



Woodlands Infant & Nursery School

Inspire, Grow, Succeed

Newsletter 3 October 2018



Headteachers message

Welcome back to school everyone, we have had a lovely start to the new term with children settling really quickly. I really enjoyed being out at playtime today watching everybody having fun together in coats, hats, scarves and gloves!

Many thanks to everyone who completed our parent/carers questionnaire before the break (the results are on the back page). Your views are very important to us. Some parents wanted to know more about the functions of the Governing Body:

The main functions of the governing body are to oversee the financial performance of the school, making sure public money is well spent; they hold the Headteacher to account over the academic performance of the children in the school. They are responsible for making sure the school provides a good level of education. Governors are volunteers, they come from a range of different professions and must always include at least one parent governor. We are very lucky with the governors we have at Woodlands, they are very supportive of our school and keen to ensure that we are all doing our jobs effectively. If you would like to find out more about our governors, please take a look at our website.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Mrs Bowman
Executive Headteacher

Woodland Infant & Nursery School **Reception Open Day**

We will be holding a Reception Open Day on:

Wednesday 14th November

From 2 pm - 5.30 pm.

Please come along and speak with the Headteacher and Reception teachers to find out more about what happens in Reception. If you know of anyone who would like to look around school, please let them know to pop along.

Birchwood Junior School **Year 2 to Year 3 Open Evening**

Birchwood Junior school will be hosting an open evening for Year 2 parents and children on:

Tuesday 6th November from
3.30 pm - 5.00 pm.

Come along to speak with the Headteacher and teachers to find out more about the transition process.

Key Stage 1 Learning

This term in key stage one our topic is 'Let's remember'. The children are really excited to learn all about WWI and the impact that it had on our lives.



We appreciated the positive feedback that we received on our last topic during parents evening about how much your child had enjoyed the topic, how enthusiastic they were sharing their knowledge with this at home. We hope this will capture them in the same way!

Early Years Foundation Stage Learning

The EYFS children will all be learning about 'Celebrations' this term. They will be learning about family customs and traditions and will talk about the significant events and special times that they celebrate with family and friends.

The topics covered this term will be: Halloween, Bonfire Night, Divalli, Birthdays and Christmas.



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Concerns or Queries

If parents or carers have any concerns or queries, no matter how small or trivial you think they may be, please speak to a member of staff as soon as they arise. If we are unaware of a parents concern we are unable to act or rectify them.

Please come into school to speak with us before your issue becomes a **BIG** issue.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Key Dates

November

6th - 3.30 pm Year 2 - Year 3 Parent Open Evening at Birchwood Junior School

8th - FOWIS Film Night 4.15 pm - 5.30 pm
more information to follow

9th - Devizes Clothing Collection . **Deadline Thursday 8th November**. Please can all clothing, books etc be brought into the school office in a carrier or black bag.

Reception, Year 1 & 2 children to Birchwood Junior School to read.

14th - Reception Open Afternoon for nursery parents 2 pm - 5.30 pm

School Photos to be returned to the school office complete with payment.

16th - Children In Need - children can come to school dressed in spots

19th - Reception, Year 1 and 2 children Influenza Spray

30th - MSP Sporting Event for Year 1 children

To find out what we have been doing in school each week please follow us on twitter here you can see all of the exciting and wonderful things that have been happening in school.



@woodlandsinfant

ParentMail

You may have noticed that you are now able to report your child's absence on ParentMail.

On the Absences Tab you will be asked to fill in the day, duration of absence and reason for the absence. Please be as specific as you can.

You now have 2 options of reporting your child's absence, either on ParentMail or via the answer machine via the school office.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder of the timings for Breakfast Club.

Breakfast and activities are from:

7:50 am - 8:25 am

Activities **ONLY** are from:

8:30 am - 9:00 am

Breakfast will **NOT be** served after 8:30 am, so please ensure your child has eaten when arriving at 8:30 am for activities.



PE KIT

Please can we ask that a **named PE Kit** is brought into school for the Reception, Year 1 and 2 children on a Monday morning and placed on their peg. It will be sent home on a Friday afternoon for washing over the weekend.

This way the children will have a PE kit in school for whenever it is required during the week.



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		Strongly agree and agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree and strongly disagree	Don't know
1	My child is happy at school	98%	2%		
2	My child feels safe at school	97%	3%		
3	My child is making good progress at school	93%	6%	1%	
4	My child is well looked after at this school	97%	3%		
5	My child is taught well at this school	99%			1%
6	Staff expect my child to work hard	92%	7%		1%
7	This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	93%	6%	1%	
8	My child is not bullied	89%	8%	2%	1%
9	This school deals effectively with bullying	68%	18%	1%	13%
10	The school is well led and managed	93%	7%		
11	School staff are approachable	97%	2%		1%
12	This school responds well to any concerns I raise	97%	3%		
13	The school is better than it was 12 months ago	57%	22%		21%
14	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	94%	4%	2%	
15	There are good after school clubs at school	66%	20%	1%	13%
16	I understand the role and responsibility of the governing body	71%	19%	4%	6%
17	I know how to contact the Governing body if I need to	67%	10%	11%	12%
18	I would recommend this school to another parent	94%	4%	1%	1%

Many thanks to all the parents and carers who completed the questionnaire for us; please see the results above.

As a follow up, I have written a short piece about the governing body in my introduction and we will be reassessing our after school clubs and asking the children what they would like.

Poppies

We are once again helping to raise awareness for the veterans of The Royal British Legion. We will be helping to raise funds by selling poppies to children, parents and carers. Poppies are available from the school office if your child would like one.

All donations for this very worthwhile appeal will be greatly received.



Lest We Forget.

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