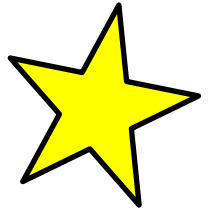
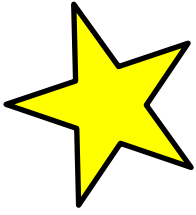




# Woodhall School News



January 2016



## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

...and welcome back to school, everyone! The Spring Term is well underway, with children working hard towards their AMP targets (a copy of which was sent home before Christmas). If you have any questions about your child's targets, please ask their class teacher. You will have a chance to discuss your child's progress in more depth at our February parents' evenings - please see the diary dates on the following page.

*School dinners are DELICIOUS!* And just to prove it, Maxine and Michelle (our fantastic cooks) will be going 'off menu' on THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY to provide a very special lunch for the children...**SUCCULENT SAUSAGES, MARVELLOUS MASH, and PERFECT PEAS**, all served up in a huge, **YUMMY YORKSHIRE PUDDING!** Don't miss out on this mouth-watering meal! If your child normally brings a packed lunch, why not encourage them to try a school dinner on this day? *And remember... RECEPTION, YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 children get all of this COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE!*

If you are in receipt of benefits and therefore qualify for free school meals - even if your child is in KS1 and would be eligible for a free school meal anyway - **PLEASE REMEMBER TO REGISTER THIS INFORMATION AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.** Doing so enables the school to receive extra funding, which we are then able to put towards continuing to support the children's learning in a multitude of different ways. If you don't wish your child to have a free school meal, but you do receive benefits, *you can still register with the school* so that we receive extra money. To see whether you would qualify for free school meals, please go to <http://www.hertsdirect.org/services> and search 'Free school meals'. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks for your support in getting children to school even when they are feeling under the weather. If your child needs to be given medication whilst at school, Sue is happy to do so, but **we MUST have a letter giving us parental permission.** Without written permission, we cannot give your child any medicine. Please include the dosage (how many times/how much) and for how long your child will need to take the medication.

However, if your child has *been sick*, they must not return to school until they have gone **24 hours without being sick**, in order to prevent the spread of sick bugs and germs. Thank you!



## GIVE US A RING...



...and let the office know if you have changed your contact telephone number. We have great difficulty in getting hold of parents/carers at times, because numbers have changed. If your child is sick or has hurt themselves; or if we need to text you or speak to you...we need your number!

## CALLING ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 6 PUPILS!

As you know, our current Year 6 pupils will be the first group to sit the SATs under the new curriculum, which has introduced big changes across the subjects. We will be holding a meeting to talk to parents of Year 6s about these changes, and to give advice about how best to support the children, on THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY at 3pm. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. Thank you.



## WORLD BOOK DAY 2016



Although World Book Day officially falls on 3<sup>RD</sup> March, at Woodhall we will be celebrating on **FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH**. The children will take part in various book-themed classroom activities, and we will also be coming to school in World Book Day fancy dress. This year, our dressing up theme is **ANIMALS FROM STORIES**. The children will discuss the theme in their classes

to give them some ideas, but here are a few to get you thinking... *The Bad-Tempered*

*Ladybird, The 101 Dalmatians, the Hungry Caterpillar, Fantastic Mr.Fox, The Tiger Who Came to Tea, Paddington Bear, the creatures from James and the Giant Peach, the Enormous Crocodile...and the list goes on, and on!*





# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



DATE	EVENT	TIME
14.1.16	Year 6 Parents' Meeting	3pm
21.1.15	Sausage & Mash Special School Dinner	Lunchtime
1.2.16	Year 2 History Day (in school) 'The Big House' (Victorians)	All day
11.2.16	Year 4 trip to Cassiobury Park - mapwork/orienteering.	Leaving @ 9am
<b>15.2-19.2.16</b>	<b>HALF TERM WEEK</b>	
23.2.16	Parents' Evening	4.30-7pm
24.2.16	Parents' Evening	3.45-6pm
24.2.16	Year 5 and Year 6 Sports afternoon (in school)	Afternoon
26.2.16	Y6 Class Assembly	9am start
29.2.16	'Parent Patter...' Morning meeting	Letter to follow
1.3.16	Year 3 trip - Chiltern Open Air Museum	Leaving @ 9am
3.3.16	Y5 Class Assembly	9am start
4.3.16	Woodhall World Book Day Dress-Up	All day
8.3.16	Year 5 trip - Cutty Sark	Leaving @ 9am
11.3.16	Y2 Class Assembly	9am start
14.3.16	Year 4 Sports afternoon @ The Centre	Afternoon - back by hometime
17.3.16	Year 1 Class Assembly	9am start
18.3.16	Sports Relief Day - sponsored event	Letter to follow
24.3.16	Easter Bonnet Parade	9am
<b>25.3-28.3 EASTER WEEKEND (NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> OR MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup>)</b>		
29.3.16	Year 3 and Year 4 Performance	6pm
31.3.16	Open Classrooms	1.15pm
31.3.15	End of Term - EARLY FINISH	2pm
<b>PLEASE NOTE...YEAR 6 SATs will be from MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY-THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY. ALL YEAR 6 PUPILS MUST BE IN SCHOOL.</b>		