



Weekly Bulletin

Friday 29th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

We are already at the end of January and the prospect of Spring and warmer weather is on the horizon. We hope that you are all keeping well and that you are managing in the current lockdown.

You may have seen in the news that the Government are considering whether it will be safe for all children to return to school and nursery on Monday 8th March. We hope to have more information about whether this is going to happen after February half term. We shall of course keep you informed about our plans for a smooth return to school whenever that happens.

Home Learning

We are continuing to support parents who are home schooling with our home learning packs (there is a new one every week for you to collect) and through Tapestry on line learning. There is also a wealth of ideas on our website – www.thewillowseyc.org.uk.

Home learning packs can be collected on the following days between 9.30am – 11.30am:

- Mondays – Nursery classes and Owls
- Tuesdays – Badgers, Hedgehogs and Squirrels
- Wednesdays – Rabbits

If you are unable to collect your child's pack on their allocated day, please call the office on 01908 528803 and we will happily prepare you a pack to collect at another time.

Don't forget that the BBC offer Bitesize and Lockdown Learning on-line and on the TV. Please remember that we are not expecting you to spend all day teaching your children. A 'little and often' approach might help you. Develop a routine – read a story together, listen to your child read, work through the learning packs. Don't forget to go out for a walk with your child, take a football to the field – let them run off their energy.

If you need help or are struggling, please get in touch. We shall do whatever we can to help you.

School Learning

Children have settled well into learning at school. They have enjoyed working in their Bubbles. The children at school are completing similar work to the children at home so that no one is disadvantaged. We have started to create a lockdown learning display which shows the children in school the work from their friends at home.

Half Term and Covid test results

If your child attends school and they or a member of their family tests positive for Covid during the first weekend of half term please email the Headteacher (Joanna.orbell@thewillowseyc.org.uk) and let us know when symptoms started and the date of the Covid Test result so that we can assess any impact on the wider school community.

Pebbles Children's Centre

The Pebbles Team are still available for you to get in touch with on the phone by calling 01908 240556 or by visiting their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pebbles.centre>

They can offer advice on a wide range of services for parents and families of children aged 0-5 years.



Diary Dates (subject to Government decisions on Schools re-opening during the Covid lockdown)

Friday 12 th February	3.00pm	School term finishes
Monday 22 nd February	8.45am	Key worker children and those currently attending school return
Monday 8 th March		Children might return to school, subject to Government decisions on schools reopening