

Woodhall Weekly



Monday 15th January 2024

Dear Woodhall Families,

Our new term has got off to a flying start! In the first week, children have taken part in football sessions delivered by coaches from Tottenham Hotspur, as well as a 'Ninja Warrior' taster session in preparation for the club which starts this Friday. I hope that you all received our spring term clubs information letter. Please remember that some of the clubs (Superstars Tag Rugby, Game On football) must be booked online using the instructions provided. We do try and bring prices down as much as possible and hope that you will agree that the clubs on offer represent very good value for money.

You should also have received this term's curriculum outline for your child's class. This gives you a general overview of the new topics that the children will learn about and the new areas being studied in core subjects. If you have any questions or you think that you might be able to help out – either practically or with expertise in a particular area – then please get in touch! You will find teachers' email addresses on each 'Woodhall Weekly'.

This week sees our first spring term visit to Oxhey Library (Starfish Class) as well as the Key Stage 2 trip to Hazard Alley. As you know, it's a bit chilly outside...please make sure that children come to school dressed for the weather. Hats, scarves, gloves, coats...let's all wrap up warmly this week!

Finally, don't forget that it's our FREE 'Fussy Eating' workshop on Friday. Just turn up at 9am for lots of hints, tips and great information from experts. Everybody welcome.

Thank you,

Michelle Lake

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Notices

HEALTHY LUNCHES

Picky eaters, cost of food, catering for siblings...packed lunches can be a nightmare!

We want to support you to make some healthier choices for your children's packed lunches whilst keeping all of the above in mind. Can you help? If you are willing to come along and add your viewpoint as a parent/carer, whilst supporting the School to think about positive next steps in terms of children's lunches, then please let me know by either emailing me (head@woodhall.herts.sch.uk) or catching me on the school gate in the mornings. Once I know who is interested, we can arrange a mutually convenient date and get talking! Thank you.

FREE MATHS WORKSHOPS: CHANGE OF DATE

Apologies, but there has been a change of date for our **FUN WITH NUMBERS** maths workshops. Our first workshop will now be held on **Monday 29th January, 9am-12pm**. All welcome – please see the poster for further booking information, or book through Elise from Step 2 Skills, who'll be around at home times this week. It's a great opportunity to find out about supporting your child with maths in the home!

WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

We love to celebrate World Book Day at Woodhall. This is very advance warning, as this year it falls on **THURSDAY 7th MARCH**, but we are very excited about our dressing-up theme which is...**101 DALMATIANS!**

We will be asking all of the children to dress up as dalmatians whilst staff will become the human characters. During the week, children will take part in activities related to this classic children's book, written in 1956 by Dodie Smith. As always, costumes can be made very simply (a mask and a pair of ears) so please don't spend lots of money. We are really looking forward to it and will remind you nearer the time too.

OXHEY LIBRARY...HERE WE COME!

A reminder from Hertfordshire County Council...do you know that the NHS offer a Prescription Pre-payment Certificate (PPC)? This covers all NHS prescriptions for a set price, so although there is an initial outlay, you might save money in the long-run. If you think that you might be eligible, please check using the link on the NHS website: <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/help-nhs-prescription-costs/nhs-prescription-prepayment-certificate-ppc>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

MONDAY 15th JANUARY: Children's yoga taster sessions for all classes (during school day)

TUESDAY 16th JANUARY: Key Stage 2 trip to Hazard Alley

TUESDAY 16th JANUARY: Starfish visit to Oxhey Library

THURSDAY 18th JANUARY: Year 6 Athletics Festival (during school day)

FRIDAY 19th JANUARY: 'Fussy Eaters' workshop for parents/carers 9-11.30am

TUESDAY 23rd JANUARY: Dolphins visit to Oxhey Library

MONDAY 29th JANUARY: Fun with Numbers maths workshops for parents starts 9.15am-12pm

TUESDAY 30th JANUARY: Seashells visit to Oxhey Library

MONDAY 5th FEBRUARY: 'Healthy Heroes' healthy eating/fitness session for Year 2

TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY: 'Stay Active' session for Year 3/Year 4

TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY: Turtles visit to Oxhey Library

TUESDAY 6th/WEDNESDAY 7th FEBRUARY: Parents' consultation evenings

FRIDAY 9th FEBRUARY: Chinese New Year art & craft morning

TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY: Sharks visit to Oxhey Library

MONDAY 19th – FRIDAY 23rd FEBRUARY: HALF TERM WEEK

MONDAY 26th FEBRUARY: Back to school

TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY: Starfish visit to Oxhey Library

FRIDAY 1st MARCH: Sharks' class assembly (9am)

TUESDAY 5th MARCH: Dolphins visit to Oxhey Library

THURSDAY 7th MARCH: World Book Day

FRIDAY 8th MARCH: Turtles' class assembly (9am)

TUESDAY 12th MARCH: Woodhall Careers' Day

TUESDAY 12th MARCH: Seashells visit to Oxhey Library

WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH: Dolphins/Turtles trip to Verulamium Museum, St. Albans

FRIDAY 15th MARCH: Starfish class assembly

TUESDAY 19th MARCH: Turtles visit to Oxhey Library

FRIDAY 22nd MARCH: Dolphins' class assembly

TUESDAY 26th MARCH: Easter bonnet-making day (all classes)

TUESDAY 26th MARCH: Sharks visit to Oxhey Library

WEDNESDAY 27th MARCH: Easter disco (evening)

THURSDAY 28th MARCH: Easter Bonnet Parade/End of term (school finishes at 1pm)



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