

July 2024



Dear Parents/Carers

The academic year is drawing to a close and we are thinking about transitions. We will soon be saying goodbye to our fantastic Year 6 children who are moving on to secondary school. They have been amazing and a credit to us. We have watched them grow and develop over their seven years with us and look forward to hearing what their highlights have been in their 'Leavers' Assembly. We wish them all well in the next stage of their education journey - they are more than ready to face a new set of challenges.

Children throughout the rest of the school are looking forward to moving up a year. Their new teachers will informally introduce themselves, from now on, to children who will be in their new class, and seek opportunities to make connections and become familiar to them.

Our formal transition afternoons, where children will be working with their new teachers, are on the afternoons of **Monday 8th July and Wednesday 10th July.**

Teachers

Academic Year 2024 - 2025

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| Year R Rabbits | Mrs Ashton |
| Year 1 | Miss Doherty |
| Year 2 | Miss Anstee |
| Year 3 Blackbirds | Mrs Faye Miss McBryde |
| Year 4 Foxes | Ms Britt Miss McBryde |
| Year 5 | Mrs French |
| Year 6 Owls | Mrs Popham Mrs Hill |

Meet Your Child's New Teacher

Parents will be able to meet their child's new teacher on **Wednesday 10th July at 3:10pm.** Please meet your child on the playground, at the end of the day, and come back into school.

Your child will be able to show you where to go.

Staffing Changes

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Mrs Irvine, Mrs Drew and Mrs Arthur.

Mrs Irvine has been at Woodcot for 29 years. She has taught many children during her time with us. Her love of sport is infectious and Woodcot children have benefitted from her passion for all things sporty.

Mrs Drew has worked as both a 1:1, supporting SEN needs, and as a classroom Teaching Assistant. She has made amazing relationships with the children and is passionate about making sure they receive the best support.

Mrs Arthur has welcomed many children and families during her time in our preschool. Her dedication to making sure children had the best possible start in their educational journey shone through.

They will all be greatly missed by everyone at Woodcot.



Mrs Bacon has been successful in securing the role of Nursery (Preschool) Manager. Preschool will be known as nursery from September

CONGRATULATIONS!

This half term, we have welcomed:

Mrs Lloyd - Admin Assistant

Mr Watson - Finance Officer & Officer Manager

In September, we will be welcoming:

Miss Doherty - Year 1 teacher

Mrs Faye - Year 3 teacher

I know you will want to join us in wishing them well in their new adventures



Diary Dates

Friday 5th July - Reports to parents
Monday 8th July - Transition Afternoon
Wednesday 10th July - Transition Afternoon
Wednesday 10th July 3:10pm - Meet your child's new teacher
Wednesday 17th July - Year 3 & 4 Gosport Giant Sing (Fort Brockhurst)
Thursday 18th July (2pm - 3pm & 6pm - 7pm) - Year 5 & 6 Play (Shakespeare Rocks)
Monday 22nd July - Non-school Uniform Day
Monday 22nd July - School Disco (KS1 4pm - 5pm & KS2 5:15pm - 6:15pm)
Tuesday 23rd July (1pm) - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Tuesday 23rd July (1:30pm) - School Finishes for the summer holiday



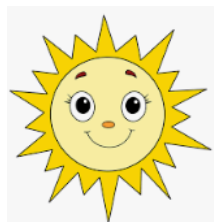
Other Staff

Acting Headteacher - Mrs Michaela Beetlestone
Acting Assistant Headteacher - Mrs Victoria Popham
Senior Teacher - Ms Sam Britt
SENCO - Miss Vanessa McBryde
Family Support Co-ordinator - Mrs Tracey Wood
Nursery Manager - Mrs Carly Bacon (Sept 2024)
Mr Adam Watson - Office Manager
Mrs Laura Morris - Admin Officer

INSET Days

Monday 2nd September 2024
Tuesday 3rd September 2024
Friday 25th October 2024
Monday 16th December 2024
Monday 6th January 2025
Thursday 1st May 2025

Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing (most of) you again on Wednesday 4th September 2024.



Holiday Dates

Click the link below for our school term time and holiday dates:
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>

Breakfast Club & After School Club

Breakfast Club runs from 7:45am until school starts. After school club runs from 3.10pm - 4.30pm. Both of these are every day and suitable for all year groups.

Breakfast Club is £3.50 per session

After School Club is £6.00 per session

Please book and pay for the sessions you need, via SCOPAY, at the beginning of the week.

Breakfast Club is free if your child qualifies for Pupil Premium (parents are in receipt of one or more qualifying benefits - see the link below). Please contact the school office if you think your child is eligible.

[Pupil Premium Checker](#)

Attendance

If your child is unwell, please phone, text or email admin@woodcotschool.co.uk We must be notified on each day your child is absent.

The school or local authority can fine parents for the unauthorised absence of their child from school.

If your child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence, within the last 100 possible sessions, a penalty notice (fine) can be issued.

Holidays will not be approved unless there are exceptional circumstances.

A leave of absence form is on our website or collect one from the school office.