

# April 2026 Newsletter

## Welcome to our April Newsletter!

We hope you're having a fantastic break and look forward to welcoming you back on **Monday, 13th April.**



## Staff Changes

At the end of last half term, we said goodbye to Mrs Heberd, who has been working at the school as a Teaching Assistant. We thank her for her hard work and support for our pupils and wish her all the best for the future.



## Website & Facebook

We put lots of information on our website and our Facebook page. Access our website by the bellow link

<https://www.woodcotschool.co.uk/>

Or

Access our Facebook by clicking:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057483436595>



## Summer School Uniform

Hopefully, after Easter, we can start to look forward to warmer weather and children may want to wear shorts, sandals and summer dresses. Just a reminder that our school dresses are yellow gingham and are widely available online. Sandals must be suitable for running around in safely during break and lunch time (no flip flops or crocs).



## Primary age children undertake the following

### National Assessment Tests:

#### Year 1

National Phonics Check

**Week commencing 8th June 2026**

#### Year 4

Multiplication Checks

**Week commencing 1st June 2026**

#### Year 6

Key Stage 2 SATS

**Mon 11th May – Thurs 14th May 2026**

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

## 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

**Return to school** - Monday 13th April  
**Year 2 SeaCity Trip** - Thursday 16th April  
**Year 5 Southampton Art Gallery Trip** - Thursday 16th April  
**Year 3 Fort Nelson Trip** - Wednesday 22nd April  
**Year 1 Manor Farm Trip** - Wednesday 29th April  
**Whole school assembly Olympic Sport Event** - Friday 1st May  
**Bank Holiday** - Monday 4th May  
**Year 4 Stubbington Study Centre Residential** - Tuesday 5th May until Friday 8th May  
**INSET Day** - Thursday 7th May  
**Year 6 SATS** - Monday 11th May until Thursday 14th May  
**Year 6 Paulton's Park Trip** - Tuesday 19th May  
**Friday 22nd May** - Break up for half term  
**Return to school** - Monday 1st June  
**Assessment Week** - Monday 8th June until Friday 12th June  
**Class Photo's** - Wednesday 17th June  
**Year R Wild Beach School** - Monday 22nd June  
**Wednesday 24th June** - Sports Day 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**Year 6 Leavers Party** - Monday 6th July  
**Year 5&6 Show** - Wednesday 15th July 2026 - 2pm - 3pm & 6pm - 7pm  
**Summer Disco** - Tuesday 21st July **KS1** 4:00pm - 4:45pm & **KS2** 5:00pm - 5:45pm  
**Last day of term** - Wednesday 22nd July - **Early finish 1:30pm**



### Holiday Dates

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

### Attendance

If your child is unwell, please phone, text or email [admin@woodcotschool.co.uk](mailto: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 under any circumstances**

### Attendance Matters

At Woodcot, we believe good attendance is vital for a child to achieve their **full potential**.

We aim to promote good attendance by providing a **safe and motivating environment** for all children.

We believe that: **every child matters, every day matters, every minute matters**

**Therefore**, it is really important that your child attends school, on time, every day.

We monitor attendance and lateness closely. If we notice a concern, we will contact you via text, phone call or letter.

If you need support with your child's attendance, or getting them to school on time, please reach out to a member of the attendance team or your child's class teacher.

### Every Minute Counts

| Always on time!           | No hours missed! | No learning missed!      |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 5 minutes late each day   | 15 hours missed  | 3 days learning missed   |
| 10 minutes late every day | 32 hours missed  | 6.5 days learning missed |
| 20 minutes late each day  | 65 hours missed  | 13 days learning missed  |
| 30 minutes late each day  | 95 hours missed  | 19 days learning missed  |

**'90% attendance' or 'only 5 minutes late' may sound like small issues, but the amount of learning missed is huge!**