

Wood Ley Community Primary School

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Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the Christmas break, we hope the children all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for the Spring term. A huge thank you to you all for your generous contributions during our Christmas productions, we raised an enormous £587 to help the homeless. Major Beverley from the Salvation Army collected the money before the holidays and she was extremely grateful for your support.



Peter Pan Day!

The last day of term was certainly different this year with most of the children dressing up as characters from Peter Pan in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital. I know that Bea was amazed by the money we raised to support this amazing charity. There was a considerable amount of maths going on in the library counting and sorting the coins to reach a total of over £600. It was truly a season of giving at Wood Ley, thank you so much for your support.

100% Attendance Awards

During a term when several nasty bugs and viruses were lurking around, a huge well done to the 93 children who managed to attend school every day in the Autumn Term. Certificates were handed out on the last day of term to the lucky children, we are hoping to beat this score next term.



End of Term Pantomime

Thank you to the Friends of Wood Ley for organising an end of term pantomime treat for the children. It was lovely to hear their laughter ringing through the atrium as they joined in with the singing and festive jokes.

SATS Information Evening

With the current changes to the end of Key Stage 1 and 2 tests we are holding an information evening for parents on Thursday 4th February. The meeting will take place in the hall at 3.45.

Wood Ley Stars

- Hazel Class: Lara, Darcy, James, Isaac
- Acer Class: James, Arran
- Cedar Class: Connor, George, Tamara
- Poplar Class: Aiden, Taylor, Namita
- Maple Class: Adrian, Thaila, Oliver
- Beech Class: Jack, Connor
- Cherry Class: Bethany, Iyla, Brooke
- Oak Class: Lester, Freddie, Aiden, Darius
- Elm Class: George, Caiden, Jade

Congratulations to all children awarded Star of the Week detailed above..



Parent / Grandparent Helpers Wanted.

If you have an hour or so to spare we would really appreciate your help in school. We are looking for parents or grandparents to listen to children read across the school. Sharing a book with an adult is a valuable and rewarding experience which can have a dramatic impact on a child's progress. If you are interested in helping please let us know which days and times you are available to work with the children.

Gambia News

Miss Kay will be launching her annual collection for Gambia this term. She will be sharing news of the children we have helped over the past year in a collective assembly during the next few weeks. Please look out for further details on this project which will follow shortly.

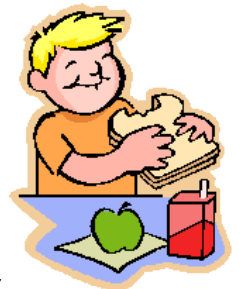
Congratulations !

Our sincere congratulations go to Mr and Mrs Douglas on the birth of their baby daughter Olivia who arrived on Christmas Eve. We wish them all every happiness.



Healthy Tuck Shop

The mid morning tuck shop has proved to be extremely popular with Upper Key Stage 2. At the request of some very hungry looking year 3 and 4 pupils we have decided to open the facility to Lower Key Stage 2. Healthy snacks such as milk shakes, pasta pots and savoury muffins will be available daily in the atrium after morning assembly. Each item is priced at 50p .



School Visits & Activities

Foundation Classes

The children will be learning about people who help us in the community throughout the spring term. If we have any parents who would like to come into school to talk to the children about their work helping others in our community we would love to work with you. Please speak to either Mrs Spinks or Mrs Castle to arrange a time .



Key Stage 1 Classes

The teachers have planned some exciting lessons for the children to learn about different types of transport.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Mayhew who will be working with Mrs Potter in Oak Class . The children have already had the pleasure of meeting Mrs Mayhew throughout the Autumn Term.

Lower Key Stage 2

The children are delighted to see Miss Watson back at school following her maternity leave. The children in Maple Class have certainly made her feel welcome and we are all looking forward to a productive term.

Upper Key Stage 2

Upper Key Stage 2 has been transported back into the times of Ancient Egypt, The teachers have been working hard preparing exciting plans and transforming the classrooms into historical tombs. I'm sure the children will thoroughly enjoy learning about the past.

As part of the Personal, Social , Health and Emotional development (PSHE) the children will be studying the world of work. If there are any parents who would like to come and talk to year 5 and 6 about their work then please contact Mr Grocott to arrange a convenient time.

St Elizabeth's Hospice Enterprise Project

The Enterprise Project organised by the year 5 and 6 pupils proved to be very successful, the school was buzzing with excitement. We were delighted to hand over £806 to St Elizabeth's Hospice. There will be special thank you celebration at the hospice during this month, further details will follow soon



Peer Supporters

Playtimes can be a tricky time for some children which can result in fall outs and friendship issues, we are delighted to announce we have some very helpful year 6 peer supporters who will be available to help and advise children experiencing some difficulties.

Diary Dates & Term Dates

JANUARY

Monday 4	P D Day
Tuesday 5	First Day of term
Friday 8	First meeting of School Council
Tuesday 19	Clubs to commence for Key Stage 2 and Year 2 children

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 2	Sign to Sing Music & Mindfulness Activity Morning
Thursday 4	3.20 – 3.45pm – Whole School Show & Share session (Literacy) – Foundation Stage Parents are welcome to visit Holly and Willow classes
Thursday 4	3.45pm – SATS Information meeting for Year 2 and Year 6 Parents
Monday 8	8.30 – 9.30am – School Nurse 'Drop-In' Session
Monday 8	Maths Curriculum Morning (Parents invited into school)
Tuesday 9	Last week of Wood Ley run Clubs
Friday 12	Friends of Wood Ley – Valentines Disco 6.00 – 7.00pm – Foundation and Key Stage 1 7.15 – 8.15pm – Key Stage 2

Monday 15 – Friday 19 (inclusive) – Half-term week

Wednesday 24	2.30pm – Parents' Forum – Year 6 Transition
Friday 26	Friends of Wood Ley – Quiz Night

Summer Term 2016 Monday 11 April – Thursday 21 July 2016

Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June (inclusive) – Half-term week

Please note that within the above dates, there are three non-pupil days:

Monday 11 April – Staff Professional Development Day, Monday 2 May – Bank Holiday
Friday 27 May – Staff Professional Development Day

Term Dates 2016/2017

Autumn Term 2016

Thursday 1 September – Tuesday 20 December 2016
(Half Term – Week commencing 24 October 2016)

Spring Term 2017

Wednesday 4 January – Friday 31 March 2017
(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 13 February 2017)

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18 April – Friday 21 July 2017
(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 29 May 2017)

Please note that from within the above dates, five non-pupil days will be determined by individual schools. The non-pupil days for Wood Ley School will be:

Thursday 1 September 2016
Friday 2 September 2016
Wednesday 4 January 2017
Tuesday 18 April 2017
Friday 26 May 2017

Mathematics Curriculum Morning

We would like to invite parents into school on Monday 8th February to share the new maths curriculum and in particular calculation methods used in school. There will be a brief description of the curriculum in the hall at 9.00 followed by an opportunity for you to work with your child in their maths lesson. A letter will follow to enable you to confirm your attendance.

