

LUNCH MENU

7TH – 10TH

JANUARY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
School Closed for Staff Training	Sausage and Mashed Potatoes with Onion Gravy	Roast Dinner Day, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and with Gravy	Chicken Pie with Herby Diced Potatoes	<u>Pizza Day</u> Meat Feast Or Margherita (Larger slice of Pizza instead of chips)
	Vegetable Curry with Rice and Naan Bread	Quorn Fillet, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing with Gravy	Vegetable Sausage with Herby Diced Potatoes	Breaded Fish with Chips
	Vegetarian Ravioli			
	Broccoli Carrots	Cabbage Cauliflower	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables
	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches	Selection of Sandwiches
	Jacket Potato with A Selection of Fillings	Jacket Potato with A Selection of Fillings	Jacket Potato with A Selection of Fillings	Jacket Potato with A Selection of Fillings
	Lemon Drizzle	Apple Pie and Custard or Bananas and Custard	Blueberry Muffin	Ice Cream
Available Daily – Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Fruit Pots, Fruit Yoghurts, Cheese & Biscuits and Salad Bar				



Dear parents and carers,

What a fantastic end to our Autumn Term we are having at Woodhouse! As we head towards Christmas, we have been continuing to work hard to cram in every minute of learning we can. At the same time, we have come together as a school to celebrate the festive period, through enjoying the wonderful nativity performances from Nursery, Reception and KS1 children, our brilliant KS2 carol service at St Faith and St Lawrence Church on Thursday, sharing in a fantastic Christmas dinner and of course our wonderful Christmas fayre. Thank you all so much for your support and encouragement for the children at these events. As well as so many exciting things happening in school, our choir have been on what feels like a tour of the West Midlands, performing in venues small and large. We were delighted to be invited to represent the whole of the University of Wolverhampton Multi Academy Trust schools at the University of Wolverhampton Carol concert. Our performers were amazing, and acted as incredible ambassadors for our school and our trust. Thank you to the committed adults who make all of this excitement possible through their hard work and dedication.

The children have been hard at work over the last few weeks, producing some amazing work. We had a bumper response to our terrific topic work with some incredible work being undertaken at home. Thank you for supporting and encouraging your children to show their learning in this way. All of the children produced work to be proud of. Most of the children have completed assessments over the last week, in which they have been able to demonstrate their knowledge and apply this to different contexts. I am delighted in the effort and focus which the children have shown during this time. Well done! The outcomes information helps us to plan the next steps in learning and show which areas to focus on next.

As you know, on the 3rd and 4th December we had a visit from Ofsted for a Section 8 inspection of previously Good schools. Thank you all for the role you played in the inspection, through your comments and feedback to the inspector. Our inspector, Marilyn Mottram, spent two long days looking at our school. She spent most of her time talking with children and looking at their work to get a feel for the learning that takes place. She looked at our curriculum, including some areas in great detail to find out what life is like for the children. The school will be receiving a report to share with parents which will let you know the outcome, what things we do well and what we should do next to improve further. This is likely to go out to parents early in the new year and will then be published on the Ofsted website a few days after. Thank you for your patience with this.

Thank you again for the support you are offering school to help ensure that our attendance is the best it can be. To support you in knowing exactly where your child stands at the end of term, we have sent home an Autumn Term attendance over view for every child. We want to work with families and the wider school community to support good attendance at school, so if there is anything we can do to help, please just come and speak with a member of staff. When we return to school on **Tuesday 7th January 2020**, we will have a fresh start and an excellent opportunity to refocus on learning, regular attendance and ensuring that school is a successful time for all children. Thank you all for your superb support for our school and helping us ensure your child meets their full potential.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year – we will see you in January!

Yours sincerely, Mr Oliver Wilson – Head Teacher

Monday 23rd Dec – Friday 3rd Jan – Christmas Holidays

Monday 6th Jan – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 7th Jan – First Day Back at School

Friday 10th Jan – Reception Visit to Town Hall to see
'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'

Monday 20th Jan – Choir Visit to Young Voices at Resorts World Arena
(1 – 10:30pm)

Friday 24th Jan – 4W Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 30th Jan – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6)

Tuesday 4th Feb – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6)

Tuesday 11th Feb – 1L Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 13th Feb – 3A Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Monday 17th – Friday 21st Feb – Half Term Break

Monday 24th Feb – First Day Back at School

Tuesday 3rd Mar – 1OW Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 5th Mar – World Book Day (Plans to follow)

Friday 6th Mar – Year 5 visit to Harvington Hall

Friday 13th Mar – Sport Relief

Thursday 19th Mar – 5W Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 26th Mar – 4SO Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Tuesday 31st Mar – 2F Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Wednesday 1st Apr – Nursery visit to Attwell Farm

Thursday 2nd Apr – Last Day of Term

Friday 3rd Apr – Staff Training Day

Monday 6th – Friday 17th Apr – Easter Holidays

Monday 20th Apr – First Day Back at School

Thursday 7th May – School Closed for Elections

Friday 8th May – May Bank Holiday (Changed from Monday 4th to coincide with VE Day 75th
Anniversary)

Tuesday 19th May – RW Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Monday 25th – Friday 29th May – Half Term

Monday 1st Jun – First Day Back at School

Tuesday 9th Jun – Nursery Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 11th Jun – 5H Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Monday 15th Jun – Sports Day

Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th Jun – Year 5 Bushcraft Residential

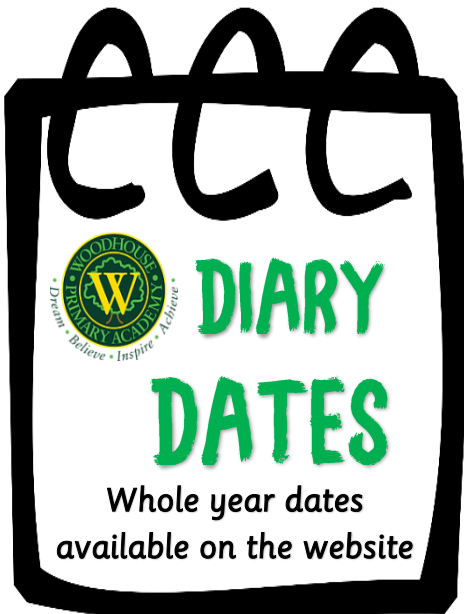
Tuesday 23rd Jun – RM Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Thursday 25th Jun – 3N Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Tuesday 30th Jun – 2G Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents Invited

Friday 3rd Jul – EYFS & KS1 Summer Concert (9 – 9:30 & repeated at 2:45 – 3:15)

Friday 10th Jul – KS2 Summer Concert (9 – 9:30 & repeated at 2:45 – 3:15)



**attendance
MATTERS**

9th – 13th December 2019

Yearly attendance is currently running at: **96.60%**

Last week's attendance was: **94.98%**

Our Attendance target for this year is 97%

Class	Attendance for the week		Class	Attendance for the week
Nursery	90.36%		3A	92.50%
RM	96.67%		3N	92.74%
RW	85.90%		4W	95.16%
1L	92.86%		4SO	97.41%
1OW	98.71%		5W	97.41%
2F	95.42%		5H	92.50%
2G	95.83%		6D	92.11%
RR	79.81%		6L	100%
			6WS	94.38%



Congratulations to **6L** who had the best class attendance for last week. We had 85 lates last week across all year groups. These, no matter how small, are lost learning time.

Weekly Lates	NSY	RM	RW	1L	1OW	2F	2G	3A	3N	4W	4SO	5W	5H	6D	6L	6WS
Before reg	3	2	3	4	8	5	3	7	10	6	5	7	9	1	0	8
After reg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SAFETY AND SECURITY OUTSIDE SCHOOL

This is a helpful note about keeping safe around school and in the community.

We have been made aware of people having left cars running and unattended outside school, sometimes with children in them. Please ensure cars are parked safely and are switched off before leaving them. It is also unsafe to leave children alone in a car whether it is on or off.

We have also been made aware of an attempted theft of two dogs within the local community. This is fairly common at this time of year with Christmas on the horizon. Please remain vigilant and keep gardens and houses secure wherever possible and report any suspicious or criminal behaviour to the Police.

Christmas Nativities

Key Stage One took centre stage this week with their own take on the nativity story. Their performance was an all singing all dancing show called 'The Innspectors'.

With 120 children involved, the Key Stage One team had a mammoth task to put together a performance that included as many children as possible. There were singers, dancers, narrators, actors and musicians that all worked together simultaneously to produce a fantastic show. They have put in a lot of hard work in rehearsals to make sure they know their parts and their cues.

Well done to all of the children and all of the team for a wonderful two performances.



APPEAL

We have recently updated our Arts Award certificates and are in need of a printing company/service to have them made up professionally. If anyone has or knows of somewhere we could use we would be very grateful.

MEET THE GOVERNORS

A few months ago, our chair of governors, Heather, introduced herself in one of the school newsletters. This half term it's my turn to tell you a bit about me and what I do as a governor.

I'm Laura, mom to Rory in Year3 and Margot who will hopefully be joining Reception next September. I've been a governor for just over a year and really enjoy it. It's an opportunity to understand and support school and play a small part in making it the best place it can be for our children.



Each of the governors brings a slightly different perspective to the governing board and looks at different parts of how school runs. I am the chair of the Standards, Behaviour and Curriculum subcommittee, where we look at what children are learning, how things are taught and how we make sure they get the best out of their time at Woodhouse. I also look at safeguarding in school, which means I meet regularly with Mr Parslow and Mr Wilson to find out how school keeps children safe, secure and happy.

My absolute favourite part of being a governor is visiting school regularly and getting to see all of the different learning, events and activities taking place. I'm always blown away by how enthusiastic, curious and kind the children are when I speak to them.

Away from Woodhouse, I am an Alumni Relations Manager at the University of Birmingham, working on projects where graduates of the university volunteer their time and expertise to support current students. In my spare time, I love arts and music. You'll often find me crocheting, playing the piano (not very well) or the trombone (slightly better). I know how much enjoyment I get from opportunities to be creative and so I'm very supportive of the many chance our children get to experience art, music and other activities as part of their school life. I believe that those experiences are just as important as academic learning and it's great that Woodhouse supports that.

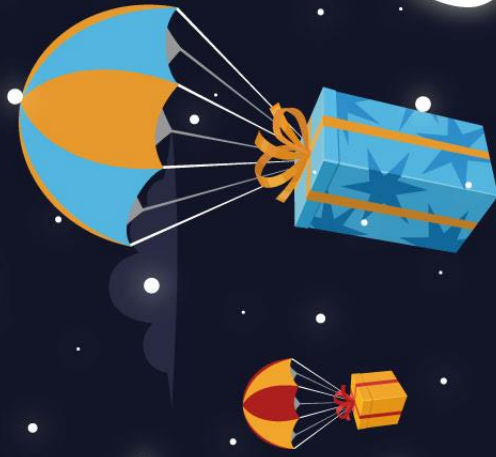
I hope that the information above gives you an idea of what I do, but if you'd like to know any more about the governing board, please come and say hello – I'm on the school run most days. You can also contact the chair of governors at lgbchair@woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk if you have any questions.

Wishing you all a great Christmas break and a happy new year.

Laura



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12 Smartphone Online Safety Tips

FOR CHILDREN WITH NEW DEVICES



The Christmas season has finally arrived and soon many of you will be opening your presents in the hope that Santa has listened to your request for the latest mobile phone or smart device.

Owning a mobile phone can be fun, but it's important to use it safely and responsibly. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that you set up your phone securely, keep your personal information private and enjoy using your phone in the healthiest way possible.

1

ALWAYS SECURE YOUR PHONE WITH A PASSWORD

This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your phone without your permission. Make sure your password is memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share it with your parents just in case you forget it.

2

DISABLE LOCATION SETTINGS

This can usually be done from the device's privacy control settings. Disabling location settings means that your phone can't be tracked by others and strangers can't tell where you are when you're using it. It also helps to save battery.

3

ALWAYS USE A SECURE WIFI NETWORK

When you use your WIFI at home usually it is a secure network that only you and your family know the password to. Public networks, like those in coffee shops, can be accessed by anyone which means that people could potentially hack into your device and access your personal information without you realising.

4

ONLY PAIR WITH BLUETOOTH DEVICES YOU KNOW

A Bluetooth connection with another device means that you can send and receive data wirelessly. For example, you could listen to music wirelessly or receive pictures and videos from your friends. However, pairing your phone with a device you don't know means that you could be sharing personal information with a stranger or could leave your device open to receiving viruses.

5

ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO USE

Before downloading any new apps, always check the age-rating of the app. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain things that aren't safe for you to see.

6

BEWARE OF BECOMING ADDICTED TO YOUR PHONE

Your phone can be fun to use and it's easy to become too attached, whether it's keeping in touch with friends, discovering new features or downloading the latest apps. Remember it's always good to talk in person, go out and have fun and get regular exercise. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just your mobile phone.

12

DON'T SHARE YOUR NUMBER OR YOUR DEVICE WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW.

Never feel pressured into sharing your phone number with people you don't know and don't lend your phone to strangers or keep it where others could get hold of it. Look after your device and always keep it hidden from sight to avoid it being stolen or broken into.

7

LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME

Using your phone for too long, particularly in the evenings, can make you feel tired at school, affect your concentration and make you lose interest in other things in life. Only use your phone at certain times of the day and don't use it close to bedtime. You can set a 'screen time limit' via the settings on your phone. This will help you stay fit and healthy and means that you will still be able to focus and perform well at school.

8

THINK OF OTHERS WHEN TAKING PHOTOS

Don't take embarrassing photos of other people on your phone. If other people get access to the photo and share it with more people, it could make that person really upset and treated as a form of bullying. Always be mindful of the photos you take using your camera and who you share them with.

9

MAKE SURE YOUR PARENTS SET UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS'

This means that you will be able to use your phone safely and securely and won't accidentally do things you shouldn't do. The best time to do this is when you get a new phone or device so that you're protected from the very beginning.

10

ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR PARENTS IF YOU DON'T FEEL SAFE

Sometimes, even though your phone is really secure, you might see something you don't like, or someone might contact you who you don't know. If this happens, always tell your trusted adult like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and advise you on what you should do next.

11

DON'T TEXT AND WALK

This might seem like a strange thing to say but it can be dangerous to stare at your mobile phone whilst walking outside alongside busy roads or bicycle paths. In some cases, children have been knocked over by cars or cyclists because they haven't been aware of their surroundings whilst texting or playing games on their mobile devices.