

**Newsletter**

You may have heard this week's announcement that it is not yet safe to re-open schools fully from 22nd February, and instead there is a new plan to commence reopening from 8th March. I'm sure you will be missing school as much as we are missing you and this news may not have been welcome.

This new lockdown has seemed a lot harder than the first – I know that for many families you are feeling the added pressure this time around from the remote learning we are sending out.

Schools have been directed by the government to set a minimum of 3 hours of remote learning each day for Key Stage One children and 4 hours for Key Stage 2.

The staff at Tame Valley are working extremely hard everyday to produce teaching presentations and accompanying work for English, Maths and Topic. They look forward everyday to receiving the work back from their pupils and have been very impressed by the quantity and quality of work they are seeing.

As a parent or carer, you need to keep yourself mentally and physically healthy in order to care for your child and the children need to keep active too. Next week we are launching our 'Get Fit for February' competition - look out for your email on Monday morning.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher or the school if you need any support or have any questions or concerns. It will also be lovely to hear from you when things are going really well. Teachers are working incredibly hard at this difficult time and positive feedback is always a real boost.

As always, thank you for your continued support for the school.

Miss C Stokes
Head of School

NURSERY PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

We are currently in the process of allocating Nursery places for children who will be 3 before 31.08.2021 to start our morning Nursery in September 2021. If you would like your child's name to be added to the list, please contact the school via Class Dojo, phone us on 0121 464 4497 or email enquiries@tamevalley.uwmat.co.uk. This is of course free of charge as all children are entitled to 15 hours of Nursery provision in the year before they are due to start Reception. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, so it is important to get your child signed up as quickly as possible if you would like them to have a free place.

COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL

During this period of lockdown, when we are relying more than ever on digital communication with parents, it is important to protect the work-life balance of the teachers. Therefore, teachers will only read and respond to communications on Class Dojo or direct emails on working days (Monday—Friday) between the hours of 9.00am and 5.30pm.

Should parents need to contact the school urgently for any reason outside of these times, please email us: enquiries@tamevalley.uwmat.co.uk.

Thank you.



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