# WOODCROFT WEEKLY

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**Together Towards Success** 

# New on the website

Lots to look out for on our website:

• Extreme Weather Guide

### **Twitter**



### **NHS Advice**





### **PSHE Theme**

In school we are thinking about ...

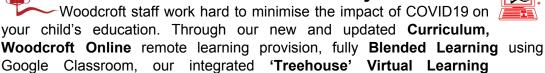
### **Healthy Eating**



### Message from Mr Tallon

First of all could I apologise for this being the first edition of the Woodcroft Weekly this term. The delay was due to my absence from school due to COVID19. My wife was diagnosed with covid pneumonia on 4th January and admitted to hospital. Her condition deteriorated rapidly and she was transferred to Papworth Hospital in Cambridge, a specialist respiratory centre. Fortunately, she responded to treatment and regained the capacity to breath without oxygen. This enabled her to be discharged from hospital. She is thankfully now back home but remains very unwell. You will understand that my ability to cover school duties continues to be restricted. For the next few weeks I will continue on reduced hours while my wife gets back on her feet. Mr Russell in my temporary absence, takes responsibility for the day to day running of the school. I will focus my work on developing our remote curriculum and other aspects of school governance.

### Woodcroft Online Our Continuity Curriculum



Environment, extensive suite of Independent Learning Apps and excellent Technical Support via email

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# Remote Learning Engagement - GO GREEN!

During periods of remote learning every child's online engagement is tracked. We aim for pupils to go green ...

# GO GREEN!

Red.

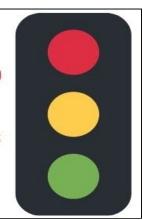
No comments, little work completed - the school is getting worried about your child.

Amber:

You are visible online and have completed work on some (but not all) days of the week.

Green:

Completing ALL work and being visible online EVERY day!



### **New School Lighting Project**

Next week Woodcroft will be undergoing a £60,000 new lighting project in school. This is part of a government decarbonisation scheme and is entirely FREE to our school. It follows a successful bid that we submitted last year, and means that not only will we get state of the art LED lighting we will also save around £8000 per year in energy costs that we can then use to support pupil



learning! The contractors work within strict COVID secure practices and will NOT be in contact with any members of school pupils or staff

# **School Term and Holiday Dates for 2021**

**SPRING TERM 1 PUPILS RETURN Tuesday 5 January 2021** 

Half Term School Holiday Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February

SPRING TERM 2 Monday 22 February - Wednesday 31 March

Last Day of Term Wednesday 31 March (Nursery Finishes Tuesday 30 March)

Easter School Holiday Thursday 1 April - Friday 16 April

### **SUMMER 2021**

**SUMMER TERM 1 PUPILS RETURN Monday 19 April 2021** 

May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on 3 May

Half Term School holiday Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June

**STAFF TRAINING** Monday 7 June (School Closed)

SUMMER TERM 2 PUPILS RETURN Tuesday 8 June 2021

Last Day of Term Friday 23 July (Nursery Finishes Thursday 22)

### **AUTUMN 2021**

**STAFF TRAINING** Wednesday 1, Thursday 2, Friday 3 September (School Closed)

**AUTUMN TERM 1 PUPILS RETURN Monday 6 September 2021** 

Half Term School Holiday Monday 25 October - Friday 29 October

**AUTUMN TERM 2** Monday 1 November - Friday 17 December

**Last Day of Term** Friday 17 December (*Nursery Finishes Thursday 16 December*)

Christmas School Holiday Monday 20 December - Monday 3 January (Staff Training 4 January)

**PUPILS RETURN Wednesday 5 January 2022** 

# Advice for parents during coronavirus

Whilst coronavirus is infectious to children it is rarely serious. If your child is unwell it is likely to be a non-coronavirus illness, rather than coronavirus itself.

Whilst it is extremely important to follow Government advice to stay at home during this period, it can be confusing to know what to do when your child is unwell or injured. Remember that NHS 111, GPs and hospitals are still providing the same safe care that they have always done. Here is some advice to help:



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### If your child has any of the following:

- · Becomes pale, mottled and feels abnormally cold to the touch
- Has pauses in their breathing (apnoeas), has an irregular breathing pattern or starts grunting
- · Severe difficulty in breathing becoming agitated or unresponsive
- · Is going blue round the lips
- · Has a fit/seizure
- Becomes extremely distressed (crying inconsolably despite distraction), confused, very lethargic (difficult to wake) or unresponsive
- Develops a rash that does not disappear with pressure (the 'Glass test')
- · Has testicular pain, especially in teenage boys

### You need urgent help:

Go to the nearest A&E department or phone 999



### If your child has any of the following:

- Is finding it hard to breathe including drawing in of the muscles below their lower ribs, at their neck or between their ribs (recession) or head bobbing
- Seems dehydrated (dry mouth, sunken eyes, no tears, drowsy or passing less urine than usual)
- Is becoming drowsy (excessively sleepy) or irritable (unable to settle them with toys, TV, food or picking up) - especially if they remain drowsy or irritable despite their fever coming down
- · Has extreme shivering or complains of muscle pain
- Babies under 3 months of age with a temperature above 38°C / 100.4°F
- Infants 3-6 months of age with a temperature above 39°C / 102.2°F
- For all infants and children with a fever above 38°C for more than 5 days.
- Is getting worse or if you are worried
- · Has persistent vomiting and/or persistent severe abdominal pain
- · Has blood in their poo or wee
- Any limb injury causing reduced movement, persistent pain or head injury causing persistent crying or drowsiness

## You need to contact a doctor or nurse today.

Please ring your GP surgery or call NHS 111 - dial 111

The NHS is working for you.

However, we recognise during the current coronavirus crisis at peak times, access to a health care professional may be delayed.

If symptoms persist for 4 hours or more and you have not been able to speak to either a GP or 111, then take your child to the nearest A&E



### If none of the above features are present

- You can continue to provide your child care at home. Information is also available on NHS Choices
- Additional advice is available to families for coping with crying of well babies
- Additional advice is available for children with complex health needs and disabilities.



Continue providing your child's care at home. If you are still concerned about your child, call NHS 111 - dial 111









### 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 their Class Library.



