FRIDAY 19th March 2021

Tettenhall Wood School

Dear Parents, carers

I am very pleased to see all out pupils continuing to settle back into school after a period of lockdown at home. Pupils are working really well in their bubbles and we continue to follow all our procedures to keep everyone as safe and well as possible. We currently continue to have NO positive cases of COVID 19 in school which is great news and helped by parents informing us if their child is feeling unwell.

Today we will be sending lateral flow tests home with all secondary school age pupils at Tettenhall Wood School. Please can you use the flow tests for your child on a Sunday and Wednesday evening if your child will feel conformable to do so and it is within your wishes. You must let school know if there is a positive result and follow the self isolation procedures.

The DfE have also announced that all members of a household can access lateral flow tests either at community sites or through home testing kits.

Keep our schools safe by getting a regular Covid-19 test

To keep everyone as safe as possible we urge ALL families to engage in lateral flow tests for their whole family twice per week. For more information please visit Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) from this site you can order a delivery of tests or find out where to pick up home testing kits for your whole family.

Information on rapid testing for people without symptoms of Covid-19 is available at: www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/coronavirus-testing.

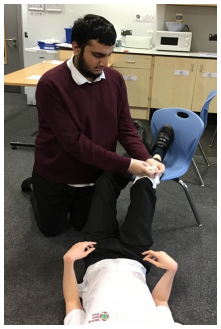
Rapid testing is not available for people who have symptoms of Covid-19, including a fever, a new continuous cough or a change to the sense of taste or smell, or people who have been told to isolate. Anyone with symptoms should immediately self-isolate and book a PCR test by visiting www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or calling 119.

There will be a temporary Covid-19 LFT mobile testing unit available at Wednesfield Community Hub, Well Lane, WV11 1XT for the rest of this week until Sunday 21st March 2021.
The unit will be able to undertake Lateral Flow Tests for members of the public who are without symptoms.
The mobile testing unit will be open on a daily basis until Sunday 8am-1pm and 2pm to 6pm. No appointment is needed. Other sites in the city are included on the LAST page of the newsletter.

Anyone who displays any of the main symptoms of Covid-19, however mild, should continue to use one of the city's PCR testing sites. The main symptoms are a new, continuous cough, a high temperature, or a loss or change to the sense of taste or smell.

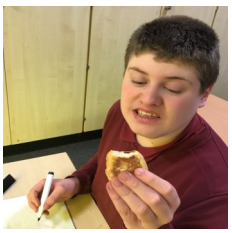
Horizon

This week in Horizon we have been learning about how to treat severe bleeding and shock in Duke of Edinburgh, we really enjoyed the lesson and we practised practical first aid and bandaging skills on each other. Next week we will be learning about how to treat bites and stings.



Deer

This week Deer have followed a recipe to make Ancient Roman bread (libum) and enjoyed tasting our bread afterwards.



Listening Ear Wednesdays

Information, Advice and Support Services working together to support parents and carers

Does your child (up to 25yrs) have special educational needs and/or a disability?

Do you live in Wolverhampton, Dudley, Walsall or Sandwell?

Would you like to join an online session to find out what support is available?

We know that things have been difficult for families, particularly where a child has additional needs. There are still many concerns even as we step closer to returning to normality. We invite you to join us remotely and chat about what you might be finding difficult. We can offer you impartial advice and guide you to appropriate support.

Information, Advice and Support Services (IASS) advise and support children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

The four **IASS from Wolverhampton, Dudley, Walsall and Sandwell** are joining together to offer some **FREE virtual sessions** for local parents and carers **offering emotional support and a listening ear**.

*The **FREE virtual sessions** will take place on the following **Wednesdays**:*

24 March - 12.30pm to 1.30pm
7 April - 2.30pm to 3.30pm & 28 April - 10am to 11am

Click on the date to book your place via Eventbrite and receive instructions on how to join.

Click here to find details for your local **Information, Advice and Support Service**

Information, Advice & Support Services Network

Just a friendly reminder...

If your child is unwell or is unable to attend school please call the school office by 10:00am. If we have not heard from you by this time we will contact you. If you have not rung school or we cannot get hold of you, your child will be given an unauthorised absence.

The office number is: 01902 556519

Watch out! Watch out ! Headlice are about!!

Please can we ask you all to keep a check on your child's hair.
Please click on or copy the link below for more Information
https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

Aged 11 – 19?

Text a school nurse on

07507 332 631

for confidential help and advice.

Queen Alexandra College Virtual Open Day event will be taking place on **Thursday 25th March, 10am -12pm**. Using the Zoom video platform, they will be delivering a series of short presentations and videos for potential students and their families to discover more about QAC. Students, families and carers will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about College life, the wide range of study programmes on offer, residential provision and the various support services that are in place.

For further information about our upcoming event and how to book please visit our website here

In addition to our Open Day Events, they can also deliver bespoke Virtual School Group Visits which will enable your students to explore QAC from their classroom. Please email lreid@qac.ac.uk if you would like to book a Virtual School Group Visit.

For further information regarding their Open Day Events please get in touch by emailing **enquiries@qac.ac.uk** or calling **0121 803 5484**.

If you are looking for lots of ideas of fun, active, crafty and educational things to do as a family this spring please take a look at the latest issue of Raring2go! Wolverhampton & South Staffordshire magazine by clicking this link:

https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/wolverhampton/spring/

Message from PTFA

There is a PTFA meeting being held on TEAMS on Tuesday 23rd March 2021 @1000.
If anyone would like to join us, please reply to TwsPTFA@tettenhallwoodschool.org.uk Everyone welcome.

A big thanks to everyone who has supported PTFA through easyfundraising, both through direct donations and through a retailer. These donations you've raised are vital to us, so please keep up the great work!

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 4,400 shops and sites will donate to PTFA Tettenhall Wood School, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, M&S and Just Eat!

Plus, you could raise up to £215 when you use easyfundraising to save money on your household bills including car and home insurance, energy, phone contract or broadband. Uswitch, GoCompare, Confused.com and many more will all donate to us for FREE!

If you haven't signed up to support us yet, it's easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started!

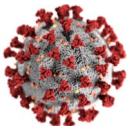
You can find our easyfundraising page here: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ptfatettenhallwoodschool/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-rbd21-e1

Thank you

Reminder to all parents/carers

A face covering must be worn on the school premises at all times "unless exempt".

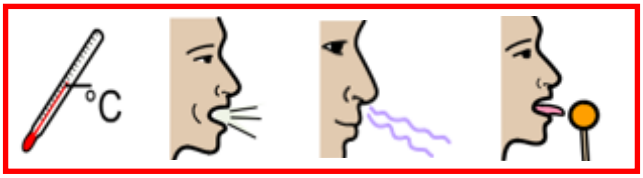
Coronavirus (COVID-19) - School Update



If we believe your child has 1 or more of the symptoms, we will ask you to collect him/her and book a test (by calling 119) or by going to the Government website.

Symptoms are:

- High temperature
- New, continuous cough
- Loss or change to sense of smell or taste

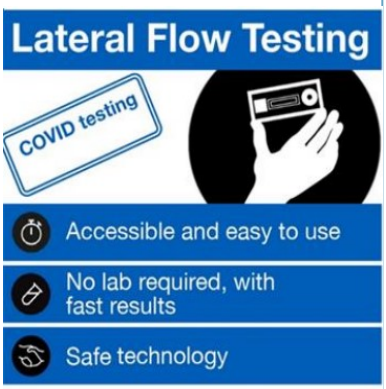


Coronavirus information in other languages
The following link provides information on Coronavirus and how to stay safe in a range of different languages.
Other languages | City Of Wolverhampton Council

Please stay vigilant to any new symptoms including:

- New cough
- High Temperature
- Loss or change of taste or smell
- Sore tummy and loose bowels
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Coated mouth
- Unusual tiredness
- Aching
- Back ache/sore ribs
- Changes in behaviour where your child cannot communicate they are unwell

Staff have started to do home Lateral Flow Test twice a week. These are rapid tests that allow people WITHOUT symptoms to get tested, with results available within 30 minutes. Should a test come back positive, the individual will be treated as symptomatic and will be asked to go to a test centre for the usual Covid Test procedure and the bubble will close pending those results .



Anyone can now get a lateral flow test **without an appointment** at one of six Covid-19 rapid test centres below, or order free home kits at Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

- *City of Wolverhampton Council's Civic Centre (open Monday to Friday from 8am-7pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10am-6pm)*
- *The Jamia Masjid Bilal on Newhampton Road West (10am-6.30pm daily)*
- *St Joseph's Church, Willenhall Road (Monday to Friday, 2pm-6pm)*
- *Pendeford Library (Monday to Friday from 10am-4pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10am-6pm).*
- *Ashmore Park Hub, Griffiths Drive, Ashmore Park (Open each day, 10am—6pm apart from Wednesdays and Sundays)*
- *Bilston Community Centre, 1 Ponds Lane, Bilston open (Monday, Thursday, Friday 8am-4pm and Saturday & Sunday 10am—4pm)*

Diary Dates

Friday 2nd April - Friday 16th April 2021	School Closed—Easter Holidays