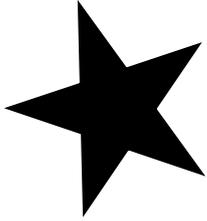




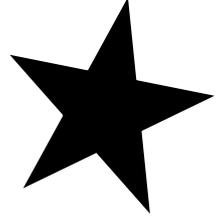
Woodhall School News



September 2018



Welcome back, everyone!



...and an extra special Woodhall welcome to our new children: Jason, Daniel, Izzy, Victor, Harrison, Alex, Alex, Nancy, Peehu and all of our new Nursery! We hope that being part of our Woodhall family will help you to be **THE BEST** that you can be! You will also see some new adult faces around the school. We are pleased to welcome **Mrs Roby**, our new Reception teacher/Assistant Head (some of you may remember Mrs Roby as she was a teacher at Woodhall a long time ago!), **Miss Edmonds**, our student teacher in Reception, and **Mr. Hancock** in Year 3 (who was previously with us as a supply teacher) You may also see **Ali** and **Abi**. They work with the Acorn Group, who now have an afternoon hub at Woodhall. Acorn are part of our local area support, 'DSPL 9' (Delivering Specialist Provision Locally) Their website has some brilliant resources for parents - please have a look at www.dsplarea9.org.uk.

BREAKFAST CLUB



Unfortunately, we had to stop running our in-school breakfast club at the end of last year. However, I am pleased to announce that the 'First Touch' company (who run Saturday football) have now taken over and will be running a daily breakfast club at Woodhall from 7.30-8.30am (when the children will go to their classrooms) at a daily cost of £4 per child. Children will be given drinks and toast and/or cereal and be offered a range of arts and craft/sports activities, If you would like your child to attend, please ask for more details at the school office. Thanks.

CURRICULUM SESSIONS



Thanks to all those who attended one of our curriculum information sessions. We hope that you found them helpful. If you were unable to attend, curriculum outlines for the term will be sent home this week.

DIARY DATES

Please see our school website for this term's dates.

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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PUPIL TARGET MEETINGS



Each half-term, we hold Pupil Target Meetings. This is a valuable opportunity for class teachers to meet with very small groups of children to discuss their learning and progress. Children from Year 2-Year 6 have individual learning targets in Maths and English (Year 1 children will have targets from after the October half-term break) During the meeting, children will reflect upon these...*did they achieve their target? If so, what were their next steps in learning? If not, what was it that they found challenging? What helps them to learn?* Etc. Teachers also discuss wider areas such as uniform, homework, attendance and behaviour as we know that these are an important part of children learning and achieving.

Copies of target sheets will be sent home after the meetings, but in the meantime, please talk to your child about their targets: *what is your Maths/English target? How do you know when you have achieved it? What helps you to learn in school?*

We have parents' consultation evenings on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th September, where you can talk to the class teacher about your child's progress.

'ROALD DAHL DAY'



We will be celebrating this (as will most schools!) on Thursday 13th September - which would have been Roald Dahl's birthday - with a dress-up day. Dress as any character from a Roald Dahl story! Throughout the day children will be taking part in various classroom activities. We will be holding a special children-only raffle at £1 per ticket, with the prize of a set of books by Roald Dahl!

FRIENDS OF WOODHALL



Our Friends of Woodhall will soon be busy planning the Woodhall Christmas Fair, which will be held on Saturday 8th December. They would welcome any new volunteers! Please come along to the next meeting on Friday 14th September at 11am or let one of our Friends of Woodhall know that you would be interested in helping. Thanks.

PACK A SNACK!



Please remember that it is fine for you to pack a healthy snack for your child to enjoy at playtime (nothing-containing nuts due to allergies). Our Foundation and KS1 children receive a daily snack under the government fruit scheme but, although we give any leftovers to Key Stage 2 children, there isn't enough for everyone!

ATTENDANCE



On Monday, a very important letter was sent to your child's class regarding our new procedures for attendance at Woodhall, please make sure that you have signed your copy. This covers pupil absence, pupils arriving late to school, Year 5 and 6 children walking home alone, pupils being collected late after school, rewards for good attendance and systems to deal with poor attendance. Please make sure that you read the letter carefully, and if you have any questions feel free to come in and ask.

CLUBS TIMETABLE



We have a range of clubs for the children to join. Letters/texts will be sent home, but please ask if you require further details.

MONDAY	Breakfast Club (sports/art activities included) from 7.30am Reception/Years 1/2 Football Club 12.30-1.00pm Years 3/4/5/6 Boxing Club 3.30-4.30pm
TUESDAY	Breakfast Club (sports/art activities included) from 7.30am Years 4/5/6 Netball Club 3.30-4.15pm
WEDNESDAY	Breakfast Club (sports/art activities included) from 7.30am Years 4/5/6 Gymnastics Club 3.30-4.30pm
THURSDAY	Breakfast Club (sports/art activities included) from 7.30am Reception/Years 1/2/3/4/5/6 Dodgeball Club 3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Breakfast Club (sports/art activities included) from 7.30am Years 5/6 Football Club 2.00-2.45pm Years 1/2/3/4 Mini-Olympics Club 2.00-2.45pm Reception/Years 1/2/3/4/5/6 Film Club 2.00-3.30pm
SATURDAY	'Saturday Football' will start in a few weeks a letter will be sent home with further details.

SAFETY ISSUES



Please support us to make sure that children are kept safe on school premises before and after school.

- ❑ Make sure that bikes are pushed (not ridden) once on school grounds
- ❑ If you are waiting outside classrooms to come into school, please keep your children with you. Lots of younger children have been playing away from their parents/carers near the steep staircase (outside Year 1)
- ❑ Please shut all school gates behind you when entering/leaving the school

And finally, a huge thankyou to all of you for making sure that all of the children look so smart in their Woodhall school uniforms!

Many thanks,

Miss Lake

Headteacher

Please note that diary dates and newsletters are also available on our school website.

www.woodhall.herts.sch.uk

ATTENDANCE
 **MATTERS**
every school day counts.

The logo features three stylized human figures in orange. The first figure is on the left, the second in the middle has its right arm raised, and the third is on the right. They are positioned below the word "ATTENDANCE" and to the left of the word "MATTERS".