



WOLVERHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Wodensfield's Systems

As we welcome the new academic year, I am writing to remind parents and carers of the systems we use at Wodensfield to support communication with home. We understand the importance of home and school links, to our relationship driven school and hope this seeks clarity, as well as serving as a reminder of the purpose of each system.

School Gateway

Wodensfield is a cashless school and our parent payment app allows you to pay for school meals, apple, trips etc. and receive reminder notifications via your mobile phone. The app is free to download and access.

Communication via the school office will be sent by School Gateway via an in-app message or direct email. This includes whole-school and/or class letters regarding events, trips etc. as well as reminders for outstanding consent and payment for events. Therefore, it is vital that parents register for the School Gateway app.

MarvellousMe

This is our teachers to parents communication system. Teachers use MarvellousMe to share wonderful news with parents about their child/ren's learning and skill development. The app is free to download and access. It helps parents have conversations about their child's day, receive good news and recognise school achievements.

Communication via class teachers and support staff will be sent via MarvellousMe. This includes recognition of ready, respect and safe conduct across the school day, reminders of key class dates and information, club information etc. Device notifications via app or email alert is available through the app settings.

Text Messages

Parents may receive a text message from the school, should there be a need for more direct and speedy communication. For example, text messages about first aid / health and safety issues that may affect parents and children. Parents will be contacted via telephone, should an immediate response be required.

However, it is important to note, that the texting service will cease to operate in the new year, as we move towards one communication system following your feedback. Therefore, it is vital parents register for the School Gateway app and allow push notifications on their mobile device. The app will send you an immediate notification, like a text message or in-app notification i.e., WhatsApp. Please ensure you are familiar with this app, as parents will not be able to rely on text messages from February 2024.

SIMs Parent App

This is a convenient way for parents to update key information about your child immediately. From this app, you are able to update contact information i.e., telephone numbers and email address, as well as medical details, dietary needs and parental consent.



Email addresses

For general enquiries, please email office@wodensfield.org

To report your child's absence, provide evidence for upcoming appointments or general attendance enquiries, please telephone the school office on 01902 556350 or email attendance@wodensfield.org

Please see below for a year group's email address where enquiries relating to class work and attainment can be directed.

Year Group	Email Address
Nursery	Nurseryteacher@wodensfield.org
Reception	YRteacher@wodensfield.org
Year 1	Y1teacher@wodensfield.org
Year 2	Y2teacher@wodensfield.org
Year 3	Y3teacher@wodensfield.org
Year 4	Y4teacher@wodensfield.org
Year 5	Y5teacher@wodensfield.org
Year 6	Y6teacher@wodensfield.org

Cool Milk

Our school provides a milk scheme that is available to all of our pupils. School milk is free for under-5s, and for over-5s it is available at a subsidised price of 28p per child per day. Each child that registers with Cool Milk will receive a 189ml portion of semi-skimmed milk every day, delivered fresh and chilled to the classroom. Register online at www.coolmilk.com if your child is over 5 years old and not in receipt of Free School Meals.

Parent's Evening

Wodensfield uses the online booking system 'SchoolCloud' to organise parents evening appointments. This enables parents to book and, if necessary, edit appointments with class teachers directly. Once confirmed, parents will be sent an email confirmation. Further details will follow in a separate letter in the coming weeks.

School Website

Wodensfield Primary School website aims to provide all the necessary information relating to school. For example, information about our school and curriculum, including school times, school meals menu, policies, staffing and term dates. It also serves to update parents through class news posts, letters and the key info section on the home page.

Education City

We use Education City to set homework, based on topics that your child has been taught in class. The system has over 7,000 pieces of content, with lots of great resources to support and embed your child's learning. Passwords are sent home at the start of the academic year, and are stuck in your child's reading diary. The top class and top 10 children are recognised and celebrated in our weekly assembly.

Mathletics

We use Mathletics to set homework, to reinforce concepts that your child has been taught in class. Tasks will be set by the class teacher every Monday, and your child has one week to complete them. Passwords are sent home at the start of the academic year, and are stuck in your child's reading diary. The top class and top 10 children are recognised and celebrated in our weekly assembly.



Reading Buddies

[Reading Buddy](#) is a website where children get the chance to read books online and answer questions about them. It is our aim to give every child the opportunity to read at home and this virtual reading service allows children to read a range of books for free, develop deeper comprehension skills and make reading fun. Passwords are sent home at the start of the academic year, and are stuck in your child's reading diary.

TT Rockstars

We use [Times Tables Rock Stars](#) to help your child learn their times tables through practice, aiming to secure their multiplication tables and become times table rock stars. Knowing times tables and associated division facts supports mathematical learning and understanding; it is an expectation that all children recite their times tables by the end of Year 4. Passwords are sent home at the start of the academic year, and are stuck in your child's reading diary.

Please refer to our website for links, guides and further information. The school office is always happy to help, should you need help or support in accessing or understanding more about any system.

Regards,



Mrs S. Walker
Headteacher

