

Wyke Regis Primary Federation

Inspiring Hearts and Minds

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As half term approaches, a few reminders and updates before the well needed break for pupils and staff.

The break should also help us reduce the number of positive cases we have experienced this half term, which has grown this last week particularly at the infant site. For your information, we have had 18 cases at the juniors and 6 at the infants. I have received some further advice and guidance from the local authority as this increase is being felt in many Dorset and other South West schools. It may be that we implement some additional measures after half term if our cases continue to rise. I will keep you updated. **If you receive a close case letter - this will be notification of a case in your child's class - it is important to follow the guidance and book PCR tests immediately. We know that some of the positive cases have been from children who have not shown symptoms.** This will obviously help us reduce transmission. Thank you for your support with this.

Mrs Bowles our SENCO will be starting her maternity leave after half term. Your contact will be Miss Barter for the next couple of terms - she will be working at both sites and can be contacted through either school office.

We also have a new music teacher at the junior site after half term - Mrs Jessop. We wish Miss Taylor all the best in her new job.

Don't forget to order hot school meals by Monday 25th October for the first week back.

With the darker colder nights coming in, please can we ask you to be vigilant about monitoring children's game use. We have a number of children who seem to be accessing age 18 games. Some of the younger children are using material from games in their writing which is not appropriate. Thank you.

After half term please ensure children are wearing a coat to school.

Thank you for your on-going support this half term. The children have been doing their best and working hard in general. Mrs Clarke will be putting together a newsletter to share some learning with you after half term.

Have a good half term break and we will welcome the children back on Monday 1st November.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs W Roberts
Head of Federation