

7th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: West Thornton Primary School Partial Closure

I am writing to inform you that due to a member of staff working at West Thornton Primary School testing positively for Coronavirus, we have had to delay the return to school of pupils in **Reception and Year 2 at Canterbury Road** for a further two weeks until Monday 21st September 2020.

Having taken advice from Public Health England, **some staff** at West Thornton (Canterbury Road site) will self-isolate, for a period of 14 days from Friday 4th September to Sunday 20th September.

The Canterbury Road site will be closed to all children for one day on Tuesday 8th September; we have organised for 'sanitation cleaning' to take place on that day so that when children do return, your child's classroom and learning spaces will be safe and clean.

All other year groups will be able to return to school as planned from Wednesday 9th September. Each year group's start date is indicated below:

Year 1	Wednesday 9 th September
Year 5	Wednesday 9 th September
Year 4	Thursday 10 th September
Year 3	Friday 11 th September

I would like to reassure you all that we will continue to monitor the situation closely and follow all guidance from Public Health England and the local authority. The Public Health England advice is precautionary to prevent the spread of the virus. A number of actions have taken place or are scheduled to. This includes:

- Informed Croydon local authority
- Written to all staff at West Thornton Academy
- Organised deep cleans for affected areas
- Plan home learning for Reception and Year 2 pupils from today - this will be communicated separately

We will continue to liaise with parents during the coming days. It is our strong desire to ensure we work closely with families so that pupils are both safe and provided with learning opportunities. We would ask that you keep in close contact with your child's school during the next two weeks and share any thoughts or concerns with your child's headteacher.

Yours sincerely



Rob Carpenter
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