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Newsletter

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7th September 2018.

Welcome back to the new academic year. We hope that your children have got off to a good start and are suitably settled into their new classrooms.

Summer Reading Challenge

If your child participated in the Summer Reading Challenge through the local library, please encourage them to bring their certificate in so that they can be awarded a house point.

Year 6 Camp out

The now traditional Year 6 Camp out was once again a great success and despite the weather turning drizzly on Thursday afternoon and very chilly during the night, the children had a great time. We are confident that they will sleep very well on Friday night! The staff who stayed at school certainly will!

A big thank you to all those staff who helped during the evening, but especially those who slept at school.

Information Evening for Year 6 Parents

Parents will have the opportunity to meet and listen to the Headteachers from Winchcombe and Cleeve on 12th September. The evening will start at 6pm with the Headteacher from Winchcombe, followed by the Headteacher from Cleeve. We hope that parents will come along. I would urge parents to come along at 6pm in order to hear both Headteachers.

Open Day sessions for prospective parents

If you have a child who will be starting in Autumn 2019, please feel free to come along to one of our Open sessions on either Tuesday 25th September at 9.30am or Thursday 27th September at 1.45pm.

School Meals Payment

Woodmancote School has a strict NO DEBT policy relating to the school meal service.

If debts are incurred, then the school budget has to pay for them. This means that money which should be spent on the children's education is used to pay for debts incurred by parents.

Children will not be provided with a school lunch unless it is paid for, except those that are entitled to free school meals. If a parent genuinely forgets to pay in advance, the school may grant a debt allowance of 1 meal. However this debt must be paid next day and future meals must be paid in advance before any meal is provided.

If the debt is not cleared, parents must either provide a packed lunch or take the child home for lunch. In a case when a debt payment is not received nor a packed lunch provided, the head teacher/school office will phone the parent to ask them to come to school with the money or ask them to pay online immediately. Otherwise they must provide sandwiches before lunch time or arrange to take their child home for lunch.

Payments to School

Please note that we are no longer able to accept cash or cheque payments at the school. All payments for lunches, trips and Woodpeckers will need to be made using Parentpay. All children are set up on Parentpay (Reception children will receive log-in details during the next week), and most parents will already be using this service, but if you require a password reset, or assistance with getting set up on Parentpay, please contact the school office office@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk



Dogs on site

Dogs are not permitted on the school site, unless they are a Guide dog or Therapy dog. Please refrain from bringing any into school. Thank you.

Cricket Kit

We have several items of cricket equipment that we and the local cricket clubs do not need. We would like to donate it to an organisation that will send it overseas, but the collection point is in Bristol. If you work in Bristol and feel that you could help with dropping it off, please contact Mr Ridal as soon as possible. Thank you

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Diary Dates

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| 12th September | Cleeve and Winchcombe Schools information evening for Yr 6 Parents 6pm onwards. The Headteachers from both schools will be in attendance |
| 25th September | New Reception Information Evening 6.15-7.15 |
| 25th September | PTA AGM 7.30-8.30pm |
| 25th September | Open Day session for prospective parents 9.30-10.30 |
| 27th September | Open Day session for prospective parents 1.45-2.45pm |
| 4th October | Zoolab in to visit Year 1 and Year 5 |
| 11th October | Photographs-Individuals and Siblings |
| 12th October | Giles Terera, West End star of Hamilton, visiting the school |
| 16th October | Parent Consultation Evenings 4.30-7.30 |
| 18th October | Parent Consultation Evenings 3.30-6.30 |
| 19th October | Harvest Festivals Year 1 at 9am Year 5 at 2.30pm |

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| 19th October | Last day of Term 1 |
| 29th October | INSET Day Staff only |
| 30th October | 1 st Day of Term 2 |
| 15th November | Planetarium in School |
| 1st December | PTA Christmas Fair |
| 4th December | Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight Check |
| 13th December | Nasal Flu immunisations Reception-Year 5 |
| 17th December | Year 1 Carols at Woodmancote Church 6.30-7.30 |
| 20th December | Last day of Term 2 |
| 21st December | INSET Day Staff only |
| 7th January | 1 st day of Term 3 |

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