



# Woodland Newsletter: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are at the end of another busy week here at Woodland and we have some important Covid updates for you, thank you in advance for taking the time to read.

Please do remember to get in touch if we can further support you in any way at all during these unprecedented times on 01706 620305 or at [head@woodland.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:head@woodland.rochdale.sch.uk)

Thank you for your continuing support. Have a lovely weekend!

The Woodland Team

## Lateral Flow Testing

As you may have seen in the media recently, from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021, lateral flow testing kits have been made available to primary school staff. This is a national initiative to try and reduce the transmission of Coronavirus from those adults that are asymptomatic. This is not mandatory, however, a number of staff at Woodland are taking part. Should a member of staff receive a positive lateral flow test they need to self-isolate, as do any close contacts, book a PCR test and await the result. As such, this could mean that bubbles are sent home for a period of isolation for up to 10 days OR for a shorter amount of time in between a negative PCR result being received. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further clarification.

## February Half Term 2021

Earlier this week, the DfE confirmed that all schools will be closed over the February half term break. We break up for February Half Term at 3.00pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and will re-open at 8.45am on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021.

## Reception Home Learning

We understand the challenges that parents and carers face with home schooling, especially with our youngest children. However, we are concerned by the number of Reception children who we are not seeing home learning from via Tapestry. If you need any support or guidance with sharing home learning via Tapestry, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mrs Dunn and the Reception Team who will be more than happy to help you out. We cannot wait to see what our youngest children have been working on at home.

## Full Return of Schools

In an announcement on Wednesday afternoon, the Prime Minister advised that schools would not be opening fully after the February 2021 half term break. Woodland will remain open only to those children of critical workers and who are deemed to be vulnerable. We have been advised that the earliest consideration around the full re-opening of schools will be Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021, however, this is on the proviso of the government reaching a variety of their targets. We will, of course, provide any updates as and when we receive these as a school. Thank you for all your continued support.

## Wow Work in School

**Reception** – Willow  
**Year 1** – Vanessa  
**Year 2** – Echo  
**Year 3** – Maisie Blu  
**Year 4** – Patryk  
**Year 5** – Aaron  
**Year 6** – Aaron

## Wow Work at home

**Reception** – Sofia  
**Year 1** – Finley  
**Year 2** – Gracie  
**Year 3** – Archie  
**Year 4** – Christian  
**Year 5** – Brooke  
**Year 6** – Marie

**School Closes for February Half Term** – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
**School Re-opens** – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021