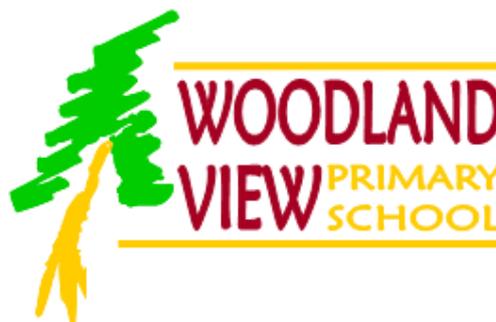


Tuesday 5th October 2021

Headteacher Newsletter No.382



Dear Parents

Covid Updates

We have had a number of positive cases in pupils and staff since the start of term. Regular handwashing, cleaning and ventilation will continue to be in place (so please ensure your child has warm clothing as the weather gets colder).

Do not send your child to school if they have a temperature, cough or loss of taste/smell. Please see guide sheet in the Ping on 21st September (repeated below). If your child is isolating due to being Covid positive, their class teacher will set them work via Google Classroom.

Trips

We are now organising trips again. Year 6 went to Stratford-Upon-Avon recently to see The Comedy of Errors performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company. Year 4 have a trip planned in November to Woburn Safari Park. Covid issues are taken into account in planning for all trips this year.

Year Group Guides

We have distributed paper copies of the Year Group Guides for each year group, and they also appear on the website under Class Pages.



Performances

Each year group will create a virtual performance at one point during the year as we are still not having audiences back in school yet. We will let you know when your child's year group performance is published.

Homework

The children have taken really well to Google Classroom again this term. They have put in fantastic effort with their homework! Thank you parents for your support with this at home. Also, we have been very impressed with the way that children who have had to isolate have continued with their learning at home through the tasks set on Google Classroom. A big well done to those children - you have made your teachers very proud!

Reading Records and Logs

We hope that the new Autumn Reading Records and Logs have been successful at home. Remember to also refer to the other useful information in there too, such as the word lists, recommended book reads and times tables.

Blogs

Remember to check out the Class Blogs each week as it will give you an insight into what the children have been doing in school. Also, Mr Johnson's IT Team have enjoyed selecting the Blog of the Week which gets displayed in school. This photo is from last week's winning blog.



School Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will be taken next week within the normal school day (see dates below). Make sure your child is looking gorgeous! We are not able to do photographs with pre-school siblings this year.

Lost Property

We have already gained a large amount of lost property in school. We can return named items to children in school but we have many unnamed items piling up. We will be putting these outside on a table along the one-way system soon. Please take any items you believe to be yours.

Parents' Evenings

We are intending to hold face to face Parents' Evenings in the week beginning 15th November. These will be

- Monday 15th November 3.30-6.30pm
- Thursday 18th November 5.30-8.30pm

Booking arrangements and protocols/organisation will follow shortly.

Bikes & Scooters

Your child is welcome to ride their bike/scooter to school.

Y1-4: Bike racks are positioned inside the first gate on the one-way system. For children in Y1-Y4 parents should collect their child's bike/scooter on the way to collecting their child at pick-up time.

FS: One bike rack is available next to the FS entry door.

Y5/6: Bike racks are outside the library door.



All bikes/scooters must be dismounted before entering the school site and walked around the one-way system.

Fundraising



Our pupils' Fundraising Group will be making decisions shortly about what fundraising activities they are going to lead this year. We will keep you informed but they are likely to include fundraising for the children we support in Penyem (a village in the Gambia), the Royal British Legion for Remembrance Day, Children in Need, etc.



We will also be reviving our FairTrade Co-operative, where pupils buy shares in the co-operative with their own pocket money and then promote and sell FairTrade products to the community.

Starting School

If your child is due to start school next September, or you know any family this applies to, please contact the office with details so they can ensure you receive the appropriate paperwork at the right time.



Governor Vacancy

We have two vacancies for new Parent Governors to join the Governing Body.

The Governing Body of Woodland View Primary School Academy Trust is responsible for management of the school budget, school effectiveness and involvement in a variety of premises, personnel and pupil issues. You will be supported in these duties by other experienced members of the Governing Body, the headteacher and the clerk to the governors. This is a strategic role with the purpose of supporting the long term success of the Academy Trust.



The Governing Body meets approximately seven times per year. You will need to attend most meetings every year, plus occasional other committee meetings during the term. Most meetings are held in the evenings but you should be available for at least one day in school annually. Please contact me if you want to discuss the role further.

Parents from ethnic minorities and with disabilities are generally under represented on school governing bodies in the county. The school would like to encourage nominations from under-represented groups in our community.

All school governor appointments will be subject to security clearance.

Anyone who has parental responsibility for a pupil on the school roll at the time of the election can stand for election and can vote in the election. Once you are satisfied that you are eligible to become a Governor, please complete the nomination form and declaration. You should include details about yourself and why you would like to become a Governor (not exceeding 120 words). This will then be circulated to all parents to help them decide who to vote for.

Your nomination and signed declaration (attached separately) should be sent in to the school office by 9.00am on Tuesday 19th October. Thank you.

Key Dates

Tuesday 12 October
Wed 13 & Thurs 14 October
Tuesday 19 October

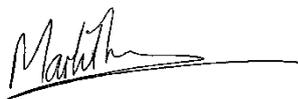
Friday 22 October

Monday 1 November
Tuesday 2 November
Thursday 4 November
Friday 12 November

Monday 15 November
Thursday 15 November
Sunday 28 November
Friday 17 December
Tuesday 4 January
Wednesday 5 January

FOWV AGM 7.30pm Zoom
Photograph Days
Flu Nasal Spray Vaccinations
(permission forms to follow)
FOWV Cake Sale
Close for half term 3.15pm
Teacher Training Day
School re-opens
Y4 Trip Woburn Safari Park
Our own Mrs Williams-Morris performs in the
Northampton Strictly event
Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30pm
Parents' Evening 5.30-8.30pm
Y5/6 Strictly Dancing event
Close for Christmas 3.15pm
Teacher Training Day
School re-opens

Yours sincerely



Mark Thomas
Headteacher

COVID-19 Update

Five cases in one cluster (e.g. a year group) is the threshold for us to contact Public Health and consider instigating contingency options. We will inform parents where numbers are approaching this threshold so that families can choose to do a lateral flow test (LFT) to further help identify any asymptomatic cases and therefore help reduce transmission.

We continue to follow government and NHS guidance.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

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