

attendance MATTERS

1st – 5th October 2018

Yearly attendance is currently running at: **96.10%**

Last Week's attendance was: **96.96%**

Our Attendance target for this year is 97%

Class	Attendance for the week	Class	Attendance for the week
Nursery	93.86%	3A	98.67%
RO	95.47%	3N	99.33%
RW	95.96%	4W	96.54%
1L	98%	4F	97.86%
1R	96.33%	5W	98.33%
2M	100%	5S	96%
2WP	96.33%	6WO	96.50%
Rainbow	91.11%	6L	97%
		6D	95%

Congratulations to **2M** who had the best class attendance for last week. We had 64 lates last week across all year groups. These, no matter how small, are lost learning time.

Weekly Lates	NSY	RO	RW	1L	1R	2M	2WP	3A	3N	4W	4F	5W	5S	6WO	6L	6D
Before reg	2	5	3	1	0	3	4	15	4	6	3	6	4	1	2	2
After reg	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0



Lunch Menu for 15th – 19th October

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Nuggets With Herby Diced Potatoes	Sausage And Mashed Potatoes With Onion Gravy	Roast Turkey, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing With Gravy	Brunch Day Sausage or Vegetable Sausage With Hash Brown, Tomatoes, Baked Beans & Scrambled Egg	Pizza Day Meat Feast Or Margherita With Chips
Vegetable Samosa And Savory Rice And Raita Dip	Vegetable Curry With Rice And Naan Bread	Quorn Fillet, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing With Gravy	Selection of Sandwiches	Breaded Fish With Chips
Tomato And Basil Pasta				Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables
Sweetcorn Peas	Broccoli Carrots	Green Beans Cauliflower	Fresh Mixed Salad	Jacket Potato With A Selection Of Fillings
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Fruit Shortbread	Lemon Drizzle	Chocolate Crunch And Custard	Muffins	Ice Cream

Available Daily – Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Fruit Pots, Fruit Yoghurts, Cheese & Biscuits and Salad Bar

NEWSLETTER

Academic year 2018 – 2019 12th October 2018



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Dear parents and carers,

What a fantastic term we are having so far! Your children have been superb as they have settled into their new classes and are working hard to develop their learning. I look forward to you coming to parent's evening over the next two weeks to discuss the progress being made by your child so far this term. We have changed parents' evening to try to give all families more time with their child's teacher so that we can continue to build that strong relationship between school and home. If you have not yet been able to arrange an appointment, please see your child's teacher and arrange one. If that is not possible on those days, again please see your child's teacher and we will do everything we can to enable you to find out about the progress of your child. Thank you all for your support with this, it is very much appreciated.

During the early part of any new school year, as a school we set our objectives and targets for the academic year. There are of course many things we want to get better at but one of our big areas of focus this year will be on attendance. We need to improve our attendance at school. Education is crucial to the future life chances of a child, and we cannot afford for children to miss their learning. Not being in school means children may fall behind their peers educationally and socially. Missing lessons obviously has a knock on effect the knowledge and understanding children have and can impact on their attainment and progress. Please can you do everything in your power to ensure that every child is in school every day. Thank you as always for your help and support. If there is any support that school can offer you in this area – please just ask. As with all things regarding your child: we will do everything in our power to support you.

This week we have been welcoming prospective parents for new reception places for 2019 to school to tour the academy. I have been supported by some of our prefects and head boy and girl to share the wonderful work that goes on at Woodhouse. As we have gone around school, it has been fantastic for parents to see the superb education which is provided by our school. It was great to talk about the outstanding wider curriculum we offer in PE and the Arts, to show the hard working children all across the school and to describe the care and nurture that takes place at Woodhouse. We look forward to welcoming new families to join our school community in 2019.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend. Thank you for all that you do to work with and support our school. Together, working as a team, I know we can achieve success.

Yours Sincerely, Mr O Wilson – Head Teacher

Wednesday 17 Oct – Year 2 Parent Workshop
(9 – 10:15 OR 2 – 3:15) Details to follow
Thursday 18 Oct – Nursery Parent Workshop (9 – 10)
Thursday 18 Oct – Year 4 Parent Workshop (2 – 3:15)
Thursday 18 Oct – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6) Details to follow
Friday 19 Oct – Arts Assemblies (KS2: 9 – 9:30 & KS1: 2:45 – 3:15)
Friday 19 Oct – Year 3 Parent Workshop (2 – 3:15)
Tuesday 23 Oct – Parents Evening (3:30 – 6) Details to follow (Not 1L)



Wednesday 24 Oct – Year 6 Parents Meeting (2:30 – 3:15)
Wednesday 24 Oct – 1L Parents Evening (3:30 – 6)
Wednesday 24 Oct – KS2 Halloween Disco (4 – 5)
Friday 26 Oct – Harvest Assemblies (KS2: 9 – 9:30 & EYFS/KS1: 2:45 – 3:15)
Friday 26 Oct – Last day of half term

Monday 29 Oct – Friday 2 Nov – Autumn Half Term Break

Monday 5th Nov – First day of half term
Thursday 8 Nov – Year 1 Parent Workshop (2 – 3:15)
Tuesday 13 Nov – Influenza Vaccinations for Reception – Year 5 (Please return any confirmation letters to the main office)
Wednesday 14 Nov – 2M Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents invited
Thursday 15 Nov – 5S Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents invited
Wednesday 21 – Wednesday 28 Nov – Book Fayre in the Hall (details to follow)
Thursday 29 Nov – 6L Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents invited
Thursday 29 Nov – Year 5 Parent Workshop (2 – 3:15)
Tuesday 4 Dec – Nursery Nativity in the Hall (9 – 9:30)
Wednesday 5 Dec – Christmas Fayre (Food in the canteen from 3:30 – 4:30, Fayre starts at 4:30 – 6)

More details to follow

Thursday 6 Dec – 6D Class Assembly (9 – 9:30) Parents invited
Tuesday 11 Dec – Reception Nativity (9:15 – 9:45 & 2 – 2:30)
Wednesday 12 Dec – Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 13 Dec – Nursery & Reception Visit to Severn Valley
Friday 14 Dec – Christmas Jumper Day (Bring £1 donation for Save the Children charity)
Friday 14 Dec – Arts Assemblies (KS2: 9 – 9:30 & KS1: 2:45 – 3:15)
Tuesday 18 Dec – KS1 Nativity (9:15 – 9:45 & 2:30 – 3)
Thursday 20 Dec – KS2 Carol Concert at St Faith & St Laurence Church (10 – 10:30)
Friday 21st Dec – Last day of half term

Monday 24 Dec – Friday 4 Jan – Christmas Holiday

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th Jan – Staff Training Day (School Closed to Children)
Tuesday 8th Jan – First day back for children
Friday 11 Jan – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Theatre Visit – The Tiger Who Came to Tea (Limited tickets still available, visit the main office to secure a ticket. Tickets are £12.50)
Thursday 17 Jan – Young Voices at the Resorts World Arena (LG) (12 – 8)
Wednesday 13 Feb – EYFS & KS1 Pirate & Princess Disco (4 – 5)
Friday 15 Feb – Arts Assemblies (KS2: 9 – 9:30 & KS1: 2:45 – 3:15)

Joke of the Week

What did the duck say when she bought lipstick?

Answer below

Community News

On October 14th St Faith & St Lawrence Church will be celebrating Harvest.

All are invited to go along and join them in church to celebrate Harvest and give thanks to God.

Donations are invited of goods to the local foodbank. Don't worry if you can't donate we'd love to see you anyway.

They are particularly looking for the following things.

What do we need? Meat, fish, tinned fruit and vegetables, fruit juice, long grain rice, pasta, cereals, tea and coffee, rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, biscuits, jam, sauces, milk.

No baked beans, soup or tinned peas are needed at present as we have plenty in stock.

Do come along and join us in the thanksgiving fun.

Joke of the Week Answer

Put it on my bill

Stars of the Week

The following children were Star of the Week for the week ending 12th October
 There were plenty of KS2 Stars of the week but no assembly due to photos in the hall. KS2 Stars of the week will be awarded in next week's assembly.

Reception

Senaya
 Yara
 Thomas
 Annika

Year One

Ruby
 Hussain
 Nabiha
 Adam B

Year Two

Mylee
 Cade
 Ava
 Lily

Year Three

Adele
 Hashim
 Harriet
 Daniel

Year Four

Casey
 Michael
 Dylan
 Terrel

Year Five

Ethan D
 Karle
 Neyco
 Riha

Year Six

Cherise
 Elliot
 Lucy-Rose
 Jaiden
 Sanojan
 Cerys

Special Mentions & Extra Curricular Awards

Rachel – Kingfisher Level 1 Swimming Award
 Amaari – Football Camp World Cup Winners Medal
 Zoe – Street Dance Level 6 & 7 Rosettes
 Gracie & Cerys – UoWMAT Special Award for the report they wrote for the WPA Good News

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.



From top to bottom:
 Arnika, Yushra & Riha



Year 5 have made these atmospheric woodland scenes in their art lessons. To begin with the children went to Pitts Wood to sketch trees, concentrating on branch shapes and textures. Final pieces were created using paints and pastels and then applying collage items for effect.

The
 AR Corner

National Poetry Day

Last week we celebrated National Poetry Day with a wide range of activities across school. Children and staff alike were immersed in poetry throughout the day and have had a go at writing their own poems, as individuals and as a class as a whole.

The following poem was written by the children in 5W about their teacher:

A Day in the life of Miss Wynne

The sun does arise and make merry the skies
But at our school, arrives a teacher who cries
'O I do despair, there is too much to prepare!'
It's so unbelievably early, 'I haven't brushed my hair'

So there she sits in the dark
Frantically trying to mark
Before we arrive and try to come in
And even raid her biscuit tin

She spends all day trying to make us study
But secretly we try to chat to our buddy
When we get caught there is no escape
We all imagine her wrapped up in tape
At breaktime we hear her chat with her friends
But for all we know she is plotting revenge
She comes back in and makes us do maths
But frankly we'd all prefer a relaxing bath
By the afternoon, everything is boring
And often a few of us are snoring
Until we hear her shriek and scream
And we are disturbed from our lovely dream

At the end of the day, our teacher looks dreary
And often she becomes quite teary.
She sends us off to get our coats
But we know she is dreaming of a beach filled with boats
Where she can escape and run away
but unlucky for her, tomorrow's a new day.
Then we all leave to go home to sleep
And I bet in the darkness she sits and weeps
But even though she is a horrible creature
Deep down inside we love our teacher.



Thank you to everyone who attended our coffee morning on Thursday 11th. It was a very productive session and we now have lots of ideas to run with this year.

We discussed plans for the Christmas Fayre and a number of parents have volunteered to help out with various aspects from setting up to running a stall.

We have had some feedback about parent workshops, such as phonics, and will be looking at how we disperse any information from these as well as how and when they are run.

A number of parents are interested in setting up a book club, where a book will be chosen, read and then discussed together.

A few parents have also volunteered to run workshops for parents. The three topics we have, which we are planning as we speak, are a Thai Food workshop, Cupcake decorating and Children's Hairstyles.

If you are interested in any of the above, or have any ideas for how we can further develop our parent links, then please get in touch via email or simply ask for either Mr Kennedy or Miss Mason at the main office. Once we have an idea of numbers for the workshops we can confirm a date and time.

We are aware that some parents are unable to attend anything during the day or in the mornings and we very much value your input so please get in touch.

The next coffee morning will be confirmed in due course.