WOODFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Weekly Newsletter

Dream big, fly high

Welcome Back

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school after the half-term break. The children have returned with great enthusiasm and have quickly settled back into their learning and school routines and we look forward to another busy and successful half term!

A highlight this week has been the new trim trail, which was installed during the break. The children have absolutely loved exploring the new equipment, developing their confidence, balance and coordination while enjoying active play with their friends. We have introduced clear routines and expectations to ensure that everyone can use the trim trail safely and enjoyably, and the children have responded brilliantly.

A huge thank you goes to our fantastic PTA for organising and funding this wonderful addition to our school grounds. With a significant cost of over £11,000, the trim trail has been a big investment in our children's play and wellbeing. We are incredibly grateful to everyone in our school community whose generous contributions, fundraising efforts and support have helped make this project possible. We know it will be enjoyed by children for many years to come!

PTA AGM

The success of projects like this is only possible because of the dedication of our PTA volunteers. If you would like to support future improvements and exciting opportunities for our children, please consider attending the PTA AGM on Wednesday 25th November at 8pm via Microsoft Teams. New members, ideas and support are always warmly welcomed. Contact Hayley, Nick or Gemma for the Teams link.

Music Mark Recognition Award 2026-2027

We are delighted to announce that our school has been awarded the Music Mark School Membership Award for 2026-2027 in recognition of our dedication to ongoing improvement in music education.

This award celebrates our commitment to ensuring that music plays an important role in both the curriculum and the wider creative life of our school.

We are incredibly proud of this achievement and would like thank all of our staff for the musical opportunities they provide for the children and a special thank you to Mrs Bloor for all her enthusiasm leading our Music curriculum. We look forward to continuing our musical journey and look forward to sharing this with you in the up-and-coming **Christmas performances**:

EYFS (Pre-School and Reception) – Tue 8th December, 9.30am performance in the school hall

Year 1 & Year 2 – Wed 16th December, 9.30am performance in the school hall

Year 3 – Mon 14th December, 9.15am Carol Service at Christ Church – please note the change in time to allow for a better audience experience

Year 4 – Mon 14th December, 2pm Carol Service at Christ Church

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Avro Poet Book Launch Event

We have been delighted to have Christine Roseeta Walker, writer and poet-in-residence at the Avro Heritage Museum, working with children across our school. During her residency, Christine has led engaging workshops, encouraging pupils to explore poetry, develop their creative-writing skills and discover the power of language and storytelling.

AVRO HERITAGE MUSEUM



The launch of Christine's new poetry collection, Everything Unknown, will take place on **Saturday 14th November from 1.30pm** at the Avro Heritage Museum. Everything Unknown is the culmination of Christine's six-month residency, drawing upon archive research and museum collections. The event will include readings from the book in the Lancaster Room, followed by a book signing.

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Family Hub Survey

Stockport's Family Hub want to understand what families know about **One Stockport Family Hubs** and how they use the services available.

There is a short online survey which takes less than five minutes, and your feedback will help shape the future development of Family Hubs.

The survey, which can be found **here**, is open until 13th November and everyone who completes the survey will have the chance to win a £50 Amazon voucher.

Reception Applications September 2027

Applications are open for our 2027 cohort! If you, or anyone you know, have a child who will be of Reception age next academic year, they can apply for a place with us through Stockport Council's online education portal which can be accessed **here**.

For anyone new to the school community, we run weekly school tours which take place on Mondays at 9.30am. Tour places can be booked via our website **here**.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We are proud to support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal once again this year, with items available from the main entrance for children and families who would like to make a donation and show their support.

The children can purchase as many items as they would like throughout the week until all items have been sold.

Important Dates

9th Nov	School tour for 2027 intake
9th Nov	Pre-School applications for September 2027 open
10th Nov	SFP Review Meetings
16th Nov	Anti Bullying Week – wear odd socks to school
16th Nov	School tour for 2027 intake
18th Nov	Pre-School Curriculum Evening



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


Bravery


Citizenship


Curiosity


Gratitude


Integrity


Kindness