



Dear parents and carers,

It was so lovely to see the children returning to school in the spring sunshine and playing in our beautiful grounds. One of my favourite moments of the week was during a conversation with Year 6. I asked them their favourite thing about Wynstream and their response was, 'the teachers and all the people here.' I absolutely agree.

It has been a calm yet busy week. We restarted having assemblies for Year 1-6 twice a week and also held Key Stage 1 and Key stage 2 Singing assemblies with Ms Ridler.

We are also restarting a Year 6 school council, led by Mr Baldwin. As a school we encourage children to participate in democracy- a key British Value. Mrs Tickle and Ms Turvey were so impressed that so many children stood for election and each child had the right to vote for the person who they felt could represent them. Well done to all children who stood. Only a few could be elected and this terms representatives will be:

Alfie, Alex, Brayden, Ella, Ellie M, Lily C and Phoebe B.

Pepper, our school therapy dog is joining us on Friday for the first time. From next week, she will be in school most days.

Thanks to any parents who are intending to attend the 'Meet the Head' cream tea after school on Friday at 3:10pm.

Some staff and parents are keen to restart a 'Friends of Wynstream' group. Mrs Vickery will be leading this, if you are keen to help out either as a committee member or an occasional volunteer please add your details to this [link](#).

The school council has already started improving our school. They have requested using the atrium for children to eat in at lunchtimes. Mr Rouse is working with staff and children to do this in a few weeks time.

This week I was not the only new member of our school community, we also welcomed Eliza (Year 1) and Ava-Mae (Year 4) and their families to Wynstream. We also welcomed Maxima, a new teaching assistant to the school. We hope that they are all very happy here!

Maxima Thomas will be working with us for this half term, supporting a range of children across the school with their learning, speaking and listening skills.

Mrs Phillips has decided to take early retirement with effect from the end of the Spring Term. The Governors would like to pay tribute and thank Mrs. Phillips for her hard work and commitment to the school during her time with us and wish her all the best for the future.

Lastly some reminders;

- Please could we remind parents to ensure that children come in school uniform every day (or sports uniform on PE days).
- Please could long hair be tied back as nits are always a possibility in schools.
- Jewellery (except small plain earring studs) and nail varnish should not be worn.

We hope that you have a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend and we look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 3rd May.

Best wishes,

Elise Redman



Current government guidance suggests that **Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature** should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can **go back to school**, college or childcare when they **no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend**.

Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should **try** to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under who have a positive COVID 19 test** the advice will be 3 days.

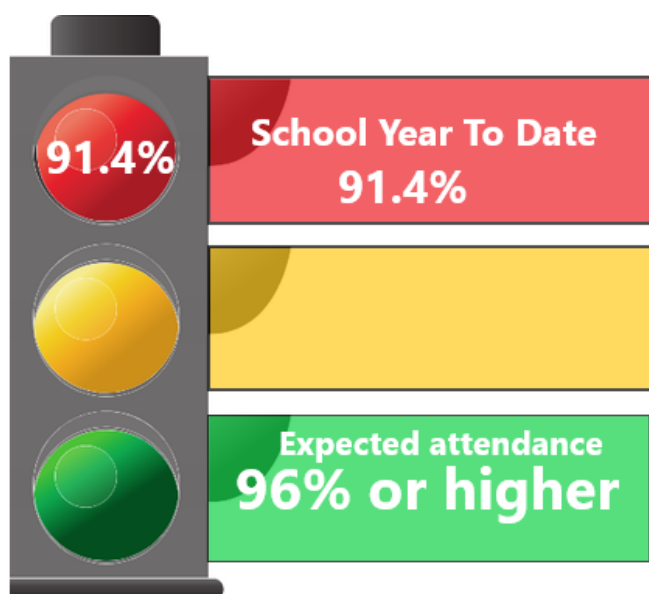
Regular asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended in any education or child-care setting and the school. The government website states that the population now has much stronger protection against COVID-19 than at any other point in the pandemic.

Click [here](#) to see more information on the government website.

Click [here](#) to see the updated and expanded NHS list of Covid symptoms.

School Attendance - Ongoing Reporting.

The information below shows that whole school attendance for the dates between 6th September 2021 and 28th April 2022 is currently **91.4%**, 0.2% up on when we last reported before the easter break. This is below the expected attendance rate of **96% or higher**. The national average for attendance in state funded primary schools was **92.3%** to April 2022, Wynstream Primary School is **0.9%** below this national average.



This week we recognise which of our pupils have demonstrated the greatest RESILIENCE whilst in school. Resilience is one of our 5 school values, and we will be celebrating achievement across each of the values in the comings weeks. For more information about our school values, vision and ethos please visit our website or click [here](#)

Congratulations to:

EYFS

Natan Skucinski & Zoe Andres

Year 1

Evie Coles & Mika Carpenter

Year 2

Jack Crocker & Perri Radford

Year 3

Connie Pawley & Rafal Skurat

Continued>>>

Year 4

Tiana Taylor & Isabelle Dennis-Lee

Year 5

Leo Tiley & Bailey Page-Mills

Year 6

Ella-Faith Bending & Tyler Rockey

Congratulations, and really well done to everyone.



Jiu-Jitsu Success. Alfie from Mulberry class, competed in the Birmingham Open jiu-jitsu competition, Alfie came first place winning the gold medal. A superb achievement, really well done Alfie! Everyone in school is really proud of you.



Key School Dates;

Monday 2nd May. School closed due to bank holiday.

From Tuesday 3rd May. Summer Term sports club will recommence, please see recent correspondence from Mr Rouse, Sports Coach.

Polling Day. Thursday 5th May. School will be open as usual for pupils.

Year 6 SATS dates. Monday 9th May, Tuesday 10th May, Wednesday 11th May and Thursday 12th May.

May Half Term. Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June inclusive. First day back in school is Monday 6th June.

Last day of the summer term. Thursday July 21st 2022. School re-opens again Tuesday 6th September 2022.