

January 2024 Newsletter



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Welcome to this first newsletter of the year. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. It was lovely to see so many smiling faces returning to school ready to embark on new adventures in their learning.



Our next coffee morning is on Wednesday 31st January at 8:45am. Come along for a cuppa and a chat.

Mrs Wood, our Family Support Co-ordinator, and the school nurse will be available to talk about any issues you may have at home such as behaviour, anxiety, sleep, toileting etc.

Our pre-loved uniform will be available for you to browse and take what you need



PE Days

On their PE days, children should come to school wearing their PE kit.

Year R - Tuesday & Friday

Year 1 - Monday & Friday

Year 2 - Monday & Friday

Year 3 - Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 4 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 5 - Monday & Thursday

Year 6 - Thursday & Friday



PE Uniform

- * 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

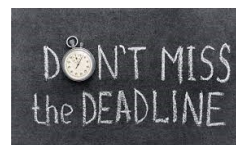
Mrs Clist - Update

Mrs Clist is starting her treatment very soon and is feeling very positive. She is greatly missed by all the staff, children and parents at Woodcot Primary School and I'm sure you will all want to join us in wishing her well on her journey of recovery.

Year R Starting in September 2024

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The closing date for online applications is Monday 15th January 2024.



Online applications are accessible at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

Free Games Event



FREE Games Event for Families at Woodcot Primary School

**Come and join us on 29th January 2024
3.15pm until 5.30pm**

Imagine...no phones, no screens, just having fun as a family. Take a break and share dedicated time with your children to play games. The Multiply Team know that games are a fantastic opportunity to encourage mathematical thinking in so many ways. They are providing a FREE games event to give you that special time with your family whilst enhancing your inner mathematician! Book your space now via this link:

<https://forms.gle/8gGytpYysjYhqJYCA>

Volunteering

If you have an hour or two spare each week and would like to volunteer in school, then please contact the school office by emailing

adminoffice@woodcot.hants.sch.uk



Diary Dates

Wednesday 24th January - Year R and Year 6 Health Checks
Thursday 25th January at 8:45am - Year R Stay & Learn
Monday 29th January 3:30pm to 5:30pm - Games Night
Wednesday 31st January at 8:45am - Parent Coffee Morning
Thursday 1st February - Key Stage 2 University Technology Taster Day (in school)
Monday 5th February at 2:45pm - Year 3 and 4 Curriculum Outcome
Tuesday 6th February at 2:45pm - Year 5 and 6 Curriculum Outcome
Wednesday 7th February at 2:45pm - Year 1 and 2 Curriculum Outcome
Thursday 2nd May - INSET DAY
Thursday 27th June - Sports day



Welcome

We would like to welcome Mrs Shannon McGowan and Mrs Steele to the Woodcot team. Mrs McGowan has joined us as a Teaching Assistant and Mrs Steele as a Lunch Leader.

Respectful Parking

Please ensure that our disabled parking bays are only used by people with a blue badge. We have several families who rely on being able to park close to the school entrance.

When parking outside the school, please be aware of the double yellow lines. These are here to keep our children safe when coming to and leaving school.

Holiday Dates

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

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

Pre-loved Uniform Hub

We have lots of pre-loved uniform - you can swap clothes or just take what you need (small donations are completely voluntary).

Contact our Family Support Co-ordinator, Mrs Wood, via the school office., if you would like to browse our pre-loved uniform. Alternatively, look out for her on the playground, at the start of the day, and she will arrange for you to come in and take a look.



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 adminoffice@woodcot.hants.sch.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.

You can request a leave of absence form via email or pick one up from the school office.