

River Mead School



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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a great week in school for the children, I have seen some really amazing learning taking place and both they and you have all settled into the new routines. Thank you for your support with these at drop off and collection.

We appreciate your understanding our need for keeping staff, yourselves and your children safe as staff began wearing visors. Visors are preferable to face-coverings as we are able to keep 2m away and the children can still see a welcoming smile.

From Wednesday this week we will ask you to wear a face covering when dropping off or collecting your child and entering the site unless you have a medical exemption lanyard.



Thank you & remember “hands, face, space”

Mrs Austin

Star Of The Week

Magpies - Kyle
Frogs– Murdoch
Herons - Martha
Kestrels - Oliver C
Badgers - Lily-May
Buzzards– Maisy



If your child is Star of the week they will receive their certificate and their achievement will be posted on Seesaw for you to see. The school family will celebrate online via a virtual assembly which one of the school leaders will host.

We have considered sharing a recording of the online assembly, but there are a number of restrictions which mean we cannot do this.

Seesaw Online Learning & Home Learning



Dear Parents/Carers,

This year we will continue to use Seesaw as our online learning platform. Seesaw will support children with their learning both in and out of school. We have set up new classes for this academic year, but have saved all the children's previous learning – so please don't panic, it's not lost!

We will use Seesaw for home learning tasks, sharing and celebrating learning between home and school, sharing a photo of each class Star of the Week, and also if we need to provide learning due to children required to isolate.

Children in Year 1, 2 and 3 will be given paper copies of their new QR codes to login to Seesaw (the previous ones have now expired). Children in Year 4, 5 and 6 will use their @meadprimary.co.uk email address and password. If your child has forgotten their password, please ask them to mention this to their class teacher.

Please remember that if you need to get in contact with your child's class teacher, please call the office, or email office@rivermead.wilts.sch.uk rather than posting on your child's Seesaw Learning Journal. Class teachers will not be checking Seesaw daily so will not pick up any messages posted.

Thank you for your continued support

Otters Nursery

Do you Have a 2 year old or pre-schooler?

Will your child be 2 next year?

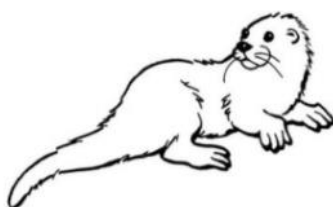
Are you looking for a nursery place?

Now or for later in the year? Make sure

you reserve your place in 'Little Otters' as the nursery is very popular and we are limited on numbers. Please book your place now even if your child will start in the New Year or even after Easter this will guarantee you a place so you aren't disappointed!!

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The Rule of 6

Please keep yourselves, other families and the staff at school safe by sticking to the rule of six and socially distancing

- The Rule of 6 applies after you have dropped your children off at school, please do not meet in a group to have a conversation - go home, go to work but please don't wait about together.
- In England children ARE included in the rule of 6 so any number of children or adults that make 6 is enough!



Do you have symptoms?

If you have any of the following symptoms or your child is sent home with any one of these;

- ⇒ A new and continuous cough this is defined as coughing for more than an hour or 3 long coughing fits in 24 hours
- ⇒ A high temperature
- ⇒ A loss or change to sense of smell or taste

Phone 111 for advice

Phone 119 to book a test or book a test online persevere and refresh, refresh, refresh—you will get one. If you cannot please call the office.

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.

Please contact us to let us know if you or a family member is being tested and of the result, phone the office or by email if out of hours; covidreporting@rivermead.wilts.sch.uk

Face Coverings

We have asked that you try to communicate with school via e-mail or telephone. If for some reason you cannot do this and you MUST visit the office you are required, as per the government guidance for indoor enclosed spaces to wear a face covering.

If you don't it is likely that you will be asked to leave. Please help us all to stay safe by wearing a face covering.

From Wednesday 23rd September please also wear a face covering when entering the school site at drop off and collection unless you have a medical exemption lanyard



PE Days

Your child will need to wear their PE kit to school and will need a coat and jumper/cardigan. If it is cold jogging bottoms, where possible a plain black or navy. They can still wear their school jumper or cardigan.

Year 1 - Tuesday

Year 2 - Tuesday

Year 3 - Wednesday

Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 5 - Thursday

Year 6 - Monday (yoga) Thursday PE

Year R - Not needed yet!

