



Woodlands Primary School & Nursery

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4th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have had a good weekend and are enjoying the build up to Christmas. It has certainly been really cold the last few days.

Please find our latest news and updates below.

Mrs Dean and Team Woodlands

Lunchboxes and Water Bottles

We have accumulated a collection of water bottles and lunch boxes - do you recognise any?



Starting the School Day on Time with Banded Reading

It is lovely to see so many families in the morning bringing their children on time for school. Gates open at 8.35am and the doors are opened on the bell at 8.40am.

Gates are closed at 8.50am and children arriving after this time enter via the office. This is not the best start to the day. It is a very busy environment and often adults are having to be pulled away from supporting children in classes to support.



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End of School Day Reminder

Please can we also remind all parents that the school day finishes at 3.00pm for Reception, 3.10pm for Years 1 to 6 and 3.20pm for Nursery. We are noticing an increasing number of parents requesting to take children early. This means children are missing out on learning, ending the school day with their friends and leaving via the main office which is a very busy area.

Year Group	Start of school day	End of school day
Nursery	Morning session: 8.40am -11.40am 11.40am -12.20pm (lunch)	Afternoon session: 12.20pm - 3.20pm
Reception	8.50am	3.00pm
Years 1 to 6	8.40am	3.10pm

Christmas Performances

Please see times for our Christmas performances:

Monday 11th December - EYFS Nativity 1.45pm
Tuesday 12th December - EYFS Nativity 9.30am
Tuesday 12th December - KS1 Nativity 2.00pm
Wednesday 13th December - KS1 Nativity 9.30am
Wednesday 13th December - Y3/4 Nativity 2.00pm
Thursday 14th December - Y3/4 Nativity 9.30am
Thursday 14th December - Y5/6 Christmas songs 2.15pm
Friday 15th December - Y5/6 Christmas songs 9.15am



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Please note that it will be one person per family per performance. There will be signing in sheets upon arrival. If there is more than one family member they will be asked to wait at the end and we will see if there is any available space.

We are asking that every family attending the performance bring an item to start our own Woodlands food bank resource - such as tinned/dried foods, toiletries, cat & dog food etc.

Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday This Week!

The children are invited to accessorise their uniform with something Christmas themed for Christmas dinner Day on Wednesday 6th December.



Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 8th December for Save the Children

The children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform on Friday as opposed to their normal school jumper. It is not a non-school uniform day. Donations can be made via the following link:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/woodlands-primary-and-nursery-1701697544935?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fwoodlands-primary-and-nursery-1701697544935&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share



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Term 2 Key Dates

Tuesday 5th December - Year 5 Christmas singing event

Wednesday 6th December - Christmas lunch

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 8th December - After school: PTA Winterfest

Friday 15th December - Last day of term (normal finish)

Term 3 Key Dates

Tuesday 2nd January 2024 - INSET Day closed to children

Wednesday 3rd January - First Day of Term 3

Wednesday 24th January – Y2 SS Great Britain Trip

Term 3 Crossing Patrol - Reminder

Please see new duty times for the school crossing patrol which will be implemented from Term 3. Please can we encourage all pupils and parents where possible to use our patrol, a service which only a very small number of our schools are lucky enough to have.

AM 8.25 – 9.00am

PM 3.05 – 3.30pm

INSET & Term Dates

2023/2024		
Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Friday 1 September 2023	Friday 20 October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 October 2023	Friday 15 December 2023
Term 3	Tuesday 2 January 2024	Friday 9 February 2024
Term 4	Monday 19 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
Term 6	Monday 3 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024

Tuesday 2nd January - Inset Day

Monday 4th March - Inset Day

Friday 24th May - Inset Day

Tuesday 23rd July - Inset Day