

Woodhall Weekly



Monday 20th November 2023

Dear Woodhall Families,

Now that Harvest, Halloween, Fireworks Night, Diwali, Remembrance and Children in Need are over...it's time to get ready for Christmas! On the next page, you will find a summary of our Christmas events. Your support is really important to us, and it starts with our Christmas Fair **THIS SATURDAY!** If you can continue to publicise the Fair (by sharing the poster), that would be very much appreciated. We have at least 15 stall holders coming along as well as Santa's (inflatable!) Grotto, tombola for adults and children, hot food (bacon rolls/hot dogs/veggie rolls), hot/cold drinks, games and our amazing raffle. Bring your family, friends and neighbours! **A huge THANK YOU to everyone who has come to help us prepare.** Without your help, we wouldn't have a Christmas Fair!

As you know, Woodhall is located at the edge of South Oxhey and bordered by a railway line, which means that we do serve a relatively small area of the estate and are not central. Lots of people don't ever need to venture along Woodhall Lane. We are doing everything possible to alert people to the fact that **WE ARE HERE!** Tomorrow evening (**Tuesday 21st November, 4-7pm**) we are holding an **OPEN EVENING** for families looking for a school space – particularly for children due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2024. You might have seen our poster on Facebook. Once again, if you can share it today or tomorrow – **THANK YOU!**

This year, you will see that we are putting on a **WOODHALL CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA...**a re-telling of the Nativity with carols old and new. This involves all of the children from Year 1-Year 6 (the first time that we have attempted a whole-school Christmas play!). In order to fit all parents/carers/wider family members in, **we are performing on two nights - Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th December.** We appreciate that you may only attend one performance but **please send your child in for BOTH performances!** After all of the hard work practising, it can be quite disheartening for the other children when their classmates don't turn up because their parents have already seen the show. *If you know that your child cannot return to school on these dates, please let the class teacher know in advance.* Thank you.

And finally, on Wednesday 13th December we are attending a morning performance of the Watersmeet panto this year (Oh, yes we are!) Once we are back in school, children will have their lunch. **If you would like to, you can pick your child/ren up from school at 1.30pm.** Please look out for a text from the school office nearer the time.



See you on Saturday!

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CHRISTMAS AT WOODHALL...

SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER

After the big build-up...here we are! The **WOODHALL CHRISTMAS FAIR!** Opens at 10am with raffle winners drawn at 1.45pm. Bring the family!

MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER

Our '**FESTIVE FUN WITH NUMBERS**' workshops begin. Lots of fun and ways to support your child at home! To book your place, contact Step 2 Skills at enquiries@sps-training.com or phone 01707 933212/ 01707 933215.

MONDAY 4th DECEMBER

OCCASIONAL DAY: School will be closed to children and adults. Happy Christmas shopping!

WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY...wear your Christmas jumper and enjoy our Christmas dinner day, with all the trimmings!

THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER (11am)

Our Seashells class (Nursery & Reception) present their Christmas play...'**MARY'S KNITTING**'.

TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER (2pm/6pm)

It's our **WOODHALL CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA!** A Christmassy combination of the Nativity and Carols by Candlelight, with all of the children from Years 1-6 taking part.

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Panto time for Years 2-6 , as we head to the Watersmeet to watch '**SLEEPING BEAUTY**'. Meanwhile, Nursery, Reception and Year 1 will enjoy The **MR. MARVEL SHOW** at school. Children can be collected early (at 1.30pm) from school today.

THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER

Our second **WOODHALL CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA** show at 6pm.

WEDNESDAY 20th DECEMBER

We made it to the **last day of term!** School will finish at 1pm today.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

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.

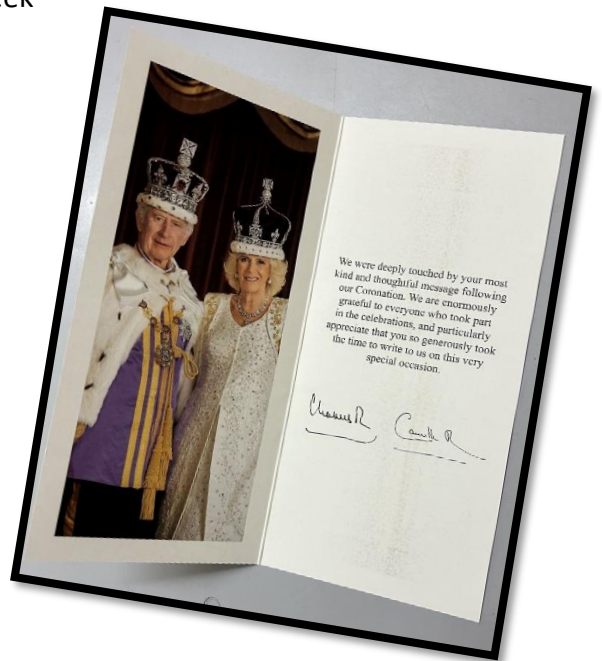
THURSDAY 14th DECEMBER: Woodhall's Christmas Extravaganza (6pm)

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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