

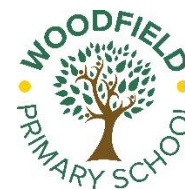


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Tuesday 12th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are fast approaching the end of the spring term – incredibly so – and I write to share with you changes to our staffing alongside wider school information and events.

As previously advised, Mrs McDermott leaves us this term to undertake a new role at Westacres Infant School. Mrs McDermott has worked at Woodfield for many years, and I am extremely appreciative of her commitment and excellent teaching and learning for her Year 1 class, working alongside Mrs Osbourne. We wish her continuing success in her new role.

We also say goodbye to Mrs Henry who has been a valued member of staff at Woodfield. Mrs Henry is leaving us to undertake a new role working as a hospital teacher, providing nurturing teaching and learning for children hospitalised for extended periods of time. We express our thanks to Mrs Henry for all her contribution to the life of Woodfield.

Whilst having to say goodbye to Mrs McDermott and Mrs Henry, we do look forward to welcoming Mrs Jones to our teaching team who will take shared responsibility for Class 1OM. Mrs Jones is an experienced class teacher and I am extremely pleased that she applied for and accepted our offer to join the Woodfield family. Mrs Jones has a wealth of experience and I look forward to seeing the blossoming relationships which will develop between children and herself.

Similarly, we welcome Miss Walker to be the replacement teacher of 2H. Miss Walker will be returning from maternity leave and having worked at Woodfield previously, she is looking forward to resuming her role as teacher. Miss Walker has already met the children is keen to start the new term and is excited to get to know the children and continue leading their Year 2 learning journey.

Comic Relief



Comic Relief is this coming Friday (15th March) and we invite children to wear their own clothes. This is such a national-themed day and given the humour, which is attached to the day, I would like to invite all children to bring a joke into school on Thursday to share with their peers. Adopting a 'clapometer', each class will choose their favourite joke to share in Friday's Celebration (Star of the Week) Assembly. During a normal school day, children often share a joke with me – often a knock knock joke - which on many occasions is made up, and therefore, I look forward to hearing the children's jokes and to sharing each class's favourite joke within each of our celebration assemblies: Years 1, 2 and 3 at 8.55am and Years 4, 5 and 6 at 2.45pm. I thank you in anticipation in helping to be your child's judge for deciding their favourite joke to share!

As a national charity event, we kindly ask for a voluntary donation of £1 for the opportunity for children to wear their own clothes. This can be paid via ParentPay or by cash on the day. Thank you for your support and we will publish the children's favourite jokes via Class Dojo.



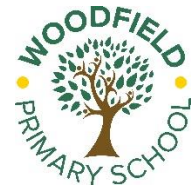


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Maths Workshops

You will be aware from previous letters of the invitation to join your child's year group to participate in a modelled lesson – working alongside your child. This will be a typical lesson which your child experiences every day at Woodfield. The lesson will take place within the junior hall, and we hope as many of you as possible will be able to join us. I thank you to-date if you have joined the Year 2 and 4 workshops. To prepare the hall as a classroom, we kindly ask you to return the reply slip so that we can anticipate tables and chairs to facilitate your working alongside your child. Thank you.

Recalling our recent Ofsted inspection, maths was quickly identified as a particularly strong subject and therefore, we would really like to share a lesson with you and do hope you will be able to join us. If you do not have the original reply slip, please simply write a note to your child's classteacher expressing your wish to join us for the event. Thank you.

World Book Day

What a super day World Book Day was at Woodfield last week! On behalf of all staff, I would like to thank the children for their incredible enthusiasm and energy in participating in the day's events. Once again, staff were extremely proud of the children's working commitment and enjoyment of the day's activities. Mrs Andrew and Miss White, who are responsible for reading and English throughout the school, were ecstatic and enthralled with all children's responses. Whilst there was a host of activities planned, I would also like to thank you if you either volunteered time to help during the day or attended the after-school sharing of stories whilst partaking in refreshments including hot chocolate. The day was memorable in so many ways and we thank everyone for their support.

One of the day's activities was the creative planning and depiction of a favourite book on each classroom door. Once again, I marvelled at staff and children's imaginative and creative thinking and designing. Following, are a few of the designs; I am sure you will agree with me – they are truly wonderful.





Once again, this is another aspect of the life of Woodfield which makes it such a special place. Thank you.

School Uniform and Expectations

I would like to thank you for your support in adhering to our school uniform policy.

School uniform is particularly powerful in providing children with a sense of identify and belonging along with representation of school's expectations. We, therefore, thank you for following our guidelines.

As a reminder, on days when children are wearing full school uniform, trainers must not be worn; children must wear black shoes. Trainers can be worn when your child/ren is/are dressed in their PE kits consisting of black joggers, white t-shirt and black sweat top or hoodie.

If your circumstances make it difficult for you to provide your child with school uniform, please ask to speak to either Mr Byrne (Pastoral Officer), Mrs Cattell (Deputy Headteacher) or me; we will be glad to help where we can. Thank you.

Attendance and Punctuality

Referring to the Ofsted inspection again, attendance and punctuality was inspected, and I would like to thank you for ensuring your child is in school on time, every day and ready to learn. Our current attendance is above national average. Punctuality, however, remains a concern for some children. The information following provides guidance for children arriving late at school and the number of days this can equate to during the course of a school year.

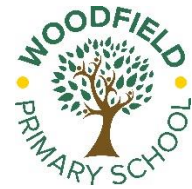


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Typical lateness of 5 minutes each day	3 days lost
10 minutes	6.5 days
15 minutes	10 days
20 minutes	13 days
30 minutes	19 days



It is therefore imperative, children arrive on time and are ready to learn...all becoming an attendance hero!

New Pastoral Officer

For information, a new member of staff has joined our team: Mr Byrne. He has joined us as Pastoral Officer, replacing Miss Price. Mr Byrne has a wealth of experience of working with children and young adults requiring nurturing support, and he has already started introducing himself to children and meeting with them to support and nurture their emotional wellbeing.

Mr Byrne has also reinstated the Pop-in sessions at lunchtime, an opportunity for children in Years 3-6 to pop into the hall for some quiet, mindfulness time. We are aware that whilst break times are fun and provide opportunity for playing games with friends etc, there are times when a quiet environment is welcoming after a busy morning of lessons. We encourage children to be independent in choosing to access the Pop-in and so far, it has proved to be very popular with many children, choosing to sit quietly with friends, undertake some mindfulness colouring, craft activities or simply a time to enjoy some peacefulness with a book.

You will see Mr Byrne on duty at the start and end of the day outside school and if you would like to introduce yourself or speak to him, please do so. Mr Byrne is available to support children but also any concerns you may have about the wellbeing of your child/ren.

Woodfield Welcomes You Coffee Morning

Last Friday, we held our first coffee meeting – an opportunity to meet Mrs Cattell and Mr Byrne - but also to learn of ways we can support children and families beyond your child's in-class learning. Thank you to all parents who attended; we are very keen to lead further monthly meetings and we are currently gathering dates of future meetings and themes. If you would like to join our themed coffee mornings, please look out for the next flyer advertising on Class Dojo, the date and time. We are planning this to be the second Friday of each month. If you would like something added to the meeting themes, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Cattell. Thank you.

Finally, thank you for your continuing support and as a school, we are overwhelmed with your congratulatory messages and emails following the publication of our Ofsted report...THANK YOU.

Best wishes,

S Arnold

Executive Headteacher

