

Woodhall Weekly



Monday 26th February 2024

Dear Woodhall Families,

Welcome back! I hope that you all enjoyed a relaxing half-term week...even if we were stuck inside due to the endless rain!

We have a short but busy half-term at Woodhall coming up. On **SATURDAY 16th MARCH**, we are holding our first ever Easter Fair. If you would like a stall at the fair, or you know somebody that might, then please spread the word! Stalls are £20 and can be booked by contacting the School Office on 0208 428 3447.

We are excited to be working with the Ambulance Service (through one of our amazing former pupils, Charlie) and on March 11th, the children will be able to take part in a range of workshops which will include having a look inside a real ambulance.

Look out for World Book Day on Thursday 7th March (where we are turning Woodhall into the set of 101 Dalmatians!) and also for the return of sharing our learning through class assemblies.

On with the show!

Michelle Lake

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Notices

NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

For the following two Fridays (1st and 8th March) we will be holding non-school uniform days. Children can wear their own clothes to school in exchange for: **Friday 1st March:** an Easter egg for our children's Easter tombola. Chocolate eggs only please! **Friday 8th March:** a bottle for our adults' bottle tombola.

Please note that these eggs are for our Easter Fair and NOT for our annual Easter egg raffle -the raffle eggs are bought by staff.

WORLD BOOK DAY

It's nearly upon us...on **Thursday 7th March**, we'll celebrate **World Book Day at Woodhall with a 101 Dalmatians theme and we are asking all of the children to come dressed as dalmatians!** This classic children's book was written by Dodie Smith in 1956 before being released as a film in 1961. Children will take part in a special assembly as well as activities in their classes. We may include a Home Time Barking!

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

This term, we invite you to join us for our class assemblies, where children will share a snapshot of their learning so far. Assemblies begin at 9am but parents/carers can take their seats from 8.50am (once the children are all in). Class assemblies will be followed by our weekly celebrations of progress and achievement, including the 'Woodhall Wow!' and 'Learner of the Week' - you are welcome to stay for these.

Please remember that the children are always so excited to present their assembly and are very rightly proud of their wonderful learning. To make sure that they are the stars of the show, please switch your phones to silent. If babies/younger children become distracting, there is a space outside my office where you will still be able to see the assembly from a distance!

Assembly dates can be found in the list at the end of the newsletter.

YEAR 6 SECONDARY TRANSITION

It's hard to believe that our Year 6 children are now over halfway through their final year aboard the Good Ship Woodhall. This week, parents of children in Year 6 can access the County website to find out secondary school allocations.

On Monday 11th March, Lisa Sillitoe (Specialist Transition Outreach Worker) will be in school on from 1:20pm to 3:20pm.

If you would like the opportunity to have a conversation with Lisa about your child's transition to secondary school in September, please email lisasillitoe@dsplarea9.org.uk for an appointment and include your telephone number.

Lisa works with most local non-selective secondary schools and will aim to answer your questions and help you with any concerns regarding your allocation as well as providing valuable information and guidance about supporting your child at what can be an extremely challenging time.

YEAR 6 SATs WEEK 2024

This year, SATs Week takes place from **Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May**, with the assessments organised as follows:

Monday 13th May: Grammar/Punctuation/Spelling

Tuesday 14th May: Reading

Wednesday 15th May: Maths Papers 1 & 2

Thursday 16th May: Maths Paper 3

Mrs Fitzgerald will be holding a SATs information meeting for parents/carers of children in Year 6 on Wednesday 6th March at 3pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY: Starfish visit to Oxhey Library

FRIDAY 1st MARCH: Sharks' class assembly (9am) + non-uniform day (Easter eggs)

TUESDAY 5th MARCH: Dolphins visit to Oxhey Library

THURSDAY 7th MARCH: World Book Day

FRIDAY 8th MARCH: Turtles' class assembly (9am) + non-uniform day (bottles)

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)

EASTER HOLIDAYS: FRIDAY 29th MARCH – FRIDAY 12th APRIL

MONDAY 15th APRIL: All back to school

MONDAY 13th – THURSDAY 16th MAY: Year 6 SATs Week

HALF-TERM WEEK: MONDAY 27th – FRIDAY 31st MAY

MONDAY 3rd JUNE: All back to school

SATURDAY 8th JUNE: Carpenders Park/South Oxhey Community Gala (@Woodhall)

THURSDAY 18th JULY: Year 6 Leavers' Dinner + whole school disco

SATURDAY 6th JULY: Woodhall Summer Fair

FRIDAY 19th JULY: Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

FRIDAY 19th JULY: End of term 1pm



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Year 6 (SHARKS) Teachers: Mrs J. Fitzgerald & Mr G. Speakes

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£30 (first hour per day) then £20 per additional hour (per day)

Plenty of space to park, access to toilets and a kitchen area if needed.

Available weekdays, 5pm – 9pm (last hour: 8-9pm)

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