

# Woodlands Primary School Newsletter



4th October 2019

## Welcome

Dear Parents/Carers

Last week we had a very positive turn out for our open event. It was lovely to meet new families as well as familiar ones! Parents were very complimentary about the children. They were impressed by their behaviour for learning, the positive atmosphere in the school and the staff's enthusiasm. I would like to say a big thank you to you all for your continued positive comments about Woodlands. Our staff are passionate about developing a strong school that the Community deserves and we are aiming to be 'Outstanding in all'. We have more tours of the school planned for November so please like and share to spread the word about Woodlands!

Wednesday 13th November, 1.00pm  
Thursday 14th November, 9.30am  
Wednesday 27th November, 1.00pm  
Thursday 28th November, 9.30am

Please call 01454 866535  
[admin@woodlandsprimaryyate.co.uk](mailto:admin@woodlandsprimaryyate.co.uk)

Have a good weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Rachel Dean  
Acting Headteacher

### A positive start to the day

At Woodlands, we are very keen for all children to have the best start to the school day. We have put in place a number of actions to support this. On each entry point there is a key familiar member of staff who will greet your child into school. They will also have a note book that they can take a message and deliver it straight to the class teacher once the doors are closed. This is

## Calendar Dates

Monday 21st October—Y1 Phonics Meeting at 3.00pm

Tuesday 22nd October—Harvest Assembly: 9.15am KS2, 2.15pm KS1

Wednesday 23rd October—Y2 Phonics Meeting @ 3.00pm

Thursday 24th October—PTA Halloween Discos—KS1 (3.15-4.00pm) & KS2 (4.15-5.00pm).

Thursday 24th October—Last Day of Term

Friday 25th October—Inset Day

the quickest way of getting a message to your child's teacher.

Mrs Tunnacliffe, Mr Charles and I or other senior staff are on the main gate as well. We will also have a message book and will pass these on if you miss the key person on the entry doors.

*Reception - Y2 start of the day is 8.50am and doors close at 9.00am  
Y3 - Y6 start of the day is 8.40am and doors close at 8.50am  
Registers close at 9.00am*

Please make sure your child arrives at school during this time. This will help your child have the best transition into school. They will be able to see their friends, be greeted by the teacher and have the best chance of academic success as key learning for phonics and reading are first thing in the morning.

If children come in through the office this is a very busy environment, particularly first thing in the morning and at the end of the school day. This does not provide the best way of your child getting into school. The office staff are very busy ensuring registers are completed which is a legal requirement..

At the end of the day, particularly when it is wet, please step forward when you see that your child is next in line. Please be patient with us, we will always ask for passwords if we do not know a parent by sight.

## PTA News

Thanks to all who took part in the Smarties Challenge over the summer holidays. Well done to all the children on their hard work to raise the funds. The winning class is Poplar!

We have had a donation of £37.04 from the Cross Hands at Old Sodbury from their "Jar on a Bar" collection over the summer, this will go towards our fundraising targets.

The car boot sale is on Saturday 19th October, 10.00—12.00pm. Pitches cost £5.00 to be paid on arrival, or just come and browse.

With Christmas fast approaching, we are again hoping to get some donations for the Christmas Fayre raffle. If you could donate a prize, or know someone who could, please contact the PTA. All donations are gratefully received.

Also, anyone who has any Aldi Stickers for School, please can you bring them in to the office. Hopefully we can fill our poster and be in with a chance to win big!

## Inset Days

Friday 25th October 2019

Monday 6th January 2020

***Monday 20th April 2020 - (this is an extra day recently added and not in our original key dates calendar)***

Monday 20th July 2020

For more information regarding Woodlands Primary School, please visit the following:

Website: [www.woodlandsprimaryyate.co.uk](http://www.woodlandsprimaryyate.co.uk)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WoodlandsPrimaryYate/>

Twitter: @WoodlandsYate

## Social Media Highlights



Woodlands Primary & Nursery Yate  
43 mins · 🌐

EYFS and Key Stage 1 thoroughly enjoyed a live stream of the new Thomas The Tank Engine book today. They learnt all about railway safety. Please ask them about it.



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22 Tweets

13 Following 52 Followers

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We encourage all our children to take part in all kinds of activities outside of school, so that they can develop new interests, learn new skills and enjoy new experiences.  
28 have signed up so far to Children's University



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