Dear Woodhall Families,

After a manic first week back to school that included Halloween and the Neon Disco, we are very proud that the children are extremely settled, working hard and making good progress in their classroom learning. Each week, we celebrate outstanding achievements in our Friday celebration assembly, where we award certificates to children who have gone 'that extra mile' in lessons, have achieved the next step in their number bonds/times tables or have shown particular qualities of our focus Woodhall Value (resilience).

We also love to share children's home achievements! If your child has won an award outside school (for example, in swimming lessons/Brownies/Cubs etc.) then they are very welcome to bring their award in so that we can all congratulate them together.

Thank you to all of the amazing parents who have been busy helping to prepare for our Christmas Fair on Saturday 25th November (10am-2pm). We will be sending out leaflets this week...please spread the word and put a leaflet up wherever you can! We have got a brilliant raffle, an (inflatable!) Santa's Grotto, hot and cold refreshments, tombolas, art and craft stalls...all under one roof!

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WELCOME MR. SPEAKES!

We are very pleased to welcome a new teacher to the Woodhall team. Mr. Gareth Speakes will teach our Year 6 Sharks class on Thursdays and Fridays, with Mrs Fitzgerald continuing to be the class teacher from Monday-Wednesday. Mr Speakes is a highly-experienced teacher and it's great to have him on board.

Please give him a big Woodhall smile and wave when you meet him!

WOODHALL REMEMBERS...

On Friday 10th November, our wonderful Year 6 class will lead Woodhall's Remembrance tributes at our special assembly. Unfortunately (due to space available) this event is limited to Year 6 parents only. Please see the separate letter and let us know how many adult seats you will require. This is a special event for Woodhall and we will share photos on our school Facebook page. Sadly, we do not have poppies to sell in school, but children are very welcome to wear their poppies to school on Friday.

STARFISH PARENTS' CONSULTATIONS

These have now been re-scheduled to take place on Wednesday 15th November. For parents of children in the Starfish class, please indicate your preferred time/format on the letter sent home and return it to school by Friday 10th November. Thank you.

CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 17th November, we will be raising money for the Children in Need campaign by WEARING A ONSIE to school! Children are welcome to wear their onesies for a donation of £1. Please remember that they will still be outside for playtime so a coat and trainers will be needed!

AUTUMN TERM CLUBS (SECOND HALF TERM)

The following clubs will be running this half-term:

DANCE CLUB (Aaron): Years 1-6, Mondays after school

NETBALL CLUB (Miss Jones & Mrs Fitzgerald): Years 3-6, Monday lunchtimes

KS1 FOOTBALL CLUB (Game On): Years 1 &2, Wednesday lunchtimes

KS2 FOOTBALL CLUB (Coach Barry): Years 5 &6, Thursdays after school

SKATEBOARDING CLUB (My Little Boarders): Years 5 & 6, Thursday lunchtimes

CHESS CLUB (Mr. Rubeck): Years 3-6, Monday lunchtimes

GUITAR CLUB (Mr.Hancock): Years 2-6, Thursday lunchtimes

If your child is interested in joining any of our clubs, please email the school office or class teacher for further details.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

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

TUESDAY 16th JANUARY: Dolphins/Turtles/Sharks trip to Hazard Alley

FRIDAY 9th FEBRUARY: Chinese New Year art/craft day

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

THURSDAY 28TH MARCH: End of term (1pm)

MONDAY 5th APRIL: Back to school

MONDAY 27TH-FRIDAY 31st MAY: Half-term holiday week

FRIDAY 19th JULY: End of term (1pm)



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