WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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Tickets are now sold out for the Winter Ball on Monday 9th

Families are invited to ... **Nursery & Reception Shows** Tuesday 10th at 2.15pm Wednesday 11th at 9.30am

Little Oaks Party Thursday 12th (this is also the last session)

Year 6 WWII Christmas Experience Friday 13th from 9.30am to 11.00

Other dates ... 9/11 Y6 Bikeability starts 11/12 Football v Goldbeaters 11/12 Netball v Deansbrook 12/12 Christmas Lunch

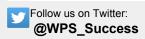
Festive Party Days .. 16/12 Y1, Y3 & Y4 Parties 17/12 Y2, Y5 & Y6 Parties 17/12 Nursery will now hold their party on Tuesday 17th 18/12 Reception Parties

Remember: children can come to school in party clothes on the day of their party!

18/12 Nursery last day

Last Day of Term Thursday 19th December School Closes at 2.00pm

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PSHE Theme

In school we are thinking about: Wellbeing



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6th December 2019

Wonderful Festive Shows

We have enjoyed two fantastic Christmas shows this week from Year 1 and Year 2. On Tuesday and Wednesday Year 2 performed ...



And on Thursday and Friday Year 1 took to the stage ...



The singing, acting, dancing and costumes of all the children never fail to impress. A big well done to all of the pupils and staff in Key Stage 1. We now look forward to Nursery and Reception next week.

A Sad Goodbye

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Cam at the end of term. Mrs Cam, who currently shares class 1CP with Mrs Patel has decided to leave teaching to spend more time with her young family. We will miss her greatly and wish her well for the future.

And a Warm Welcome Back

We have appointed Miss Seth-Smith to take over shared responsibility for Class CP. Miss Seth-Smith previously worked at Woodcroft, but leaving us to qualify as a teacher and then work at nearby Broadfields School. We are looking forward to welcoming her back to Woodcroft. The children will get a chance to meet their new class teacher before the end of term.

Bikeability Training for Year 6 Pupils



Bikeability training for our Year 6 pupils will be taking place next week from Monday 9th to Friday 13th December. If you have signed up, please bring your bike on Monday and our

Bikeability team will carry out checks and minor repairs. A warm waterproof jacket is a necessity for training throughout the week.

Reception Class Applications for 2020

Parents of children in Nursery should now be completing their eAdmissions application for Reception Class in September 2020. Get it done before the January deadline!





Christmas Cards

The Christmas Post Box can be found in the main entrance. We ask that all cards are distributed using this post-box as children are not allowed to hand them out during the school day.

Car Park Entrance - No Entry To Parents

Can we remind parents and carers that we have an agreement that cars are not allowed down the Wolsey Grove (back car park) single lane entrance when dropping off children. This is for a number of reasons:

- Safety It is very narrow and used by our youngest children.
- Access The lane cannot be blocked for emergency services and deliveries.
- Respect So our neighbours are not prevented from getting on and off their driveways.

We encourage parents to park a short distance from the school and walk the rest of the way - this also supports our healthy school initiatives.

Please do not use this part of Wolsey Grove for drop off or collections. Thank you

Clubs Information

Clubs do not run in the last week of term unless otherwise informed. Therefore, next Friday 13th December will be the last day of regular clubs until January. Only Acorns After-School Club will continue running until the penultimate day of term, Wednesday 18th December. Clubs will restart during the week beginning 13th January 2020. Breakfast Club and Acorns will run as normal from the start of term in January.

Winter Ball Disco - Monday 9th December 2019

Ticket purchasing for our Winter Ball Disco on Monday 9th December closes at 4.00pm today. Please take note of the collection times:

Y1 to Y3 Winter Ball Y4 to Y6 Winter Ball

3.15pm to 4.30pm (disco clothes can be brought to school in a bag) 5.15pm to 6.30pm



Time Tables Rock Stars Battle of the Bands for Y3 to Y6

Classes have been battling it out to prove who is **Y** 3V the fastest and most accurate at recalling their times tables. Congratulations to 3V who are now the current overall champions having scored the most points. They were just ahead of 6G, 5M and **4G** who won their respective year group tournaments.



The Birthday Book Club

Thank you to all of the pupils who have enjoyed recent birthdays and joined the Birthday Book Club by donating books for the Library. We would like to wish a



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5R

6J

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10.910 15.000

15.349 5.103

16,636 1,892

4B

5M

6G

very Happy Birthday to... Sara (Y3) age 8, Tonni (Y3) age 8, Parker (Y1) age 6

Whole School Attendance ₽ 95.5%₽ Aiming for 96%

Weekly Class Attendance Champions

Week Beginning 25th November 2019 KS1 Class of the week: 1CP 95.2% Well Done KS2 Class of the week: 3V 98.6% TOP Class!



PARTY FOOD GUIDANCE

At the end of term pupils will be celebrating with their annual Christmas Class Parties. This is a time for some festive fun and games. Food is an important part of any celebration, and families traditionally send in a plate of food for sharing. **We would like this tradition to continue at Woodcroft**. However, in school we have a number of important things to consider. These include children with allergies, vegetarian and religious diets, safe food preparation, government healthy eating guidance and the school food policy. *If only life was simple!* We do have a number of pupils with **severe nut allergies** currently in school, so we have to take these considerations <u>very seriously</u>.

Please note: If you DO NOT wish your child to participate in the food aspect of a class party please let your class teacher know in writing. We recommend that parents who withdraw their child from sharing food at parties send in a separately labelled lunch box with party food items for their child. These individual party box items must still follow the checklist below:

Party food checklist:

- Only provide items that DO NOT contain nuts Woodcroft is a NUT FREE school
- No chocolate or chocolate products e.g. chocolate cakes and spreads
- No fizzy drinks
- Fruit juices should not contain added sugar
- Only supply pre-packed cakes and biscuits that come with ingredient lists (*So that means <u>no</u> home baked cakes even though they are the best!*)
- Please avoid cakes or items that require cutting in school

Suggested party food:

- Sausage rolls or veggie sausage Rolls
- Sausages / veggie sausages
- Samosas / spring rolls (vegetable is best then everyone can share)
- Pizza
- Sandwiches (various fillings) no nut or chocolate spreads please
- Crisps and Popcorn
- Salad items cherry tomatoes / mini cucumbers / carrot sticks
- Small fruit (satsumas, small bananas, washed cut grapes, etc)
- Non chocolate biscuits or individual cakes (in packaging with an ingredients label)

We understand the difficulties; however schools have got to consider the well-being of every individual. Thank you for your understanding and support on this matter.

Reminder about Birthday Bags and Treats: Please do not send in cakes & sweets for birthdays

Because of severe food allergies and individual dietary requirements we need to closely monitor all food in school. Unfortunately, this poses a problem when birthday treats are brought in – often late in the day! For class parties

staff specially set aside time to monitor the food items. However, this cannot be maintained or guaranteed on a daily basis in a busy classroom. We therefore ask parents **NOT to send in sweets and cakes as birthday treats**. We realise that this can be frustrating, however please understand that teachers are responsible for the health of all of the 30 children in their class! For this reason we promote our **Birthday Book Club** scheme instead of sweets.

Reminder: Children can come to school in party clothes on the day of their party. A suitable coat and shoes for break time and lunch are essential!





CONGRATULATIONS to THE HOWLING WOLVES OF 6G! They have been the busiest over the past two weeks and reclaimed 1st place overall with an outstanding 7923 hours of activity over the term. Well done to **3V Diving Dolphins in second place**, who were the team to catch for so long, with a fantastic final total of 4741 hours. The bronze medal, and highest placed KS1 class, with an amazing 3594 hours of activity is awarded to 2B's Powerful Penguins. The Travel Tokyo website has also awarded 3V and 6J Top effort badges this week for achieving their activity targets!

Mr Tallon will be awarding prizes to the top 3 teams next week. But everyone who took part is a winner because you are now healthier than you were at the start of the term - keep it up!

We will be taking part in more Olympic Themed Events in the new year to keep us active and healthy!

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