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Welcome Back !

Woodfield Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Autumn Newsletter

First Half - September 2016

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Hope you've all had a lovely summer. It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school last week.

Flood Update

As you are aware, we had a flood over the summer holidays which caused substantial damage to 2 classrooms. Y2 are currently being taught in the PE hall. We still have 2 classes (Maple and Olive), but additional staffing to ensure your children get off to a flying start.



Whole School Pantomime

We love to start our Christmas celebrations off with a whole school pantomime visit, but over the years, we have seen the cost of the visit increase. With this in mind, we are making it a 2 yearly event. Don't worry though, because every other year (this one included) we are bringing the pantomime to Woodfield! We have a professional theatre group booked for December, so watch this space!

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Road Safety

One of our Y6 pupils was knocked over close to school last week. We are pleased to say they are recovering well. We strongly recommend that you bring your children to school and collect them at the end of the day in Years 4, 5 and 6 to ensure their safety. We will be running some road safety workshops for children in Year 4 funded by DMBC.

All children from Nursery to Year 3 **must** be collected from school at the end of the day.



Reminders

Please return your up to date contact details and signed Home School Agreements as soon as possible, so we can update your details on our system.

Please note: we cannot let adults who are not identified on your contact details collect children. If there are any changes, please let the main office know.

MOBILE TELEPHONE NUMBERS CAN CHANGE REGULARLY. PLEASE INFORM US OF ANY CHANGES.



Holidays in Term Time

You will have no doubt heard/read the news regarding the issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices for holidays in term time. We will continue to follow guidance from the LA and Government and will still be un-authorising holidays and issuing Fixed Penalty Notices where attendance is not at a satisfactory level.

Please speak to our Attendance Officer, Michelle Boyes, should you have any queries or questions.

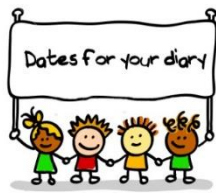
Please note below the external exam timetable for next academic year fixed by the Government (holidays will not be authorised during national testing):-

Year 1 – w/c 12th June 2017

Year 2 – May 2017

Year 6 – w/c 8th May 2017





Please see our diary on the school website for the yearly overview of dates to support you in planning your own diaries. More information will follow for some events.

<http://woodfieldprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/term-dates/>

1 st Sep	School CLOSED – Training Day
2 nd Sep	School CLOSED – Training Day
5 th Sep	School re-opens at 8.45am
6 th Sep	Breakfast Club re-opens at 8am
12 th Sep	After School Clubs re-start
13 th Sep	KS1 Guide Dogs visit
21 st Sep	KS2 Drug Awareness Talk
28 th Sep	KS1 visit to Eureka
28 th Sep	Y4 Road Safety Talk
3 rd Oct	Individual & Family Photo Day
4 th Oct	Y3 Reading Together
10 th Oct	Parents' Evening
11 th Oct	Parents' Evening
12 th Oct	KS1 Discovery Kitchen Visit
20 th Oct	Non uniform – Sports theme
21 st Oct	Training Day – School CLOSED
***	Half- Term – School CLOSED
31 st Oct	School & Breakfast Club re-opens
8 th Nov	Y5/6 Family Assembly
18 th Nov	Children in Need
28 th Nov	Pantomime – in school
1 st Dec	Christmas Market
5 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Carols (2pm)
6 th Dec	KS1 Christmas performance (9.30am)
6 th Dec	FS Christmas Performance (2pm)
7 th Dec	Y1, Y2 & Y3 Flu Vaccinations
7 th Dec	Rainbow Connection Choir (2pm)
8 th Dec	FS Christmas Performance (9.30am)
8 th Dec	Y5/6 Christmas Carols (2pm)
9 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Carols (9.30am)
9 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Performance (2pm)
12 th Dec	KS2 Christmas Party (PM)
13 th Dec	FS Christmas Party (PM)
14 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Party (PM)
15 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
15 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
16 th Dec	School closes for Christmas hols 3pm
***	Christmas Holidays – School CLOSED
2 nd Jan	Bank Holiday – School CLOSED
3 rd Jan	School re-opens at 8.45am
4 th Jan	Breakfast Club re-opens at 8am

There will always be some dates that we have to add or change, but we will endeavour to keep you informed.

Look out on the school website for the **2016-17 Academic School Dates** or ask at main reception for a hard copy.

SCHOOL CLOSES ON

Thursday 20th October 2016 at 3.00pm.

WE RE-OPEN ON

Monday 31st October 2016 AT 8.45am

(Please note: Breakfast Club starts on this day too at 8am.)

Parent Pay

We use a convenient way to pay for school meals and school visits. We use the secure service called ParentPay. For more information on ParentPay please visit www.parentpay.com, ask at main reception or look on our school website.



Packed Lunches

If you decide a packed lunch is the way forward, the two big challenges ahead are a) not to give in to pressure from your child to include 'unhealthy' elements such as sugary drinks and sweets and b) to avoid boring, repetitive ingredients.

Here's how you can do it:

1. Make packed lunch rules – e.g. no sweets – and stick to them. No deviations or little treats!
2. Have a healthy lunch formula. A good one is that every lunch must include a sandwich or savoury, a piece of fruit and a yoghurt or milk-based, low-fat dessert.
3. Give your child water. Water will be much more appealing if you can make sure it stays cold – it might be worth investing in a good lunchbox-sized flask.

DON'T FORGET DUE TO SERIOUS ALLERGIES IN SCHOOL WE OPERATE A NUT FREE POLICY



We look forward to working with you over this school year. We welcome your voice so why not join our Parents Forum or perhaps Friends of Woodfield to support us in the work of the school? If you are interested, please contact Mrs Watson or use the email link to leave a message parentsforum@woodfield.doncaster.sch.uk



