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Dear parents and carers,
We have had a super two weeks as we approach a major time in the school year - SATs. Next week, Year 6 will undertake their formal assessments and we wish them every success. The children have shown a wonderful attitude to this challenge, with a confidence and positivity which shows their growing maturity. We wish our Year 6 children all the best next week. Our Year 2 children have also begun their assessments, which they have approached with typical Year 2 children have also begun their assessments, which they have approached with typical are, able to approach the assessments knowing that they need to do their best, but that we will are, able to approach the assessments knowing that they need to do their best, but that we will
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between now and July.

I am sending out a parental questionnaire today which I would be very grateful if you could spend some time completing. At school we work hard to ensure that our children succeed and a key part of that is the positive relationship we build with parents and families. You will have received your child's summer term curriculum newsletter this week, which keeps you informed about the learning going on in school this term. There are also the ways in which you can support your child to succeed, and if there is anything further we can do to help, then please just let us know. There will be things that are going well and there may be ways in which we can continue to improve. Again, if this is the case - please let us know. I would appreciate if you could complete the questionnaire and return it to school via your child's class or the office. Thank you in advance for your time and your thoughts.

Thank you for your continued commitment to your child's positive attendance in school. Last week we celebrated a range of attendance awards together in assembly. This is an area of school life where we have really made a positive improvement, which would not be possible without the support from families. Can I remind you that School will be closed to all children for the European Elections on Thursday 23rd May 2019, but will be open again on Friday 24th May. We will have another action packed day of fun and learning - so I all children must attend school on that day. Thank you in advance for making sure your child does not miss out.

At our regular staff meeting last night, we as a team discussed our aspirations and ambitions for the ongoing success of our school. As a staff we are all totally committed to the success of your child and the continued success of Woodhouse Primary Academy. All the adults that contribute within our school give significant effort to go above and beyond for the children of Woodhouse. Together we reflected on the areas where there has been positive progress and the impact of the actions undertaken. We also thought about what we could do better, how we could improve the learning and social experience for our children even further and what more we could offer, provide or do for children and families. I look forward to reading your thoughts, so that together we can ensure that Woodhouse remains a fantastic and improving school. Thank you for your continued support. I hope that you and your families have a wonderful weekend

Yours sincerely, Mr Oliver Wilson - Head Teacher

Tuesday $21^{\text {st }}$ May - Year 1 Pirate Themed Parent Workshop (1:30-3)
Wednesday $22^{\text {nd }}$ May - RW Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited

## Thursday $23^{\text {rd }}$ May

School Closed for European Elections

## (Open as usual on Friday $24^{\text {th }}$ )

Friday $24^{\text {th }}$ May - Arts Assemblies (KS2: 9-9:30 \& KS1: 2:45-3:15 Monday $27^{\text {th }}$ May - Friday $31^{\text {st }}$ May - Summer Half Term Break Wednesday $5^{\text {th }}$ Jun - 1R Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Wednesday $5^{\text {th }}$ Jun - Year 3 Visit to Empire Cinema (Morning only)
Wednesday $12^{\text {th }}$ Jun - Nursery Class Assembly (9-9:30)
Parents invited
Thursday $13^{\text {th }}$ Jun - 5W Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Tuesday $18^{\text {th }}$ Jun - Reception Visit to RAF Cosford
Wednesday $19^{\text {th }}-21^{\text {st }}$ Jun - Year 5 Bushcraft Residential - Enquire at the main office for details
Wednesday $19^{\text {th }}$ Jun - 1L Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Thursday $20^{\text {th }}$ Jun - Year 4 Parent Workshop (2-3:15)
Wednesday $26^{\text {th }}$ Jun - RO Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Wednesday $26^{\text {th }}$ Jun - Year 1 Visit to Weston Super Mare
Thursday $27^{\text {th }}$ Jun - 3A Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Tuesday $2^{\text {nd }}$ Jul - School Cabinet visit to Houses of Parliament
Wednesday $3^{\text {rd }}$ Jul - 2WP Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Wednesday $3^{\text {rd }}$ Jul - Summer Fayre (details to follow)
Thursday $4^{\text {th }}$ Jul -4 W Class Assembly (9-9:30) Parents invited
Friday $5^{\text {th }}$ Jul - Arts Assemblies (KS2: 9-9:30 \& KS1: 2:45-3:15)
Tuesday $9^{\text {th }}$ Jul - Year 4-6 Guitar and Clarinet Concert (9:30-10) Parents Invited
Friday $12^{\text {th }}$ Jul - KS2 Summer Concert (9:30-10)
Wednesday $17^{\text {th }}$ Jul - Year 6 Performance
Thursday $18^{\text {th }}$ Jul - Year 6 Graduation \& BBQ
Friday $19^{\text {th }}$ Jul - Last day of school for Children
Monday $22^{\text {nd }}$ Jul - School Closed to Children for Staff Training
Tuesday $23^{\text {rd }}$ Jul - Friday $30^{\text {th }}$ Aug - Summer Break

## attendance <br> MAHERS

## $29^{\text {th }}$ April - $3^{\text {rd }}$ May 2019

Yearly attendance is currently running at: $95.89 \%$ Last Week's attendance was: 95.75\%
Our Attendance target for this year is $97 \%$


Our attendance figures are looking really strong at the moment and that is down to each and every one of you for getting into school as much as possible.
Our persistent absentee figures have decreased massively over the past year. Up to this date this year they are just over $5 \%$ whereas last year, at this point it was almost $11 \%$.
We have given out a record number of attendance certificates for the spring term and currently have 90 children with $100 \%$ for the whole year which is set to double last year's figures!
Our end of year $100 \%$ attendance visit has been booked. Children will be going for and afternoon of lunch and bowling!
We are so proud of the improvements the children have made and are continuing to make each and every day.

Keep up the great work!

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Congratulations to all of these children who have gone over and above with their effort in class and around school this week. We are very proud of each and every one of you. Keep up the good work.

Things to make you go
If you had to stay one age forever
What would it be and why?


## A visit from our Reading Patron

This week year five were lucky enough to be visited by Eamonn Reilly, our reading patron. We had a great morning of fun delving into the processes that are involved when writing a story.

We spent the most part of the day generating characters in groups thinking carefully about how we can describe characters in a way that really engages our reader. Then we began thinking about our mystery plot, in particular thinking about the crime our child detectives would solve and the clues which would be left behind. We will be continuing the work we started with Eamonn shortly and hope you will be as excited to read our stories as we are!

Eamonn was extremely pleased with how hard the children worked commenting especially on how amazing the children were when working collaboratively. It truly was a fun experience for all involved including the staff who funnily enough feature heavily in the stories!

A big thank you to everyone who has already brought batteries into school for our Big Battery Hunt.
If you need to empty your box, please take them to Mr Oakley in Reception.


There are 190 School Days a Year
That leaves 175 days every year to spend on family time, celebrations, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.

| 190 Days at School <br> 190 days for your child's education | 9 Days Absence <br> 181 Days at School | 12 Days Absence <br> 178 Days at School | 30 Days Absence Six weeks of school missed!! <br> 162 Days at School | More than half a term missed <br> 161 Days at School or Less!! |
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| 98-100\% | 95-98\% | 93-95\% | 90-93\% | Below 90\% |
| Excellent! <br> Best chance of success. A flying start for your child | Good Attendance! Your child is likely to achieve grades for real opportunity | Watch Out! <br> Absences will make it difficult for your child to achieve their best. | Danger! <br> Missing so much time from school makes it difficult to keep in touch with lessons or work. | Take Action Now!! <br> It will be almost impossible for your child to keep in touch with lessons or work! |

- Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve.
- Every school day counts

If you are worried about your child's attendance, please talk to us at school about it.

## Always aim for 100\% attendance



Being Late adds up to lost learning

- If you are 5 minutes late every day that adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- 15 minutes late is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.

- Being late every day can add up to a lot of lost learning time.
- Please help your child to be punctual

If you are worried about your child's attendance, please talk to us at school about it.
Always aim to be on time every day.


