



Wood Ley Community Primary School



Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a lovely summer and enjoyed spending time together as a family. It was lovely to see all of the children arrive at school this morning, as they start the first day of term. I

can't remember ever seeing so many smiling excited faces. They have returned to school as if they haven't been away, following guidelines sensibly and asking lots of questions. Thank you for your understanding and compliance with the new arrangements for the start and end of the school day. The new procedures are in place to keep everyone as safe as possible. We will send out reminders of pick up and drop off locations and times again once the children transition into their new year groups on 21st September

Toilet Refurbishment

As you know we have been very busy over the summer break getting the school ready and we are really pleased with the end results. The children now have fully refurbished toilets which they are really happy about. Fingers crossed they stay this way for as long as possible.



Headteacher Awards 2020



Well done to the students who received the headteacher's award at the end of the school year. We are all extremely proud of their achievements and their outstanding contribution to Wood Ley School.

Foundation: Chloe

Year 1: Sophie

Year 2: Charlie

Year 3: Natalie

Year 4: Benjamin

Year 5: Druhan

Year 6 : Charlotte Buckle

Wood Ley Citizenship Award

A huge well done to Seth Peachment for achieving the Wood Ley Citizenship award. This was for his contributions to the school and consistently demonstrating our school values.

School Values

The school value for this half term is "kindness." We are very much looking forward to seeing who will be nominated by the it teacher for demonstrating this value over the next half term.

SEND Drop In Thursday 24th September 2.30

Mrs Spinks is looking forward to meeting parents at the next SEND drop in session in the library on **Thursday 24th September**. If you have issues you would like to raise with Mrs Spinks at the drop in please could you e mail her to arrange an appointment for the day.

Parent Feedback from Annual Reports

Thank you to the parents who responded to the feedback form attached to the annual report, we received 211 replies of which 95% of you felt the reports informed you about your child's progress. 99.1% of responses reported that they were easy to understand and 98% of the respondents found the effort grade useful, which was very encouraging. Thank you for the positive comments added recognising the hard work and commitment of the staff, they were greatly appreciated. We are very please that you are happy with your child's annual report..

Harvest Festival

We are extremely keen to keep you as involved as possible with school activities and celebrations.



We have arranged for a virtual Harvest Festival on **Friday 16th October**. We are planning to record the celebrations and share them with you . Further details will follow. We will continue to collect your kind donations on Friday 16th October which will be passed onto Stowmarket Food Bank.

Parents' Evening

We are planning to hold parents' evenings on 12th, 14th and 15th October. Further details will follow about booking a telephone appointment.

School Visits & Activities

Wellbeing Garden and Allotment Area



The children have already begun exploring the wellbeing garden and made plans for what they would like to grow in the allotment area. We have a potting shed and poly tunnel on the way to add to the excitement. The children are keen to start using the reading shed and developing the fairy garden. Thank you to Mr Cole for his hard work creating this fabulous space. It will be well used over the next term. Happy faces at lunchtime, enjoying spending time with their friends.



Diary Dates & Term Dates

September

Thursday 3rd September—First day of term for the children

Monday 14th September—GVP Clubs begin (6 weeks)

Monday 21st September—Children transition into their new classes

Thursday 24th September—SENDCO drop in session in the library (by appointment only)

Monday 28th September—New foundation children start school

October

Monday 12th October - 5-7pm Parents' Evening calls

Wednesday 14th October—3.45—5.15 Parents' Evening calls

Thursday 15th October—4-6pm Parents' Evening calls

Friday 16th October—Virtual Harvest Festival .

Term Dates 2020 / 2021

Autumn Term 2020

Tuesday 1st September—Friday 18th December
(Half Term – Week commencing 26 October 2020)

Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January—Friday 26th March 2021
(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 15 February 20201)

Summer Term 2021

Monday 12th April—Tuesday 20th July 2021
(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 31st May 2021)

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:

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Tuesday 5th January 2021

Monday 12th April 2021