

River Mead School



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Dear Parents

I have noticed that some people are not following the advice or guidance from the government or school. We are doing our best to keep staff, you & your children safe, you **MUST** do your best too, please do the following;

- **Keep 2m distance from other people.**
- **Wear a face-covering when dropping/collecting children.**
- **Inform us if you or a member of your family has symptoms.**
- **If you or a member of your family are isolating (including older children).**
- **If you or a member of your family are waiting for a test result YOU ALL stay at home.**

If you or a member of your family are waiting for a test result, you can contact us at the school office during the week or out of hours;

- covidreporting@rivermead.wilts.sch.uk
- or over the weekend please use the emergency covid text number 07521622705

Thank you for your continued support, everyone is doing their best.

Mrs Austin

Star Of The Week

Otters - Joshua T
Magpies - Mia T-M
Frogs – Rosie A
Heron - Jamie A
Kestrels - Sydney B
Badgers - Keiran O-T
Buzzards– Williams R

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.



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, re-fresh, 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

Please Remember

1. **Wear a face mask when dropping off and collecting your child**
2. **Communicate via Telephone & Email**
3. **If you must come into the office, one person in Reception at a time**



Christmas Meal

If you haven't booked

your child/ren in for

Christmas Dinner, please let Reception know as soon as possible.



Otters Nursery Parents

The change in weather is upon us, it is essential to keep our little Otters warm. Please can you remember to dress your children in appropriate clothing.

We are also finding that clothes are not named, as a result of this we have a number of items of clothing that have no owner. Please can you check in your bags incase you have other childrens clothes

If you have any items of clothing such as pants, socks and trousers or any unwanted toys that are no longer required by your little ones, Otters Nursery will be grateful to receive any donations.

We would also like to remind parents that collection times are 3.15pm and 4.15pm only

Thank you.



Sports Star of the Week

Year 1: Kohen and Kyla

Year 2: Lexie Smith and Ruby

Year 3: Martha and Sienna

Year 4: Aimee and Sydney

Year 5: Elsie and Lola

Year 6: Alesha and Will Skipping



**Christmas
Countdown
34 Days**



Big well done to the following pupils who have achieved their Bronze Award in the recent Reading Olympics:

Year 2—Jack Swann

Year 3— Ben Brown

Year 4—Sam Cousins and Jay Bullock

Year 6—Delilah, George, Freya, Lou-Lou and Maisy

Well Done Everyone!

For the attention of
all parents

Will your child be four years old
before September 2021?

**You must apply for a
primary school place**

Apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Application forms for Wiltshire residents are also available at
all Wiltshire Council Offices.

**The deadline for applications is
Midnight on 15 January 2021**

All forms must be returned to the
school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge

Ring customer services on 01225 713010
for more information or to request our guide –
Finding a primary school place in Wiltshire

Wiltshire Council

PE Days

Please can you make sure your child has the correct P.E kit this year. Children should have

- A plain white top or house coloured t-shirt
- Navy/black shorts or tracksuit trousers for poor weather
- Plain jumper or school jumper
- Trainers
- Coat and will need a coat

Please note this is our P.E uniform and children should not be wearing clothes with sports branding, Football strips or sparkly slogans

Children will need to wear their PE kits to school on the following days:

Year 1 - Tuesday

Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 2 - Tuesday

Year 5 - Thursday

Year 3 - Wednesday

Year 6 - Monday (yoga) Thursday PE

Year R - Monday



Did you know...

You can find curriculum information for each class on our website. This lets you know what the class are learning about this term?

Information for Term 2 has now been uploaded and the links below will take you to the class page where you can find this.

Curriculum Information:

Reception: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/nursery-and-reception/>

Year 1: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/magpies/>

Year 2: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-2-frogs/>

Year 3: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-3-hedgehogs/>

Year 4: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-4-swans/>

Year 5: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-5-badgers/>

Year 6: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/year-6-buzzards/>

Beehive: <https://www.rivermead.wilts.sch.uk/learning/classes/resource-base-beehive/>



Flu Immunisation 2020/21

Just a reminder that the Flu Immunisation is still going ahead for Reception and years 1 to 6 on the 26th November 2020. **Bookings close on 24th November 2020**

If you haven't registered your child, please click on the link below:

<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/Swindon>



Oh no, not another one!

#Lockdown2

- Collecting prescriptions
- Helping with shopping
- Walking the dog
- Friendly phone calls



Melksham
COVID-19
Community Support



Age Friendly
Melksham

The number to call **01225 809265**
support@melkshamcommunity.co.uk

Open Days at River Mead School



Visit us if you are looking for a primary school place for September 2021!

We also have Nursery places for two and three year old children available **now**.

Come along and take a full guided tour of the school on **Saturday 9th January 2021, 9am - 2pm**

Spaces are limited, so book yours now at rivermeadopenday.eventbrite.co.uk

Online booking in advance is essential



The Friends of River Mead School are a group of parent's who get together and arrange events and activities to raise money for the school. Due to current restrictions we are unable to hold any at the moment but are always looking for new parents to join us!

If you are interested in joining the team or would like any further information then please contact the office and leave a message for Anne-Marie.

Thank you.

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