

Water Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I just wanted to write to further update you with the logistics and information for the week ahead for those parents who have indicated they would like their children in school next week but also to remind you of the updated advice from the Government and Education Secretary.

“You should only send your child to school on Monday if you have to, because your work is critical to our COVID-19 response. If you are able to keep your child at home you should’.

This is really important information, we need to do all we can to stop the spread of this disease and also protect our community, staff and children. Please ask yourself, is your work is vital to the campaign to halt the spread? Is there someone else at home, who can look after your children?

A number of our staff have put their name forward to be in school because they can and have the means and health to help, which I am extremely grateful for, others will of course be working hard behind the scenes making sure home learning help is available and children who are not in school are safe. Again this is something I am extremely grateful for. With all this in mind, I have made the decision to rota the staff in school in order to minimise the number of people in school. This is vital, as the country battles this pandemic and the Government advice of social distancing for all.

If you still wish or need to send your children to school then please be aware of the following.

- School will start at **8.50 / 9am** and will close at **3.25pm**
- The children can wear non-uniform apart from Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. This is to help parents but of course if it is easier to send in school uniform, please do so.
- PE Days will be **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** for all children and will need to wear PE kit.
- Friday we will be attending the forest therefore please can the children arrive in their Forest School clothing. Rossendale Leisure Trust will also be helping to deliver some sporting competitions during the day (Friday) 11am till 1pm therefore please can the children bring their PE kits in a bag.
- Please bring in a packed lunch unless contacted by school and booked a school meal.
- **Please can your children bring with them their home learning pack. We will be completing some of these activities with the children.**

As always thank you for your support.

Mr Willan
Headteacher

