

How to contact the school

Just a quick reminder of the ways you can communicate with the school:

- ✓ Speak to the class teacher or learning support assistant at the start and end of the school day
- ✓ Email the office at enquiries@woodlandsprimaryacademy.org.uk
- ✓ Leave a message on EduLink
- ✓ Leave a message using Class Dojo
- ✓ Send a letter in with your child
- ✓ Speak to Ms Humphreys or Miss Jermy in the office.
- ✓ Leave a message on the answerphone if there is nobody available.

Attendance

At Woodlands Primary Academy we know that good attendance is the key to successful schooling.

Our whole school attendance target is 96%, the national attendance figure. For the week ending on Friday 4th December, the whole school's attendance was 95.5%.

The highest class in Reception and KS1 was 1G with 97.9%; they will be joined by Pearl the teddy in their class for the week.

The highest class in KS2 was 4P, achieving a fantastic 100%. They are joined by Geoff the giraffe!

School Dinners

The week commencing Monday 11th January will be Week 2 of the menu.



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11th December 2020

This will be the last newsletter or 2020, just a week earlier than expected! We were getting very festive in school this week, trees and decorations in the classrooms, words being learnt for the class productions... But we have had to pause on that for a few weeks.

Working together - Covid 19

I would like to thank you all for the support you have given the school this term. It has not been easy, and we appreciate your coming in the right gates, wearing masks and keeping children off school to isolate or get tested when needed. It is very sad that we have had to make the decision to close the school, several of the positive cases we have had did not have any of the typical symptoms, just tiredness and a sniffly nose. Hopefully none of our families will have to isolate over Christmas due to picking up Covid in school.

I would also like to say thank you for all the positive messages we have had since announcing the closure. Bev, Vivienne and Debbie in the office receive all of the calls, they have been doing a sterling job the last week sending out letters and messages, they have really appreciated the positivity.



Christmas at Woodlands

We will not let this closure stop us from celebrating Christmas - it will just be a little later than normal. With songs and lines being learnt, costumes sorted, it seems a shame to not use all that hard work, so we will be filming the classes Christmas performances when we come back to school.

Christmas dinner will be on Friday 8th January. This will be our Christmas Jumper day, raising money for Save the Children, we ask for a £1 donation, it will be a non-school uniform day with a Christmas theme! If you have already booked the Christmas dinner, we will just transfer the booking to this day, you do not need to do anything.

We were due to take part in an on-line panto on the 16th December. Mr Ainslie will be sending the link to that out on class Dojo so you will still be able to join in.

School dinners - first few days back

The menu for the first few day back in school will be:

Wed 6th - Fish and chip

Thursday 7th - Burgers

Friday 8th - Christmas dinner

After that we will be on Week 2 menu from Monday 11th January

Free School Meals Vouchers

As the school will be closed next week, those of you who are entitled to free school meals and who got the vouchers during the last lockdown, will receive a voucher for next week, as well as the 2 weeks you will get for the Christmas holidays. You will be emailed your codes for next weeks voucher in the next day or so, and the voucher for the two Christmas weeks will be sent out next weekend.

All that remains for me to say is from everyone here at Woodlands we hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and a very happy and healthy new year.



What's been happening this week...

3SC have made hat prototypes to test ideas, ready to build an Alice in Wonderland themed hat for our end of term topic party.





Also, we have a tetrahedron Robin advent calendar in class!



Year 3 have been learning all about instruction writing. We are focusing on the set of instructions about how to make Victorian gruel for the children in the workhouse. We had lots of fun using actions to help us learn how to make Victorian gruel.

