friday 1st April 2022	Tuesday 19th April 2022
May Day 2022	Friday 29th April	Tuesday 3rd May 2022
Summer Half Term 2022	Friday 27th May 2022	Monday 6th June 2022
Summer 2022	Tuesday 19th July 2022	









INSET DAYS (Included above):

- Wednesday 1st September
- Tuesday 4th January
- Friday 18th February
- Wednesday 20th July
- Thursday 21st July

We look forward to working with you all across this school year. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

Mrs Chesters and the WD Team