

Woodhall Weekly



Friday 27th June 2025



Our school hall is a very busy place at the moment, ringing with all kinds of music and filled with dance. With only three weeks to go until the end of term, everybody is busy practising for our upcoming events...'**Happy Birthday Woodhall**' day, class assemblies, '**Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies**', **Maypole dancing**, **Morris dancing** and more! In addition to all of this, the children are squeezing in **every last drop of learning** as they complete topics and undertake end-of-year **assessments in maths, reading, grammar and writing**. *Woodhall really is a brilliant place to be!*

Staff have also been busy preparing **next year's calendar of inspiring enrichment activities**. This week, we welcomed Chris Newstead, festival director for Watford Jazz Junction, to plan a hugely exciting series of workshops for the autumn term (check out the website at www.watfordjazzjunction.com ...some of those **world-class musicians** will be visiting Woodhall, including the amazing multi-instrumentalist Orphy Robinson!

We receive so many emails from people who have visited Woodhall, complimenting us on how **welcoming** the school feels and how **friendly** and **well-mannered** our children are. It was great to read the following lines from Chris following his first visit to Woodhall...'***My mum was a primary teacher in Suffolk where I grew up. I think your school was the first I've been in since those days that reminded me of those pastoral settings. A really lovely atmosphere.***' That's the Woodhall Way, Chris! We may be small in number, but we are mighty in every other way!

Thanks everyone and have a lovely weekend,

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY WOODHALL! DAY



FRIDAY 11th JULY

10am - 2pm



PANTHERS' ASSEMBLY

We have got a very exciting class assembly coming up on **Thursday 3rd July (9am)** as our Panthers bring us their own stories based upon the brilliant **'Monsters: An Owner's Guide'** by Jonathan Emmett and Mark Oliver. Come along and hear about what happens when you take your monster to school! The children have worked really hard on their stories and we can't wait to hear them. See you there!

EARLY YEARS (NURSERY/RECEPTION) COFFEE MORNING

We would like to invite **parents/carers of children in our Tiger Cubs class** to join us for a coffee morning on **Wednesday 2nd July at 9am**. During this session, Mrs Pottinger – who is highly experienced in teaching children with special educational needs – will discuss **approaches to speech, language and communication**. Your child does not need to have a special educational need for you to come along! The strategies, tips and resources that Mrs Pottinger will discuss can be helpful for all children. We look forward to seeing you there!

PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 6

On Wednesday 2nd July, we are very excited to be taking our Year 6 children to **Watford Football Club** for a very special, multi-agency workshop called **'Crucial Crew'**. This is a national scheme and aims to provide children with life skills that will help to **keep themselves and others safe** – particularly as the children start to become more independent and are dealing with big changes in their lives, such as the move to secondary school. They will take part in lots of **fun and interactive activities** designed to give **valuable safety and security messages**.

The children will have lunch before travelling to Vicarage Road by coach. They will be back in time for home time. If you would like to have a look at some of the messages of the Crucial Crew scheme, please visit <https://www.crucial-crew.org.uk/> Thank you.

BRING US A BOTTLE!

On **Friday 4th July**, we are holding a **NON-UNIFORM DAY**. Children can come to school wearing their own clothes **in exchange for a bottle for our tombola** ('Happy Birthday Woodhall' day). Bring us your champagne, shampoo and everything in between. Thank you!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note: life in primary school can be very eventful and sometimes we will need to make changes to the dates listed. When this happens, we will try to give you as much notice as possible.

DATE/TIME	EVENT
Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May/HALF TERM WEEK	
Wednesday 2nd July	Year 6 visit to 'Crucial Crew' event at Vicarage Road
Wednesday 2nd July	Early Years' coffee morning (speech, language and communication)
Thursday 3rd July	Panthers' class assembly
Friday 4th July	Non-uniform day (bring us a bottle!)
Monday 7th July	New date for Sports' Day
Tuesday 8th July	Year 4 Playleader training (PE kits needed)
Thursday 10th July	Year 6: Hertfordshire secondary transition day
Thursday 10th July	Year 3 & Year 4 class assembly
Friday 11th July	Happy Birthday Woodhall! Family Fun Day
Tuesday 15th July	KS2 Production (2pm & 6pm performances)
Wednesday 16th July	Parents/Carers' consultation evenings
Thursday 17th July	'Woodhall's Got Talent' (during school day)
Thursday 17th July	Year 6 Leaving do/Years 1-6 disco
Friday 18th July (1pm)	End of term; Year 6 leavers' breakfast/assembly
Monday 21st August - Thursday 4th September/SUMMER HOLIDAYS	
ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Friday 5th September	Back to school
Monday 27th – Friday 31st October/ HALF TERM WEEK	
Monday 1st December	Occasional Day
Friday 19th December	End of term
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January/CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Monday 16th– Friday 20th February/HALF TERM WEEK	
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April/EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Monday 25th -Friday 29th May/HALF TERM WEEK	
Wednesday 22nd July	End of term



Our Lions class out and about, interviewing local shopkeepers as part of our local history project...