

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 20th January, the whole school's attendance was 94%

The highest class in Reception and KS1 was 2GB with 96%; they will be joined by Pearl the teddy in their class for the week.

The highest class in KS2 was 6MB with 97% and they will be joined by Geoff the giraffe!

School Dinners

The week commencing Monday 30th January will be Week 1 of the menu.



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Another week has flown by!! As we are starting to see the first signs of Spring, children have been making the most of the outdoor area with continued Bushcraft sessions and outdoor PE. This week we have also had the most amazing Spanish Day in school - there has been salsa dancing, food tasting and children confidently using the Spanish they have learnt in different contexts.

Walking around the school feels really settled this week; children are engaged and enthusiastic in their learning. There are more exciting things ahead! Next week alone, we have Key Stage 2 lunchtime computer club starting (Mondays and Wednesdays), run by the school's digital leaders. On Tuesday (31st January), Year 6 are going to Lynn Grove to watch a production of the Wizard of Oz and on Friday (3rd February) it is NSPCC Number Day (number-themed dressing up is encouraged).

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. 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.

Attendance update

Next week sees the launch of our Mystery Three Secret Mission. Each Friday, three children will be selected to be one of the Mystery Three for the following week. They are then tasked with coming to school everyday for the following week. If they achieve their mission, they will earn a prize for their whole class. Mystery Three children will be given their secret mission envelopes on Fridays and parents will also be notified via text. First Mystery Three children will be selected on Friday 3rd February 2023.....



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 in the pipeline. More details will follow shortly.

We will be focusing on Hillside Special Resource Base (SRB). We are also very excited to have a speaker attend!

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.

Sports News

An enormous well done to our U11 CSF Team who finished 6th in a very tightly contested Champions Day. They beat both the eventual finalists but couldn't quite make the semi-final. It is the turn of the all-girls team in a couple of weeks' time. Good luck girls.



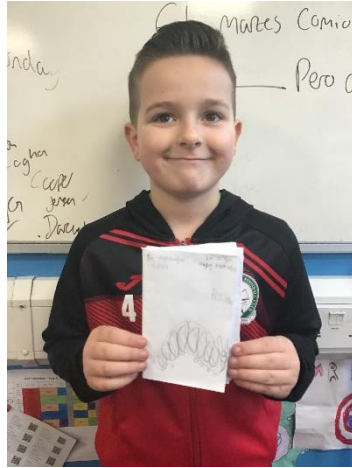
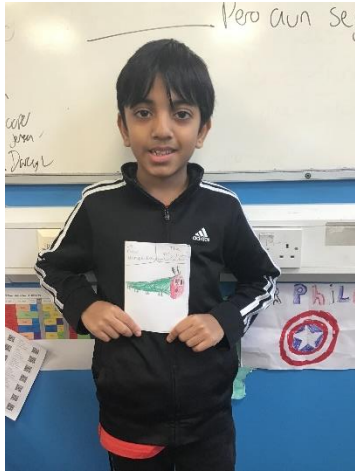
Good luck to our 7-a-side girls in their Football Norfolk Final next Thursday. Firsides will be coming to Woodlands for the big match!

What's been happening in school...

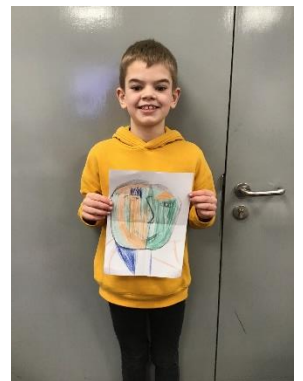
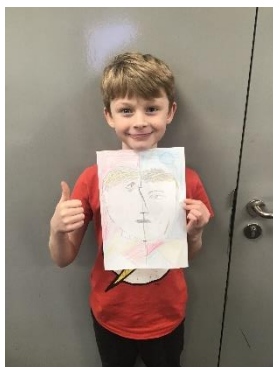
On Tuesday, Year 6 went on a trip to East Norfolk Sixth Form College to learn about the Chinese New Year. They took part in their own lion dance, painted masks and made lanterns.



On Spanish Day, Year 4 completed their own version of The Very Hungry Caterpillar with Spanish and English translations. The finished products were incredible!



In addition, Year 4 looked at the works of Pablo Picasso and explored his style of portraits using abstract shapes and designs. We created our own self-portraits that shows off the side profile and front profile of the children. It was a difficult concept, but the finished pieces look spectacular!

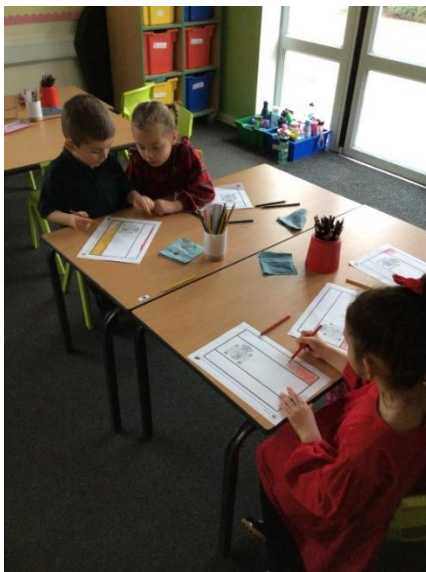


More photos from Spanish day...

Everyone had an amazing Spanish Day, children in Years 1 and 2 were trying some salsa with Mr Holmes!



Reception and Year 1 enjoyed creating the Spanish flag and painting beautiful pictures.



Dates for your diary

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

Friday 3 February	NSPCC Number Day
Tuesday 7 February	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 9 February	Reception screening catch up
Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February	Half Term
Thursday 2 March	World Book Day
Wednesday 15 March	Young Carers Action Day
Friday 31 March	Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 17 April	Start of Summer Term - children return to school