Woodhall Weekly

Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Woodhall Families,

Finally, the weather seems to be improving and it's been great to see the children able to play outside all week! Our Year 2 class have started to complete their SATs tests and we've been very proud of them...despite the huge disruptions to their Nursery and Reception years (due to Covid), they have made great strides in their learning and in their confidence and resilience. Big thanks to our Year 2 school adults who have ensured that the children just view sitting their tests as another day at school, with minimum fuss or anxiety.

Next week is the final week of the summer term, and we will finish at 2pm on Friday 26th May – our 'Woodhall FA Cup Day'. Thank you to all of our brave parent volunteers who are coming along to referee matches. You will make the day a memorable one for the children and we really appreciate it!

You can find dates for the new academic year below. Some parents have asked me about changes to classes for next year. As soon as we have confirmed school adults and numbers, we will let you know. You will be aware that we have experienced a significant drop in pupil numbers over the past 10 years – largely due to changes on the estate - and of the impact upon the school budget. Please be assured that, in all of our considerations for moving forward, the children's needs and welfare are always our first priority.

Have a great weekend,

Michelle Lake

Headteacher





Some of our lucky raffle winners!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Wednesday 24th May: Year 1 Class Assembly

Friday 26th May: Woodhall's FA Cup Day

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June: Half-term week

Friday 16th June: Year 3 Class Assembly

Friday 23rd June: Year 4/5 Class Assembly

Tuesday 27th June: Nursery/Reception Parents' Coffee Morning

Friday 30th June: Year 2 Class Assembly

Tuesday 4th July: Key Stage 2 Summer Production (Years 3/4/5/6)

Wednesday 5th July: Hatch End High Secondary Transition Day

Thursday 13th July: Hertfordshire Schools' Secondary Transition Day

Thursday 20th July: Year 6 Leavers' Party; followed by...

Thursday 20th July: Evening Disco (Years 1-6)

Friday 21st July: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

| ₩ WE ARE <u>SO</u> PROUD OF THIS WEEK'S WINNERS! ₩ | | | | |
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| 19.5. | 23 | The Woodhall WOW | Learner of the Week | |
| Ye | ar1 | Max (for the second week running!) who has been a fantastic role-model at lunchtimes; showing lovely manners, always smiling and being a great friend. True FAMILY values! | | |
| Yea | ur 2 | Amy, who has shown consistent PASSION in all of her learning throughout the week. | SADIE, who produced a great piece of writinga brilliant non-chronological report on chameleons! | |
| Yea | ur 3 | Oliver, for demonstrating his PASSION for learning and an excellent knowledge of Christianity in RE lessons. | Ellie, who worked so hard to learn her 7 times tables and was able to answer questions quickly and with confidence. | |
| Year | -4/5 | David, who has shown great RESILIENCE in working on his project – demonstrating independent skills and solving problems with a creative flair! | Libby, for working so hard on her independent project research at home and at school, and for putting a huge effort into her presentation. | |
| Yea | ar 6 | Erona, for her engagement in the Dynamo cricket tournament and for showing huge RESPONSIBILITY, leading to a team triumph! | Precious, who engaged brilliantly in the class Wow Day, working hard and giving 100% to all activities. | |
| Coach Chloe's Stars of the Week are Grace, who took responsibility for her learning and | | | | |
| gave it her all even when she found things challenging, and Oscar for showing such passion in cricket. | | | | |
| The winning House Group is OAK with 189 points. Well done! | | | | |



HALF-TERM CLOTHES SALE

On Thursday 1st June and Friday 2nd June (11am-2pm), Otley Way Family Centre are holding a clothes sale, with all proceeds going to the Peace Hospice. Each item of clothing only 20p – a bargain! Please call 0208 428 5434 if you need more details. Happy bargain-hunting!





WOODHALL F.A. CUP DAY

Our second annual F.A. Cup Day will be held on Friday 26th May. Children will play in minimatches throughout the morning, with members of each winning team earning House Points. All of the House Points will be added up and our trophy will be presented to the winning House Group in our afternoon assembly; along with certificates for children who have demonstrated our Woodhall Values (Passion, Resilience, Responsibility, Inclusivity, Aspiration and Family) throughout the morning.

On the day, children may come to school in their PE kits or in a team kit of their choosing, with trainers or Astros (no football boots please).

We know that this will be a great way to end the first half-term!

COMMUNITY GALA

Next week, you will receive letters about the **SOUTH OXHEY/CARPENDERS PARK COMMUNITY GALA.** This will take place on **Saturday 10**th **June from 11am-1pm**. This is the first time (for a VERY long time!) that such an event has taken place and we would really love as many Woodhall children to be there as possible so sing their hearts out! Further details are on the letter, but please note that the children are singing as soon as the event opens and once you have collected them afterwards (at about 11.40am), you are free to stay and enjoy the event or leave. For parents of Year 6 children, you will also receive a separate letter regarding our steel drum performance. Thank you!

STAYING SAFE

Today, we have reminded the children about what to do if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe, about 'stranger behaviour'. Please talk to your child at home. There have been a couple of reported local concerns which the Police are dealing with. If you have any concerns, please phone the Police on 101 or **999 in an emergency**. Thank you.

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| AUTUMN TERM 2023 | | | | |
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| Friday 1 st September | INSET –staff only | | | |
| Monday 4 th September | All staff & children back to school | | | |
| Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th October | Half term week | | | |
| Monday 4 th December | Occasional Day – school closed | | | |
| Wednesday 20 th December | End of term 1pm | | | |
| SPRING TERM 2024 | | | | |
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| Thursday 4 th January | INSET – staff only | | | |
| Friday 5 th January | INSET – staff only | | | |
| Monday 8 th January | All staff & children back to school | | | |
| Monday 19 th January-Friday 23 rd | Half term week | | | |
| February | | | | |
| Thursday 28 th March | End of term 1pm | | | |
| SUMMER TERM 2024 | | | | |
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| Monday 15 th April | All staff & children back to school | | | |
| Monday 27 th April-Friday 31 st May | Half term week | | | |
| Friday 19 th July | Children finish 1pm | | | |
| Monday 22 nd July | INSET – staff only | | | |
| Tuesday 23 rd July | INSET – staff only | | | |