

May 2024 Newsletter



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Welcome to our May newsletter.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our recent parent meetings.

If you didn't manage to make an appointment to see your child's teacher, you can call the office to make an alternative appointment. This can either be in person or a telephone call whichever is more convenient.

School Photos



Class photos will take place on Friday 3rd May. Please send all children to school in school uniform even if it is their PE day.

Access to School

To ensure the safety of staff and pupils, please do not enter the school building via the playground. Only access the school building via the school office, where you will be able to arrange to speak to the relevant member of staff.

Tasty Thursday

On Thursday 16th May, we will order a school dinner for all children who are entitled to free school meals or universal free meals. This is to give them the opportunity to taste the school lunches that are on offer to them. Children can still bring in their own packed lunch if they want to.



Year 6 Fun Run

Thank you to everyone that sponsored Year 6 for their fun run. They raised over £600 which will go towards the purchase of the Year 6 leavers' hoodies and their end of year trip to Paultons Park. Thank you to Mrs Magill and Mrs Skuse for helping to organise the event.



Summer Fayre

The next Friends of Woodcot fundraising event is our Summer Fayre on Saturday 29th June 12pm until 3pm on the school field. Please come along, and bring your friends, to support this event.



Friends of Woodcot

Well done to Friends of Woodcot for all their hard work raising money for the pool and thank you to all of you that came to support the events. As a result of the Easter fayre, the disco and the cake sale, they have now raised £1000.



School Dinners

During the summer term, children can order a cold option (picnic bag) for their school lunch.



Uniform Reminder

School Uniform

- Gold or white polo shirts
- Grey or black trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses
- Yellow gingham dresses can be worn in the warm weather
- Black shoes (black trainers without logos are permissible) - all shoes should be low heeled
- Plain coloured flat sandals are permitted in the summer term (no flipflops)
- Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan (ideally with the school logo)
- Book bag (ideally with the school logo)



Please note: a small bag can be brought into school if not using a school book bag

PE Kit

Children need to come into school wearing their PE kit, on their PE days. They will wear their PE kit all day. This will allow the children to spend more time engaging in physical activity. Our school PE kit is:

- House coloured t-shirt (school logo optional)
- Plain black shorts
- Plain black plimsolls or trainers
- Plain black jogging bottoms
- Plain black zipped hoodie

Please note: Logos, stripes, designs and pictures should not be worn on clothes or footwear

Diary Dates

Friday 3rd May - Class Photos
Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday
Thursday 16th May - Tasty Thursday
Thursday 16th May - Year R Beach School Trip
Tuesday 21st May - Year 6 to Paultons Park (letter to follow)
Friday 24th May - Last day of the half term
Monday 3rd June - Return to school after the half term holiday
Monday June 10th - Friday June 14th - Year 5 Stubbington Residential
Thursday 27th June - Sports day
Saturday 29th June 12pm - 3pm - Summer Fayre (on the school field)
Wednesday 3rd July (2pm - 3pm & 6pm - 7pm) - Year 5 & 6 Play (Shakespeare Rocks)
Wednesday 17th July - Year 3 & 4 Gosport Giant Sing (Fort Brockhurst)
Tuesday 23rd July (1:30pm) - School Finishes for the summer holiday



Pre-loved Uniform

Our Pre-loved Uniform Hub is available to everyone. Pop along to our coffee mornings and have a look through to see if there is anything you need. Alternatively, contact Mrs Wood, via the school office and she will be able to help you. you can swap clothes or just take what you need (small donations are completely voluntary).



Car Park

The school car park is for staff only, Those who hold a blue badge and have registered with the office, may use the disabled bays if available. Disabled spaces are not guaranteed and are subject to availability.



Primary age children undertake the following National Assessment Tests:

Year 1

National Phonics Check

Week commencing 10th June 2024

Year 4

Multiplication Checks

Week commencing 3rd June 2024

Year 6

Key Stage 2 SATS

Mon 13th May – Thurs 16th May 2024

Please note - Guidance from Hampshire County Council states that parents will be fined if children miss a national test for any unauthorised reason.

Attendance

If your child is unwell, please phone, text or email admin@woodcot.school.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 you 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.

Holiday Dates

Click the link below for our school term time and holiday dates:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schoolholidays>