

# Woodhall Weekly



Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Woodhall Families,

Last week was a busy one here at Woodhall, with the celebration of National School Sports' Week. Children were able to take part in a range of activities, from hula-hooping to frisbee to tennis, and we hope that they all enjoyed themselves! At the same time, Year 6 enjoyed their activity week; visiting Hollywood Bowl and Gulliver's Land as well as making pizzas and taking part in a sports' afternoon in school. Today, Years 1-6 are visiting the awe-inspiring Neasden Temple and we are also looking forward to Sports' Day on Friday. Phew! It's a mile-a-minute at Woodhall!

We hope to see you on Friday...

Michelle Lake [head@woodhall.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@woodhall.herts.sch.uk)

## TERM DATES FOR 2024/2025

*Term dates for our next academic year will be as follows:*

### AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>/Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September: INSET days (Staff only)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September: **Children back to school**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November: Half-term week

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December: Occasional Day – school closed

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: End-of-term (1pm finish)

### SPRING TERM 2025

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January: **Children back to school**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February: Half-term week

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: End-of-term (1pm finish)

### SUMMER TERM 2025

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April: Easter Monday (School closed)

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: **Children back to school**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday (School closed)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May: Half-term week

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Hertfordshire Secondary Transition Day (for Year 6 children)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July: End-of-term (1pm finish)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup>/Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>/Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: INSET days (Staff only)

# Notices

## SPORTS' DAY

Our Sports' Day will take place on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**. The morning will begin with children taking part in a range of activities - including target throw, shuttle runs, long jump, limbo and more – before parents and family members are invited to join us for the competitive races **from 10.15am**. Please bear with us as we will work through the races in class groups, starting with our Nursery and Reception children.

Just a couple of reminders:

- Class teachers will email you about your child's House Group. If your child has a t-shirt in their House Group colour (**Oak: yellow, Ash: blue, Elm: green, Beech: red**) then they can wear it on Friday. Please don't go out and buy anything special!
- Children will need to come into school on Friday wearing their PE kits and comfortable sports trainers. Please apply sunscreen to your child before they come to school.
- You are welcome to take photos of your child racing. However, please remember that lots of adults can be a bit scary for our younger children and we also need to make sure that they are racing safely – please stay away from the track. When your child is racing, you can come to stand near the finish line if you would like.
- Hot and cold drinks will be available for adults to buy. The children will carry their water bottles and will also have a refreshment break. Please do not give children cans of drink until you are with them for the picnic.
- Once the races are finished, children will go back to their teacher for afternoon registration and to collect their belongings.
- Following this, you can collect your child/ren from their class teacher and enjoy a picnic lunch on the school field. You are welcome to bring camping chairs/blankets etc. Alternatively, you can take your child home (please sign out at the School Office).

We are looking forward to a lovely morning!

## HOT WEATHER

Now that summer has arrived (at last!), please remember to put sunscreen on your child before they come to school and send them in with a hat for play/lunchtime.

Please note that the Met Office may issue National Severe Weather Warnings (e.g. extreme heat. You can click on the following link to access the [Met Office National Severe Weather Warning Service](#).

### YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TRIP

Last week, our Year 6 class visited Gulliver's Land in Milton Keynes and stayed there overnight. During the day, the children were able to use the theme park rides as well as taking part in different activities such as team challenges and a visit to the Reptile House. The staff very kindly arranged for the children to watch the England match and this was followed by an evening disco. We were immensely proud of our Year 6 children – they had a great time and behaved impeccably – they were kind, thoughtful and really represented the very best of Woodhall. Well done Year 6! It was a pleasure to take you on this trip. Special thanks to Mrs Fitzgerald, Mr Speakes, Mrs Forde and Mrs Nishevci for all of their amazing help and organisation.

You can see some of the photos on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/woodhallprimaryschool>



**School Starters**

# Ready for School

**School Transition Events Free - drop in**

Join us at one of our drop in events this July to speak with our knowledgeable team about how to support your child to be ready for nursery or school.

Can't make it? Join us at Family Fun or SEND Chat and Play throughout the summer, visit [www.hertsfamilycentres.org](http://www.hertsfamilycentres.org) for details.

Tuesday 9th July 13:00 - 14:30	Leavesden Family Centre, Watford, WD25 7QZ
Wednesday 17th July 09.30 - 11:00	Westfield & Littlebury Family Centre Watford, WD18 6NS
Wednesday 24th July 13.30 - 15:00	South Oxhey Family Centre, Watford, WD19 6NL

**Let's get ready for this exciting new chapter together!**

  [www.hertsfamilycentres.org](http://www.hertsfamilycentres.org)  
 0300 123 7572

*This is a great event to attend, even if your child has already started school! Full of tips and useful links...LOCAL and completely FREE!*



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

**MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE:** Year 1-Year 6 visit to Neasden Temple

**FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JUNE:** Sports' Day

**FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY:** Starfish 'Tell Us a Story' Assembly

**SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Woodhall Summer Fair

**FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Seashells' 'Tell Us a Story' Assembly

**FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Annual school reports sent home

**TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Key Stage 2 Production (performances at 2pm & 6pm)

**WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Optional consultations

**THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Year 6 Leavers' Dinner + whole school disco

**FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY:** Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

**FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY:** End of term 1pm



# USEFUL CONTACTS

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## SCHOOL OFFICE

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## LOOKING FOR A SPACE TO HIRE? WOODHALL SCHOOL



WOODHALL LANE, SOUTH OXHEY, WATFORD, HERTS., WD19 6QX.

### PE HALL



£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)

*Please contact the School Office on 0208 428 3447 or email [finance@woodhall.herts.sch.uk](mailto:finance@woodhall.herts.sch.uk) for further information.*

Block bookings welcome.

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