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Happy New Year

2016 promises to be an exciting one for Woodmancote School, with the building of two new classrooms, an activities room, additional Key Stage 2 toilets, as well as the creation of a bigger staffroom and office area. The car park area will be made bigger and there will be a dedicated pedestrian entrance via Station Road.

Further details can be found later in this newsletter.

Mr DeGruchy-Update

Mr DeGruchy will now be full time at Holy Trinity School from now until at least February Half term. As I outlined in the last newsletter, Mrs Badham will be acting Deputy, with Mr Hoyle as acting Head of Infants.

Clubs

Many of the clubs will stay as they are this term. Hockey, Netball, Cross Country, Year 5 Art club and Girl's Football will be available for existing club members.

The Year 1 Story/Art Club will be available to existing club members, with those who attended in Term 2 continuing into Term 3, whilst those who attended in Term 1, will be able to come in Term 4.

Year 3 Art Club (Wed lunchtime) Mrs Greening

This is open to any Year 3 children and parents will need to email Mrs Greening to request a place for this term regardless of whether they attended last term.

agreening@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

There are spaces at the following clubs. If you would like your child to attend, please email the member of staff directly to request a place

Science (Tues lunchtime)-Mrs Holding

lholding@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Boys Football (Wed after school)-Mr Carter

ncarter@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Voices (Wed after school until 4pm)-Helen Wright. There is always room for a few more at this Singing Group. Please email the office if you would like your child to attend.

office@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Performing Arts (Wed after school until 4.15) Miss Perkins. Please note the new day of the week. This is for existing club members, but there are a few spaces, so if your child is interested, please email Miss Perkins

sp Perkins@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

History Club (Tues after school until 4.15) Mrs Howard

This is a new club and is open to anyone in Key Stage 2. The focus will be on The Tudors. If your child is interested in this, please email Mrs Howard.

nhoward@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Andy Tucker Football

You would have already received an email about this. If you have not, the letter is attached.

Chess Club will not be running this term.



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Help needed!

Are you handy with your hands and can you spare a few hours? If you can, please contact Mr Tucker as soon as possible as we have some old, broken wooden equipment that needs breaking down for firewood for the Forest School area!

Class DoJo

We would like to clarify that this facility should not be used for informing the school about absences, etc, but should simply be used for communication around behaviour. Thank you for your cooperation. If you know nothing about Dojo it is because your child's class is not involved in the trial!

Absences can be reported on-line via the school website:

<http://woodmancoteschool.co.uk/for-parents/absentee-form/>

Class Assemblies

20th January Maple

27th January Oak

3rd February Beech

24th February Cedar

2nd March Ash

Young Voices

Our Year 5 and Year 6 children will be travelling to Birmingham on Monday 11th January to participate in Young Voices, a national singing event with schools from across the country. We are confident that they will have a fantastic day as will those parents who are travelling up for the performance.

As the children will be back late, please feel free to let the children sleep in on the Tuesday if they need to! This goes for any siblings who may also be going to the event.

We expect all children, who attended Young Voices, to be in by 10.15am on the Tuesday.

If you have any questions, please contact either Mr Williams or Mrs Badham

mwilliams@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk
sbadham@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Building Work

Work that was scheduled to begin at the end of January will now start in February half term. This is to allow the setting up of the site to happen during the holidays when children are not on site. This now means that the Station Road entrance to school will remain open for the whole of Term 3 and the car park will continue to be in operation until Friday 12th February.

When children return to school after the holiday on Tuesday 23rd February the car park will not be in use for parents dropping off and picking up from Woodpeckers. There will be limited parking for those parents displaying a current Disabled Parking Badge and for visitors to the school.

All staff will need to park off site. Bearing in mind how busy drop off and pick up times can be we are looking for offers of parking spaces for staff so that they do not need to park along Britannia Way.

If you feel you could offer a parking space, please email Mrs Meredith as soon as possible. We will allocate a specific member of staff to the space.

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Music

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Dates for this term

11 th January	Years 5 and 6 to Young Voices
14 th January	Year 2 Great Fire of London Day
9 th February	PTA Sponsored Pancake Toss
12 th February	Knights and Princesses Dressing Up Day for Reception children
12 th February	Last day of Term 3
22 nd February	Staff INSET Day
23 rd February	Children return to school
23 rd February	Parent Consultation Evening 3.30-6.30pm
25 th February	Parent Consultation Evening 4.30-7pm
29 th February	Reception Sight and Hearing tests
1 st March	
3 rd March	Feet First Dance Festival Year 1 and Year 3
3 rd March	Cross Country at Cheltenham College
4 th March	Girl's Football Tournament
10 th March	Cross Country at St Edward's School
18 th March	Japanese Student Visit
24 th March	Last Day of Term