

# Woodhall Weekly



Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Woodhall Families,

We have our Woodhall Parliament, and now we have our very own Woodhall Prime Minister! Congratulations to Lucy W who was elected by her fellow Parliamentarians last week, and to her Deputy Prime Minister Hope. The Woodhall Parliament have been busy with a new project that you will hear about shortly (I won't steal their thunder!).

Thank you to everyone who made sure that the children were wearing some crazy PE kits last week as we celebrated National Fitness Day. Great fun was had by all. During the day, the children learned how to play lots of traditional playground games and it has been lovely to see them being played independently at lunchtime.

A plea: if you are interested in helping to organise a fundraising Christmas Fair for Woodhall, please let me know (on the gate in the mornings, by phoning or by email). It won't be possible without your help!

Thank you,

Michelle Lake

Headteacher

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## Notices

### '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 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** Sharks Class (Year 6) Reading with Mrs Fitzgerald.

**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** Starfish Class (Years 1 & 2) Phonics with Mr. Hancock.

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.

## STEP 2 SKILLS: MATHS SESSIONS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Following lots of interest in a series of maths workshops offered by Hertfordshire's Step 2 Skills, we are pleased to announce that we will be holding our first taster/information session on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 9am**. Come along, have a coffee and find out what the course is all about!

This will be followed by the first workshop on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 9.30-11.30am**.

Please sign in at the school office where we will show you to the workshop.

We look forward to seeing you there! *If you have any questions, please contact the course coordinator, Elise Hoare on 01438 845047 or via email: [elise.hoare@hertfordshire.go.uk](mailto:elise.hoare@hertfordshire.go.uk)* Thank you.

## YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSITION

Parents of children in Year 6 are busy attending open days and evenings at the moment for local secondary schools. Our local area secondary transition office, Lisa Sillitoe, will be in school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** to hold 1:1 sessions with parents and give advice and support.

If you would like an appointment, it's not too late! *Please contact Lisa via [lisasillitoe@dsplarea9.org.uk](mailto:lisasillitoe@dsplarea9.org.uk)*.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

Our clubs start over the next two weeks and letters will be sent home. If you would like your child to have a space in a club, but you do not receive a letter, please phone the school office who can help you. Please note that there won't be a letter for lunchtime clubs run by teachers.

**MONDAY LUNCHTIMES:** Mr Rubeck's Chess Club (for Key Stage 2)

**MONDAY LUNCHTIMES:** Miss Jones' & Mrs Fitzgerald's Netball Club (For Key Stage 2)

**MONDAYS AFTER SCHOOL:** Aaron's Dance Club (Years 1-6)

**WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIMES:** Game On Football Club (for Starfish: Years 1 & 2)

**THURSDAY LUNCHTIMES:** Mini Boarders Skateboarding Club (Years 4, 5 & 6)

**THURSDAYS AFTER SCHOOL:** Coach Barry's Football Club (Years 5 & 6)

If you know of an organisation that would like to run a club for the children at Woodhall, please let me know.



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** Sharks Class (Y6) 'See how we learn' workshop, 2-3pm.

**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** Starfish Class (Y1/2) 'See how we learn' workshop, 2-3pm.

**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER:** Harvest collection starts.

**TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER:** Lisa Sillitoe in school: secondary transition advice for parents

**THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** 'Magical Minds' well-being workshops for children

**TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** Seashells (Nursery/Reception) parents' workshop 2-3pm.

**TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup>/WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** Parents' consultation evenings.

**THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** School photos.

**FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** Harvest Festival.

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

**MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> – FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:** Half-term week.

**MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup>-THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER:** After-school sale – neon novelties.

**TUESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER:** Halloween dress-up (£1 per child)

**THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER:** Neon disco 6-7.30pm.

**FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER:** 'Woodhall Remembers': Year 6 lead our Remembrance assembly.

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

**FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER:** Children in Need Day (dress-up for a donation to charity)

**MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** School closed (Occasional Day).

**TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** Year 6 Bikeability Week begins (cycling proficiency).

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas dinner day.

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

**WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** Y1-Y6 trip to Watersmeet pantomime. Oh yes it is!

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

**THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** Woodhall's Christmas Extravaganza (6pm)

**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER:** End of term (1pm)



# USEFUL CONTACTS

**Headteacher:** Miss M. Lake

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**Year 4/5 (TURTLES) Teacher:** Mrs E. Cooper Battersby

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

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