

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 Arbor
- ✓ Leave a message using Class Dojo
- ✓ Send a letter in with your child
- ✓ Speak to Mx Humphreys, Mrs Aldred or Miss Jermy in the office between 8.30am and 4pm.
- ✓ Leave a message on the answerphone if there is nobody available. Our number is 01493 665314.

Attendance

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

Our whole school attendance target this year is 95.5%. For the week ending Friday 3 February, the whole school's attendance was 93%

The highest class in Reception and KS1 was 2GB with 95.1%; they will be joined by Pearl the teddy in their class for the week.

The highest class in KS2 was 6CB with 96.5% and they will be joined by Geoff the giraffe!

School Dinners

The week commencing Monday 20th February will be **Week 1 of the new menu.**



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10 February 2023

We have come to the end of another half term; time seems to be flying by. It has been a half term packed full of amazing learning from a Space Dome in Year 5 to making greenhouses with parents in Year 2. We are excited to see what next half term brings.

Today, we say goodbye to Mr Cook, Mrs Pratt and Mr Tovell. They have done amazing work supporting the children and they will be sorely missed by the children and their colleagues here at Woodlands. We wish them all the very best for the future and whatever adventures lay ahead.

Thank you for your continued support and please enjoy the half term break; we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 20th February 2023.

Sports News

They have done it again! The U11 Girls Football team followed up their 7 a side County victory by winning the Norwich City Schools Cup this week. This is the 3rd consecutive year Woodlands have lifted the trophy with 3 different groups of girls - a remarkable achievement for the school! The girls were once again imperious, not conceding a goal all day, topping their group and winning the Final 2-0 against Queens Hill Primary School. Another road trip awaits - the girls will travel to Luton at the end of February to represent Norwich City FC. Well done all!



New Menu for Spring and Summer

A copy of the new menu for Spring and Summer 2023 is being sent out with this newsletter. The first week back will be Week One.

General Communication

If you have any worries or concerns about your child, your first port of call should be your child's class teacher. You can catch them at the door, or you can send them a message on Dojo.

If this does not resolve your issue, please speak to the office so we can pass your concern on to a member of Senior Leadership Team.

Please ensure you are all signed up to Arbor, as this is the main way the office will communicate with you. We no longer use Edulink. Please report absences via Arbor or by leaving a voice message on the answer phone. Many thanks.

SEND update

We have now begun our second round of Learning Passport meetings. Your child's class teacher will be in touch with you to arrange the meeting. The meetings will be spaced over this term.

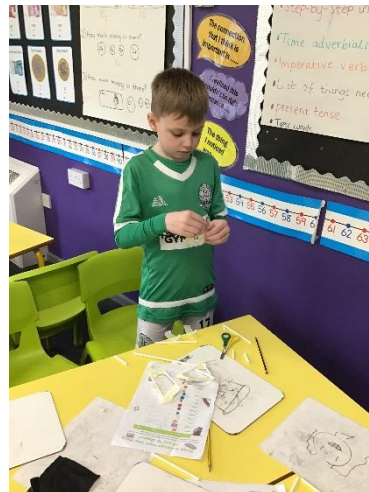
Our next SEN café is on Wednesday 22nd February after school. Drop in any time between 3.20 and 3.30, with a speaker from Hillside Special Resource Base (SRB) between 3.30 and 4.

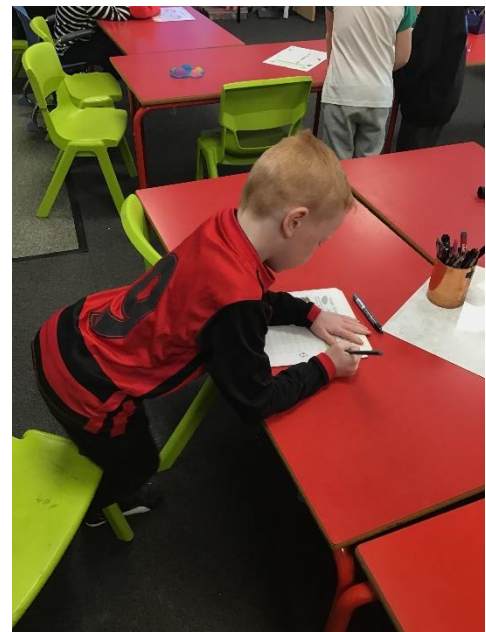
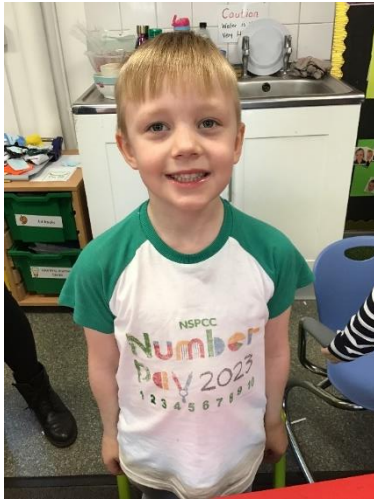
This café will be an opportunity for parents/carers of children with SEND to gain support and knowledge of **Specialist Resource Base support – focused on our local base at Hillside Primary**. Your child can be pre, post or no diagnosis – all are welcome to attend.

NSPCC Number Day

Woodlands had a fantastic day celebrating everything number! A wide range of activities took place such as creating and making a board game, a visit to the woods and practising our numbers in Spanish! We had some amazing outfits on the day. Thank you for the generous donations, we have been able to raise £156, which has gone directly to the NSPCC.

As a school, we also took part in the NSPCC Rocks tournament. Children were very excited to see their scores go up and try to beat their year group class. A big well done to Isla C, for answering the most questions correct, becoming the school's most valuable player. Well done to Tommy W and Dexter P for coming 2nd and 3rd. Thank you everyone for your efforts in the tournament; Woodlands came in the top 30% of all school who took part.





What's been happening in school...

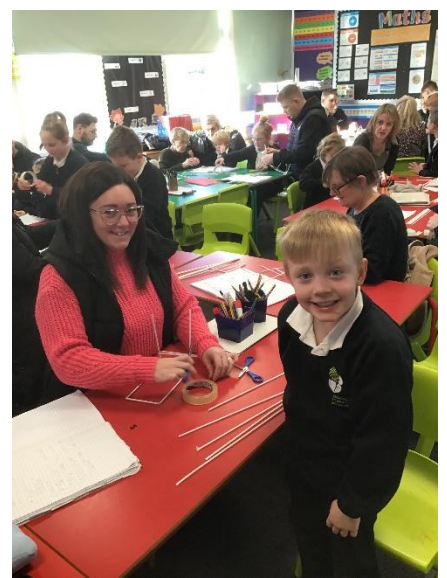
Year 2 had a great day learning about numbers and shapes. They started the day learning about the properties of shapes and had a shape hunt around the classroom. Then they used their knowledge of 3D shapes to create a cuboid. They finished the day with maths colouring, shopping and paying for a biscuit!



RD have been learning about penguins that live in Antarctica. They have looked at different species, and learnt some facts about them including their sizes and what they eat. Their favourite penguins have been the emperor penguin and the blue penguins (also known as fairy penguins) because they are the biggest and the smallest penguin species! They have read lots of stories and watched the penguins live at different zoos! They even painted their own penguins which look amazing!



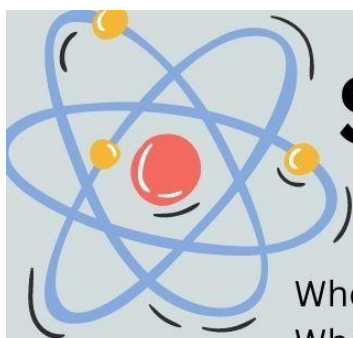
Thank you to those who were able to join Year 2 for their Fabulous Finish. The children have been learning about plants this term and so they invited their adults in to make a greenhouse following the children's written instructions. It was a wonderful afternoon and great to see the children using their imperative verbs alongside their shape skills from number day.



Dates for your diary

More details will follow for future events will follow in due course

Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February	Half Term
Tuesday 21 February	U11 Boys v Hillside
Thursday 23 February	Years 3 - 6 Cross Country Competition
Friday 24 February	U11 Girls v Northgate
Tuesday 28 February	Year 6 Basketball Competition
Wednesday 1 March	U11 Boys v Peterhouse
Thursday 2 March	World Book Day
Friday 3 March	U11 Boys v St Marys
Tuesday 7 March	U11 Girls League and Cup Match at Peterhouse
Thursday 9 March	U11 Girls v Cliff Park
Wednesday 15 March	Young Carers Action Day
Friday 17 March	Red Nose Day
Friday 31 March	Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 17 April	Start of Summer Term - children return to school



Science Camp

Who: Anyone aged between 6-10

When: Wednesday 15th February

Time: 10am-3pm

Where: East Norfolk Sixth Form, NR31 8TF

Include: Cooked Lunch

Cost: £12.50

Book now via our website

<https://events.eastnorfolk.ac.uk/>

Or via the QR Code



February Half Term

Sessions:

- Football 5-7 years
- Football 7-12 years
- Multi-Sports
- Art 5-7 years **Limited spaces**
- Science **Limited spaces**



£12.50 per session

10am - 3pm

Hot lunch included

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Workshops at EN

- Exploring Microscopic Worlds
- The Great Eggscape
- MTA Construction Challenge
- Build and Code a Robot
- Reach for the Stars: Shadows
- Mordants and the uses in Natural Dyeing
- 3D Structural Engineering
- Photoelasticity
- Rocket to the Moon
- Criminal Minds
- Kitchen Science
- Camera-less Photography: Cyanotypes
- Esports Tournament

Monday 13th
February 2023



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CARNAVAL!

Carnaval Community Workshops

RHINO MASK DESIGN BY PUPPET WITH GUTS

RHINO MASK MAKING

2:30PM - 5.30PM



FINE CITY SAMBA DRUMMING WORKSHOP

5.30PM - 7.30PM

11TH FEBRUARY

THE DRILL HOUSE, GREAT YARMOUTH, NR30 2LZ
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RAMPAGE PARADE!**

Starting from The Drill House 3PM

17TH FEBRUARY 1-6PM

THE DRILL HOUSE, GREAT YARMOUTH, NR30 2LZ

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Donations welcome on the door.

Portuguese speakers will be present during the event.



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Become a Mini Medic!

Date: 17th April 2023 Book a place at: <https://events.eastnorfolk.ac.uk/>

Time: 4pm-5pm

Venue: East Norfolk Sixth Form College

This fantastic session is a great way to learn basic first aid. It is a first aid course aimed at children between the ages of 7 and 11. Parents are welcome to stay and learn with their children.

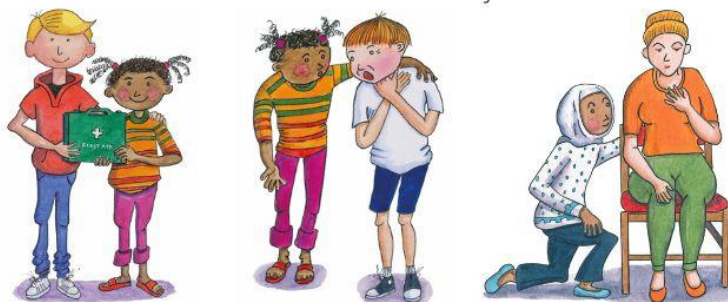
Course Content:

What is First Aid?

DR ABC

CPR

Recovery Position



This session is £6 which includes a Mini Medics First Aid book and certificate