

Woodhall Weekly



Monday 16th October 2023

Dear Woodhall Families,

We are now in the final week of our first half-term, with lots to celebrate so far and lots more to follow. Thank you for your support for our special Woodhall events over the past weeks, which have included National Fitness Day, parent 'See How We Learn' workshops, parents'/carers' consultation evenings, dressing up for Sue's last day, our 'Magical Minds' workshops, school photos, Harvest Festival and many more!

As the evenings draw in and the weather changes, please make sure that children come to school with waterproof coats and appropriate footwear. We do try to get them out on the playground for a run around in the fresh air even if it's raining a little! In November, we will mark National Road Safety Week through using the 'Be Bright, Be Seen!' resources; but in the meantime we will continue to talk to the children about road safety and wearing something bright/reflective so that cars can see you, especially as the afternoons get darker.

All of the Staff and Governors at Woodhall wish you a very happy and safe half-term week. See you back in school On Monday 30th October!

Michelle Lake

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Notices

HALLOWEEN DRESS-UP

On **Tuesday 31st October**, children can come to school dressed in their Halloween outfits *in exchange for a bottle for our Christmas tombola*. Squash, shampoo, fizzy drinks, wine...we'll take the lot! Please make sure that bottles are unopened and in date. Children can either leave their bottle with a school adult at the gate or take it into their classrooms. Thank you!

HALLOWEEN RAFFLE

Tickets are on sale every afternoon after school (£1 per strip), or by sending your money in an envelope marked with your child's name and 'Raffle'. Winners will be drawn at our special assembly on Tuesday 31st October, where our local Police officers Chris and Ross will also be talking to the children about Halloween safety.

NEON DISCO

Our glow-in-the-dark, Neon Disco was hugely popular last year and we're doing the same again this year! The disco will take place on **Thursday 2nd November** for children in Years 1-6, from 6-7.30pm and separate letters will be sent home. Neon novelties will be on sale at lunchtime and after school from Monday 30th October.

WOODHALL'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

Don't forget that stalls are still available to hire (£10 per stall) at our Christmas Fair, which takes place on **Saturday 25th November from 10am-2pm**. If you would like to reserve a stall, please contact Nikki or Fouzia in the school office.

'SEE HOW WE LEARN' CLASS WORKSHOPS

Come and join your child in school for the afternoon, where the class teacher will introduce a particular subject/focus area and talk about how this is taught within their classroom, including the basic concepts taught and 'ways into' learning such as games or other hands-on activities, as well as giving advice on how you might support your child at home.

Workshops taking place THIS WEEK:

TUESDAY 17th OCTOBER: Dolphins Class (Years 3 & 4) Maths Games with Mr. Rubeck.

WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER: Turtles Class (Years 4 & 5) Grammar with Mrs Cooper Battersby.

No need to book, just come to the school office where you will be directed to the workshop. We will start at 2pm and be finished at 3pm. You are welcome to take your child home once the workshop has finished.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

TUESDAY 17th OCTOBER: Dolphins Class (Y3/4) 'See how we learn' workshop, 2-3pm

WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER: Turtles Class (Y3/4) 'See how we learn' workshop, 2-3pm

MONDAY 23rd – FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER: Half-term week.

MONDAY 30th - THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER: After-school sale – neon novelties.

TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER: Halloween dress-up

(CHANGE: DRESS-UP FOR HALLOWEEN AND BRING A BOTTLE FOR OUR TOMBOLA)

THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER: Neon disco 6-7.30pm.

FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER: 'Woodhall Remembers': Year 6 lead our Remembrance assembly.

THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER: The Happy Puzzle Company children's workshops (team work and resilience skills)

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER: Children in Need Day (dress-up for a donation to charity)

MONDAY 4th DECEMBER: School closed (Occasional Day).

TUESDAY 5th DECEMBER: Year 6 Bikeability Week begins (cycling proficiency).

WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER: Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas dinner day.

TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER: Woodhall's Christmas Extravaganza (2pm/6pm)

WEDNESDAY 13th DECEMBER: Y1-Y6 trip to Watersmeet pantomime. Oh yes it is!

WEDNESDAY 13th DECEMBER: Mr. Marvel the Magician visits Nursery/Reception/Year 1.

THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER: Woodhall's Christmas Extravaganza (6pm)

WEDNESDAY 20th DECEMBER: End of term (1pm)

THURSDAY 4th/FRIDAY 5th JANUARY: INSET days: staff only

MONDAY 8th JANUARY: Back to school for everyone

MONDAY 19th – FRIDAY 23rd FEBRUARY: Half-term holiday week



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Year 6 (SHARKS) Teachers: Mrs J. Fitzgerald & Miss M. Lake

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