



# WESTWOOD NEWS

## Welcome Newsletter 2021



Dear Families,

A very warm welcome to you all, whether you are returning to us after the Summer break or whether you are joining the Westwood family for the first time. We pride ourselves on our role within the local community and our relationship with the families within our school so we very much look forward to working with you throughout this year.

We are very pleased to welcome back Miss Bircham & Mrs Gee following their return from maternity leave. Miss Bircham is our Year 6 teacher this year and Mrs Gee will be working with KSI but also teaching Art across the school as an Art specialist.. We would also like to welcome Miss Bolan to the UKS2 teaching team. She has worked at our partner school, Grove Primary, for a number of years but will be splitting her time across the two schools this year to share her expertise. We are very pleased to say Mrs Grey will be working with us again this year but this time in a different capacity as Assistant SENDCo, supporting Mrs Bayfield with all matters SEND.

During last year, we extended our Senior Leadership Team to include four Assistant Headteachers, each one with responsibility for a Key Stage. They will be working across both Westwood & Grove Primary School throughout the week so there will be opportunities for you to get to know them over the coming weeks.

You will soon be receiving a letter from your child's key stage team which introduces you to the adults working within those teams and outlines the learning that will take place this term. These will also explain some of the routines specific to the different year groups within the school. Each key stage will also be hosting a 'Meet the team' Zoom session, details of which have been sent via ParentMail. Each key stage has two slots on the same evening (you only need to attend one!). They will be sharing even more information specific to each key stage and is the ideal opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have.

We continue to use ParentMail as our main form of communication so please do check you are signed up and able to receive all notifications. We also love to share our successes and events in the community via Facebook so make sure you are following our page.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of our school, it really is our pleasure teaching your children and working with our local community.

We are so Proud to be Westwood!

Mrs Aldous & Mrs Barnes



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our uniform is as follows:

- Purple jumper/cardigan (preferably with the Westwood logo)
- Black trousers, shorts,
- pinafore dress or skirt
- White polo shirt
- Black shoes (no boots or trainers.)
- White socks or black tights
- In the summer, girls may wear purple and white checked summer dresses.

For P.E. children need:

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts
- White socks
- Black slip-on plimsolls
- trainers for outdoor P.E.
- A Sweatshirt/Jogging Bottoms (optional)
- School PE bag

## WEBSITE

Please keep an eye on the school website as we update this regularly.

The address is: [www.westwoodprimary.org](http://www.westwoodprimary.org)

You can also follow us on:



Twitter: @Westwood School



Facebook: Westwood Primary School



Instagram: westwoodprimary

## PTFA

We are very fortunate to have an active PTFA within school. They have organised many fantastic events over the years and helped raise vital funds to support educational activities, such as trips and visits, as well as providing the children with treats as various points during the school year.

They are always on the lookout for new members so if you would be interested in joining the team, please email the school office or contact them directly via their Facebook page:

Westwood PTFA

## CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. This includes current address and telephone numbers.



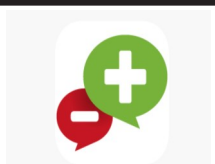
We MUST have two contact telephone numbers in case of an emergency.

## ALLERGY INFORMATION

We are a nut-free school - we have children who have allergies to a variety of different nuts as well as peanuts - and ask that parents check the ingredients of items in packed lunches, avoiding anything that states it contains nuts.

## PARENTMAIL

Please ensure you sign up to ParentMail, this is how you will receive ALL means of communication.



Please speak to the school office, if you have any problems - paper copies may be available upon request.

### Diary Dates

There will be more events taking place and we will let you know as soon as possible!

Monday 13th September – Friday 17th September	Book Fair in school
Wednesday 6th October & Thursday 7th October	Year 6 Bikeability
Monday 11th October	Flu Vaccinations
Monday 11th October	Individual School Photos
Tuesday 19th October	Year 6 'Discovering Darwin' event at Carlton Marshes
Wednesday 20th October	Year 5 'Discovering Darwin' event at Carlton Marshes
Friday 22nd October	Last day of the half term
Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October	Half Term Holidays
Monday 1st November	Children return to school
Tuesday 2nd & Wednesday 3rd November	Parent Interviews (online using School Cloud)

### Meet the teacher events

These will all be held via Zoom

Login details have been sent via ParentMail

EYFS – Tuesday 14th September @ 16:30 & 17:30

KS1 – Thursday 16th September @ 16:00 & 17:00

LKS2 – Tuesday 14th September @ 16:15 & 17:15

UKS2 – Thursday 16th September @ 16:00 & 17:00

## People who can help

In addition to your child's class teacher, who should always be your first point of contact, the following people are readily available to help you with any issue, if needed.



*Mrs Rae Aldous*  
Executive  
Headteacher



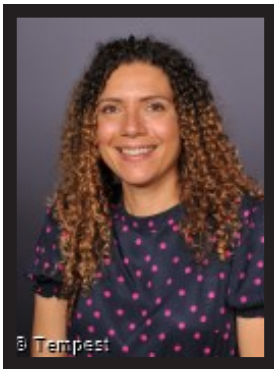
*Mrs Lauraine Barnes*  
Westwood  
Head of School



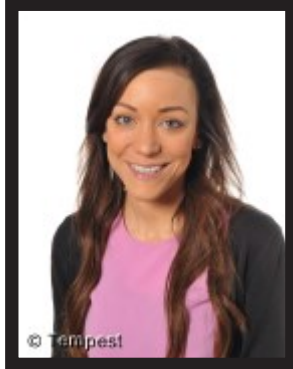
*Ms Louise Creed*  
Grove  
Head of School



*Miss Chloe Mansi*  
Parent and Pupil  
Support Advisor



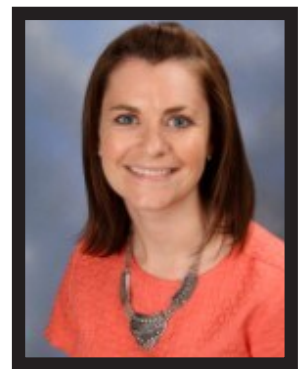
*Mrs Danielle Gillings*  
Assistant Headteacher  
EYFS Lead



*Miss Beth Jones*  
Assistant Headteacher  
KSI Lead



*Mrs Rachel Kounnas*  
Assistant Headteacher  
LKS2 Lead



*Mrs Kelly Hough*  
Assistant Headteacher  
UKS2 Lead



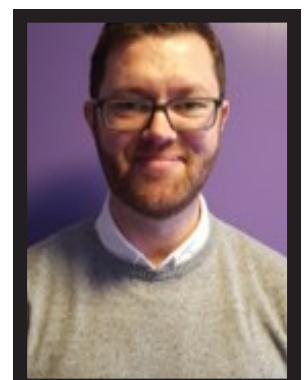
*Mrs Sarah Bayfield*  
SENDCo



*Mrs Kate Grey*  
Assistant SENDCo



*Mrs Jackie Cutchey*  
Chair of Governors



*Mr Stephen Clarke*  
Safeguarding  
Governor