

NEWSLETTER



16th October 2020

How to get in touch



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07950368561 – Families mobile to call or text with any queries. Monitored by the Inclusion Team



families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

- Use this for any queries. Monitored by the Inclusion Team



sensupport@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

- Use this for any queries about any additional learning needs or concerns.



homelearning@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

<https://homelearning.woodhouse.academy>

- Use this for any queries about home learning and the website is there for any children self-isolating alongside our google classroom provision.

Important notice for parents of current Y6 children.

A reminder that the deadline for application of secondary places for September 2021 is 31st October. The letter we shared in the summer is here:

<https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/admin/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Sec%20Letter%20to%20Bham%20parents%202021.pdf>

Important notice for parents of current Nursery children.

There is a letter on the website regarding applying for a reception school place for September 2021. <https://www.woodhouse.priacademy.co.uk/news-and-events/school-letters>

Even if your child attends our Nursery you still need to apply for the place in Reception. Please read these carefully and seek assistance from the main office or Inclusion Team should you need it.

Dear parents/carers,

Thank you once again for your continued support to enable our school to be what it is. As we approach the end of our first half term of this academic year, I am grateful for the support you give to school. The current situation in Birmingham and Nationally is of course a concern, but it is great for us all to know that our school is thriving since the children all returned in September. I have been delighted with the amazing learning in school – I have seen so much wonderful work over the last fortnight. The teachers and support staff are working so hard to ensure that your children get the very best – I know you will join me in thanking them for their efforts and commitment.

We are settled into a familiar routine at the moment, and I am pleased that we have continued to have the same high focus on keeping everyone safe in school now as we did at the start of the term. It does us all no harm to have a few reminders though:

- Reading books come home on a Monday after school, and books return to school on a Friday only please. If you are ready to change books sooner, please just keep them at home until Friday. Thank you in advance.
- Parking and driving, especially on Woodhouse road remains a serious concern of mine. Please drive and park carefully, considerately and most of all **safely**. I am very concerned that at some stage there will be an accident where a child or adult is injured. If you must drive to school – and I would encourage you to walk wherever possible – please follow the rules of the road. After a series of complaints from schools' neighbours, I have been in touch with the police who will be offering support to help manage this soon. Please take care and think carefully about your actions – no one wants there to be an accident which could have been avoided. Thank you.
- I would encourage all adults to wear face coverings around the school site if they are able to. We all need to do our bit to limit adult-adult transmission of coronavirus.
- Remember to follow the guidance if anyone in your family feels unwell with coronavirus symptoms, booking a test as necessary. We do have a very limited number of tests which we can give to families if you are unable to access a test. Feel free to contact school if you are having difficulty.

After next week, we have our half term break – and I hope you can rest and recover as a family. Please remain vigilant and be careful with the risks you and your children take, as the effects of this can affect us all in school. A reminder that Monday 2nd November is an INSET day, so school is closed to all children. All children should return to school on Tuesday 3rd November following half term. In the first few weeks of November, we will be arranging phone calls to carry out our usual parents' evening conversations with each of you. More information will be shared after half term – but you will be able to select a convenient date and time to have these conversations.

As always, thank you for your contribution to the education of your child. Your encouragement and support are very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Oliver Wilson
Head Teacher
Woodhouse Primary Academy



The following children are Stars of the Week for the week ending 16th October.

Nursery

Aryan
Kareem

Reception

Sophie
Mason
Fatima
Stephen

Year One

Mathieu
Kyah
Freya
Anas

Year Two

Imaan
Osman
Thomas
Myrtle

Year Three

J'Zai
Yuvraj
Jawa
Mya

Year Four

Ava
Ahmed
Isabella
Levi

Year Five

Poppy
Liyana
Amaari
Trinity

Year Six

Taya
Dlaal
Neave
Toby
Kai
Elliot

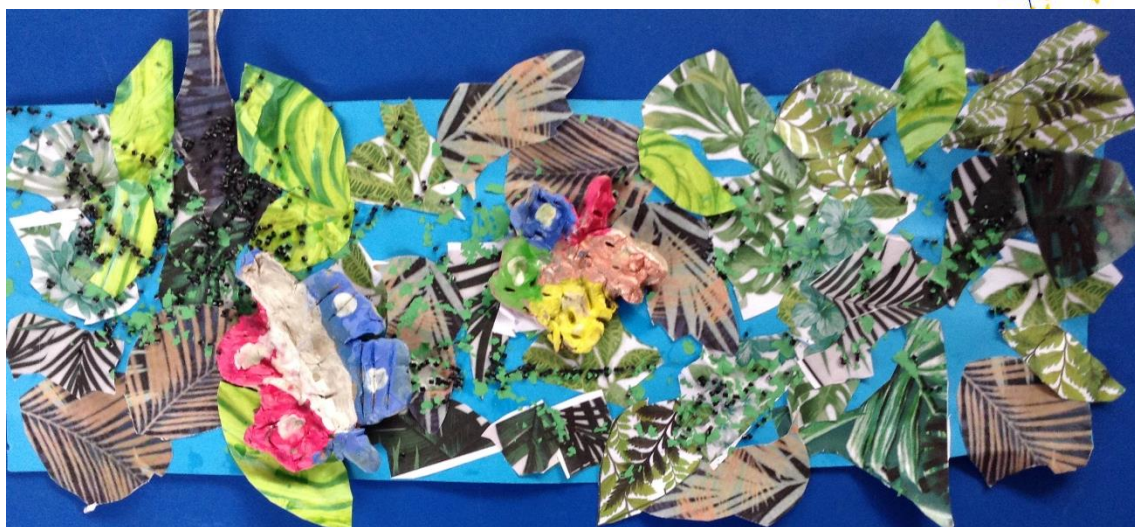
Rainbow Room

Alfie

Congratulations to all of these children who have put in a fantastic effort this week. They have been nominated by their teachers. We are really impressed with the level of learning from all children. What can you do to be Star of the Week next week?

Year One have made these wonderful mini beast collages in their Art lessons with Mrs Lewis. They have made and painted clay mini beasts and cut and stuck leaves and other things to create their habitat.

The ART Corner



Autumn Term 2020

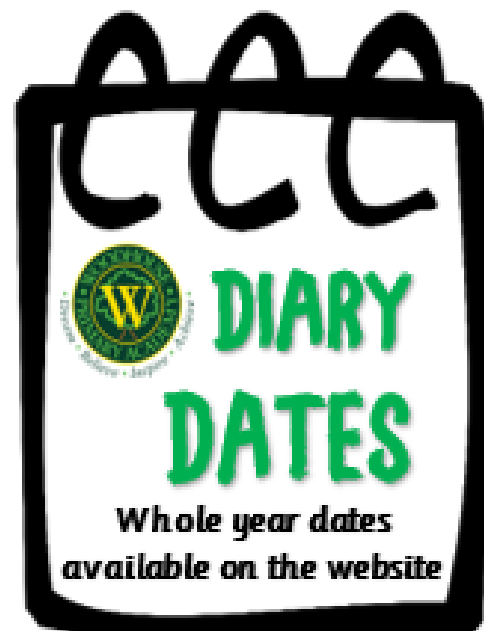
Friday 23rd October – Flu Vaccines for Reception to Year 6

Half Term: Monday 26th October 2020 to Friday 30th October 2020

Monday 2nd November – Inset day, school closed to children

Tuesday 3rd November – First day back at School.

Term Ends: Friday 18th December 2020



Spring Term 2021

Monday 4th January 2021 – Inset day, school closed to children

Tuesday 5th January 2021 – First day school open for children.

Half Term: Monday 15th February 2021 to Friday 19th February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1st April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19th April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

Wednesday 16th – Friday 18th June – Year 5 & 6 Bushcraft Residential

Tuesday 20th July – Last day of school year for children

Wednesday 21st July – Inset day, school closed to children

The Inclusion Team at Woodhouse



Miss Mason
SENCo
Assistant
Head



Mr Parslow
Deputy
Head
Behaviour
Lead



Mr Kennedy
Learning
Mentor



Mrs
Kennedy
Pastoral
Lead

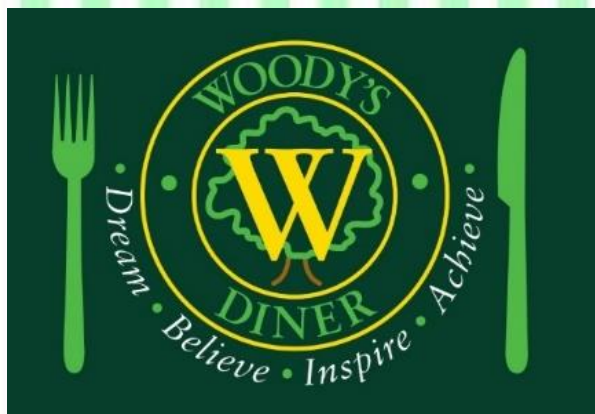
The Inclusion Team at Woodhouse work together with children and families to offer and provide support and opportunities to ensure that all have the chance to achieve and succeed. If you have anything you would like to discuss with a member of the team regarding your child or children's learning, behaviour, well-being or health then please come along to one of our upcoming surgery sessions, contact us on the email address above or book A phone or Zoom appointment through the main office. The most appropriate member of the team, depending on your query, will get in touch with you to discuss next steps.

We would like to remind families that if times are difficult or you are going through a tough time, you need only ask and we will do all we can. Of course, we are always here for your children, and we will do anything which we can do to help them to learn, succeed and become fine citizens. We are also there for our families and the wider school community. If we can help in any way: with food bank support, support with uniforms and clothing or with any other aspect of life, then please get in touch. If we cannot help directly, we can often sign post to the support needed and help you to access assistance. Please don't suffer in silence.

If you'd like to get in touch with the Inclusion Team you can call or text us on 07950368561 or email us at families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

If you'd like to get in touch with us regarding Special Educational Needs, you can do this by emailing us at sensupport@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

The Inclusion Team will also be on the front and rear gates at the start and end of the day and will be more than happy to talk.



School Dinner Menu

19th – 23rd October

NB: We are currently running a limited menu to meet the restrictions necessary to combat coronavirus.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Nuggets	Beef Burger in a Bun	Pork Hot Dog in a Bun	Fish Fingers	Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Vegetable Nuggets	Vegetable Burger in a Bun	Cheese and Onion Roll	Vegetable Sticks	
Hash Browns	Curly Fries	Herby Diced Potatoes	Mini Waffles	Chips
Fresh Vegetables or Salad	Fresh Vegetables or Salad	Fresh Vegetables or Salad	Fresh Vegetables or Salad	Fresh Vegetables or Salad
Iced Fruit Shortbread	Fruit	Raisins	Chocolate Iced Sponge	Fruit

Food Allergies

We have been updating our records in school and ensuring our dietary and allergy information is up to date.

Please inform your child's class teacher if your child has any allergies or specific dietary requirements. In most cases this will confirm what information we hold already.

If your child only eats Halal meats but can eat fish, please let the class teacher know. In some cases we only have them recorded as vegetarian.

Please either contact the class teacher via Dojo or email the Inclusion Team on families@woodhouse.uwmat.co.uk

Please also remember that we are a NUT FREE school.

Book some time to Read



It is important to find some time during the day to sit and read. Reading is good for your physical and mental health. It can reduce levels of stress and anxiety, improve brain connectivity, improve vocabulary and comprehension and is also just good fun.

The total word count on Accelerated Reader for school currently stands at 8,244,037 with A total of 878 quizzes been passed.

Asiyah 4SO has reached her 500,000 words milestone.

64 brag tags have been awarded so far and two 100% ribbons. A brag tag is awarded when a child passes 5 quizzes within their reading level and a 100% ribbon is awarded once they pass 10 quizzes at 100% within their reading level.

If you haven't already, pick up a book or logon to Myon and enjoy reading!

In their Art lesson this week, 6D set up a life drawing scene for the Pre Raphaelite painting Ophelia.



The children visited Pitts Wood to collect the scenery for their setting and to get inspiration for their drawings.

They then took their time to observe the image and draw their own interpretations.



FREE

Half Term Bikeability Sessions

Monday 26th- Friday 30th October 2020



If you've been inspired to try cycling during lockdown, why not sign up to our free, fun and safe Level 1 and Level 2 Bikeability sessions for adults and children?

(In accordance with local and national government restrictions.)

Location

Welsh House Farm MUGA

Selcroft Avenue, (behind surgery), B32 2DA

Time

Mon-Fri 10-12pm or 12.30-2.30pm

To book your place call 0121 728 7030 or email bikeability@theaws.org

There is no minimum age for level 1 and learn to ride. For level 2 courses your child must be able to ride a bike minimum age 8. Level 2 Courses are held over 2 days (you must attend both sessions). Bikes can be borrowed on the day but please do bring a helmet if you own one. If you have received a white wellbeing card please bring this to every session.



Lunchtime Supervisor Job Vacancy

Applications via WM jobs

Closing date Friday 30th October

Interviews week beginning Monday 2nd November – online process

POST: Lunchtime Supervisor
GRADE: Scale 2 – point 3 – 8
HOURS PER WEEK: 10 – Monday to Friday
RESPONSIBLE TO: Learning Mentor

At Woodhouse Primary Academy we strive to develop each individual child. We work together and challenge all of our children to achieve and reach their individual potential. This is what I do to develop our children and help them learn:

- Support and foster a positive environment centred around the children.
- Escorting the children to and from the classrooms or to the playgrounds.
- Washing hands before and after their meal.
- Toileting children.
- Encouraging good manners and eating habits.
- Assist with good table manners, use of cutlery, serving and cutting of food etc.
- Supervise the return of table equipment.
- Treat all children equally and build positive relationships with them.
- Clean up any spillages in the dining hall.
- Supervise safe play in the playground before and after the meal.
- Organise games and activities.
- Follow established procedures as outlined in the policy and schools code of conduct.
- Manage wet dinnertime procedures.
- Work as part of a team in order to best meet the needs of the children.
- Follow school policies.
- Any other responsibilities assigned by the Line Manager.
- Model good behaviour and social skills.
- Attend arranged training.
- Understand that at our school every learner counts.
- Adhere to the values of our school at all times.
- Support the individual needs of a pupil when requested.

Clerical Assistant Job Vacancy

Closing date Friday 30th October

Interviews week beginning Monday 2nd November – online process

POST: Clerical Assistant

GRADE: Grade 2: Point 3 – 8

HOURS PER WEEK: 32.5 term time only

8.30am to 3.30pm

(half an hour lunch break)

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- Under direction, produce typed documents and administering general clerical duties, routine correspondence and filing, telephone, reception and post duties.
- Greeting visitors to the academy, signing in and out, issuing security passes.
- Attend any relevant CPD.
- Word process academy documentation as appropriate.
- Use and development of ICT as required.
- Under direction carrying out first day calling and informing mentor as directed.
- CPD support.
- Under direction, maintain and input details on the electronic school diary.
- Dealing with emergencies that are reported to reception, i.e. contacting parents when a child is sick/injured.
- Inputting new children onto BROMCOM.
- Help maintain accurate pupil records on BROMCOM, producing reports where required.
- Inputting absent/late marks onto BROMCOM and checking dinner registers – liaising with kitchen staff.
- Clerical assistance for SLT.
- Correspondence with internal and external bodies using the email system.
- Under direction distribute the weekly newsletter.
- Facilitate systems of resources to staff.
- Clerical support for fundraising applications.
- Providing hospitality for visitors to the school.
- Such duties as may be appropriate to achieve the objectives of the post to assist the Academy in the fulfilment of its objectives commensurate with the post holder's grade, abilities and aptitudes.