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Young Voices

Thank you for all the positive comments we have received regarding Young Voices at Birmingham. The children undoubtedly had a fantastic time despite it being quite a long day. An enormous thank you must go to Mr Williams and Mrs Badham for organizing our involvement.

House Captains

Well done to all those children who were recently elected House Captains. We have a superb Year 6 this year and I know that they will certainly be leading by example in the upcoming House Events

Cleeve

Captains: James Colwill, Jessica Joyner

Vice Captains: Archie Perry, Eliza Cresswell

Nottingham

Captains: Jack Hancock, Rosie Davies

Vice Captains: Adam Davis, Emilia Jefferies

Leckhampton

Captains: Zac Williams, Isabella Steele

Vice Captains: Ben Hadfield, Maisie Cummings

Malvern

Captain: Henry Medhurst, Martha Davis

Vice Captains: Willem Ward, Rachel Lockart

PE Kit

We like to take the children out even on cold days, so children do need a sweatshirt and tracksuit trousers/leggings on PE days. Thank you.

Sandford Park Lido Triathlon September 2016

This triathlon has become a bit of an event in the Woodmancote School calendar and this year is no different. However, in 2016 there will be staff and parents mixed teams. Each team will be composed of 'like ability' so if you are thinking of doing a triathlon for the very first time, are an old pro or someone in between, there will be a team for you! Some parents and staff take it very, but others just enjoy the challenge of doing something a bit different and finishing in one piece! I think I fall into the latter!

If you are interested, please speak to either Mrs McCormack or Pete Smith.

pete@petetheblue.com

Parent View

We are always interested in how we are doing. If you would like to support us as a school, please go to Parent View and answer a few simple questions. We would like to think that if you have an issue at school that you feel welcomed enough to pop into school to discuss it with a member of staff. However from time to time you may feel that we are doing something particularly well and would like us to know about it. Parent View allows you to do this, whilst also giving us important feedback on a range of school related issues.



<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

As we anticipate an inspection in the coming months, it would be useful for us to hear from parents, so please take time to log on and give us feedback.



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Surplus to requirements

We have several old PE mats and even an old crash mat that we are looking to recycle. If you would like one of these, please contact the office. There is no charge, just a donation to the school of £5.

Behaviour Policy

We are in the process of updating our Behaviour Policy and are looking for up to 4 parents who would like to have an input into this. If you have time to meet with members of the Senior Leadership Team, to read drafts and contribute to the discussions that we have, we would like to hear from you. Please email Mr Tucker at head@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Emergency Contacts

Please ensure we have up to date contact details in the office. Could we also ask that Emergency contacts be available all of the time and that you check your messages regularly. We have had several instances recently when it has taken a significant amount of time to contact parents as phones have been turned off or the numbers simply unobtainable. In the event of a very serious situation it is vitally important that we are able to contact you immediately. Thank you.

Scooters

It is wonderful to see so many children scooting to school, but could parents please ensure that scooters are labeled with the child's name. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

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

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

Calendar dates 2016-2017

These are now on the school website for the coming 2016-17 academic year.

Class Assemblies

27th January Oak

3rd February Beech

24th February Cedar

2nd March Ash

Parents are very welcome to come along to watch their children in their class assembly. We aim to start at 8.55am.

Parent Consultations

These will be held in the week after the half term holiday. We are investigating using an online booking system, but I will keep you informed of this in the coming days. We hope that this will be of interest to the overwhelming majority of you, saving you the termly scramble for the booking sheets!

Wellington Boots



If you have any spare Wellingtons (sizes 8-12) we would love to have them!

Football

This is once again causing friction on the playground at lunchtimes, particularly between Year 3 and 4 boys. Year 4 boys have already been warned that unless they stop squabbling over playing, it will be banned. Can we please ask parents to reinforce this message at home? Unfortunately too many of the country's professional players behave in a totally inappropriate way, so it is no wonder that the boys copy them!

Feet First Dance Festival (Years 1 and 3)

We are awaiting further details about this event. We will be able to give you more information at the end of January.



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Dates for this term

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 1 st March	Reception Sight and Hearing tests
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