

# Woodhall Weekly



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024



We're halfway through the first half-term and there is so much going on at Woodhall! We are really proud of our children, who have settled so well into their new classes and are fully engaged in lots of **fantastic new learning!** At Woodhall, we welcome many different visitors each day who all comment on our happy, nurturing atmosphere and purposeful learning environment. **There's always a warm welcome at Woodhall!** In addition to our broad curriculum, we offer so many exciting and inspiring **enrichment opportunities** for our children which provide not only lifelong learning skills but also build self-belief and that all-important confidence. Next week, Key Stage 2 will visit the **Royal Opera House in Covent Garden** to see the ballet 'Alice in Wonderland' – truly an **amazing opportunity!** The children have already begun to read Alice's enchanting story, so they are ready to dive down into the rabbit hole and enjoy a fantastic ballet full of thrilling music, crazy characters, amazing costumes and impressive sets; a truly modern twist on this classic tale. Back in school, teachers will be using this fantastic experience to **develop children's writing and art work.**

A **strong partnership with parents** is key to children's success at school. We will be holding our **parents' consultations** on *Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>/Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October*. Next week, you'll be able to select your preferred date/time – this is a very important opportunity for you to speak with class teachers about your child's attainment and progress so please do attend.

**It's Reception application time again.** We are over the moon that our excellent Early Years provision resulted in **100% of children attaining a 'Good Level of Development'** at the end of their Reception year in July. If you'd like to be a part of that success – or you know a family that would – we will be holding **open mornings on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October/Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and all day on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.** Fliers will be sent out shortly. *Come and join our fantastic Woodhall Family!*

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## **WE'VE BEEN ADOPTED!**

Guess what? Woodhall is the **FIRST school in South Oxhey** to be 'adopted' by the Everyone Active leisure centres which includes **The Centre** in South Oxhey. Come in and **scan the QR code to register.** All **Woodhall children AND their families get a free month's membership** which includes all swimming and classes. We know how important physical exercise is to our mental well-being, so what better opportunity to get the whole family active? Thank you to the staff at The Centre and...see you there!

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Say cheese...because it's school photo day on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October!** Make sure that you've returned the form if you'd like pre-school siblings to be included and please bear with us on the day, as things can get very hectic! All of the children look so smart in their Woodhall uniforms (available via <https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/woodhallprimaryschoolwd196qx>) and we know they'll be very proud of their school photos.

## LITTLE OXHEY LANE

We are expecting the local council to be at our top entrance (on Little Oxhey Lane) on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. The number of children crossing the road on that morning will determine whether the council give us a school crossing patrol. Please help out if you can – you can park on Altham Way where there is plenty of space. Help us to keep our families safe...we need a crossing patrol!

## CHRISTMAS FAIR

Save the date...**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November (11am-2pm)!** That's the date for our Woodhall Christmas Fair which we hope will be bigger and better than ever. **We are currently taking reservations from stallholders.** Just **£20 per stall**...please phone the school office to reserve your space (0208 428 3447). The flyer is on our Facebook group – please share this if you are able. Thank you!

## CHILDREN'S DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

At the start of each school year, we ask you to complete an information card for your child/children. This includes any dietary requirements, including any food allergies. **Please make sure that we are aware of your child's dietary needs and update us whenever you need to.** We need to be very clear about any foods that your child cannot eat so that we can keep everyone safe.

## ASDA CASHPOT

Parentkind – a charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who are making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. **Have you downloaded the Cashpot app yet?** Select **Woodhall** from the list of schools and you'll donate every time you shop at Asda! Remember, **anyone can sign up** – so start spreading the news and help us to raise money for a **brand new climbing frame** at Woodhall!



# USEFUL CONTACTS

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## ★ STALLHOLDERS... ★

SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

11am- 2pm (Stallholders can arrive from 9.30am to set up)

£20 per stall

**BOOK YOUR PLACE BY PHONING OUR SCHOOL OFFICE ON  
0208 428 3447**

*We have a limited number of tables available for use - please  
ask when booking.*

**Come along and join the fun...there's always a warm welcome at  
Woodhall!**

## WOODHALL'S CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS YOU!

