

Weekly Newsletter

Dream big, fly high



Instagram

We love sharing the exciting learning experiences and achievements taking place across Woodford Primary School with our school community. One of the ways we do this is through Instagram, where staff regularly share photographs and updates from the classroom, around school, and during educational visits.

Each cohort has its own Instagram account, labelled by their current year group, which follows them on their journey through school from Pre-School to Year 6. All accounts are private, meaning that only approved followers can view the content.

If you are not currently following your child(ren)'s class Instagram account, please request access to the relevant account(s) and complete the [form](#) with your details so that we can verify your identity.

[@wps_preschool](#) [@wps_reception](#) [@wps_year1](#)
[@wps_year2](#) [@wps_year3](#) [@wps_year4](#)

Once your account has been verified and approved by the school, your follow request will be accepted and you will gain access to the feed. Please ensure that all follow requests and verification details are submitted by **Monday 12th October**.

Free School Meals

Free School Meals (FSM) are provided for children in Stockport MBC in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Starting in September 2026, FSM eligibility for pupils in Pre-School and Years 3-6 has expanded. To find out if you are now eligible for FSMs, follow this link: [Apply for free school meals](#)

The School Office

As our school continues to grow, our administrative team duties are increasing significantly. To minimise disruption to learning and to the running of the School Office, we request that parents and carers ensure children are fully equipped for their day in school, including daily essential items such as coats, lunchboxes, water bottles as well as items needed for enrichment activities such as Forest School and football kits, for example. To minimise disruption, a 'Drop Off' basket will be available in the foyer for any items, on occasion, that are dropped off after the start of the school day. Please ensure that all items are clearly **labelled with your child's full name and class**.

Should you need to contact the School Office, please send a message via the MCAS App or call 0161 549 7100. Any attachments, such as medical appointment letters, should be emailed separately to admin@woodfordprimary.org.uk.

If collection arrangements change, please notify us by 12pm so we can inform class teachers and Kids Club (where applicable).

Reception Curriculum Information

The Reception Curriculum Information Session will take place on **Wednesday 23rd September** at **4pm** and will be held in the Reception classroom.

We will share information about the Reception curriculum and how you can support learning at home. This session is for parents/carers so please make alternative arrangements for your child if you are planning to join us.

We hope to see you there, however we appreciate that not everyone will be able to attend at this time so we will publish the slides used during the meeting on our school website.

School Leadership

For most queries, your child's class teacher should be your first point of contact. You are welcome to speak with them at drop-off or collection, or contact the School Office via the MCAS App to arrange a call or meeting.

As Head of School, Mrs Drake is the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), and Mrs Calthorpe, Assistant Head of School, is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL). Mrs Facer is the school's SENDCo and is based at Woodford on Tuesdays.

To contact a member of the leadership team, please send a message via the MCAS App.

Allergy Aware

We have pupils in school who live with the risk of anaphylaxis linked to dairy and nuts. If you are sending any food into school in a packed lunch, please ensure that it does not contain nuts or food that may contain nuts. Children in Year 3 and 4 are invited to bring in a fruit or bread-based snack to consume during morning break, this snack should not contain dairy. Thank you for all your support.

Parking and Road Safety

As our school community continues to grow and the site becomes increasingly busy, we respectfully ask everyone to consider their journey to and from school.

Please use the designated footpaths at all times when moving around the school grounds.

Parents should not use the turning circle at the front of the school during peak drop-off and collection times (8.45am, 3.15pm and 4.15pm). This area must remain clear to ensure the safe movement of pupils. If you need to drive to school, please park considerately and legally, with the safety of our children, families and neighbours in mind.



Important Dates

- 15th Sept Year 1 Forest School sessions start
- 15th Sept Individual school photographs
- 23rd Sept Year 2 Step Outside Road Safety
- 23rd Sept Reception Curriculum Information Session for Parents
- 28th Sept School Tour for 2027 intake
- 5th Oct School Tour for 2027 intake
- 12th Oct School Tour for 2027 intake
- 13th Oct SEND Champions Coffee Morning
- 14th Oct Parent Council meeting

For a full summary of 2026/27 dates over the year, our Annual Planner can be viewed here



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness