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# Newsletter

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## Thank you

Thank you to everyone who made the special effort to dress up for World Book Day. We recognise that for many this can be yet another thing to do in a busy week, so we do appreciate your support.



## STEM Week

Next week sees the annual STEM week and the children have a host of visitors and activities planned. Thank you to all those parents who have volunteered their time to come in and speak to the children. It promises to be a super week and a big thank you to the Science and Technology and Maths Team for organising the week.

## Chicks

We have been very excited watching all 10 of our chicks hatch. Next week we are really looking forward to holding them and letting them have a run around on the field! All classes and Little Chestnuts have been learning about life cycles and caring for animals this week.



## Police Visit

On Friday, the Reception classes had a visit from 3 police officers and 2 police dogs, Django

and Holly. Django showed us how he can stop people who are trying to run away. We all learnt a lot about the job that our police do.



## Little Chestnuts

Little Chestnuts have been very busy in the last couple of weeks collecting worms for their new wormery. Do come and have a look when you visit!

They have loved coming over to big school to visit the chicks and are going to have a stroke of them next week. They have also been learning the new 'Jai Ho' dance with the Reception classes.

Their new story is Goldilocks, and they have been busy learning the story and singing the Goldilocks song.

## Woodmancote Neighbourhood Development Plan

Thank you to the three parents who came along to the information session last week! If you were unable to come along or simply forgot about it, the following link may be of interest.

<https://woodmancotendp.co.uk/>

## Coronavirus

There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the virus.

There are general principles anyone can follow to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- washing your hands often - with soap and water, or use alcohol sanitiser if handwashing facilities are not available. This is particularly important after taking public transport
- covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throwing the tissue in a bin. See [Catch it, Bin it, Kill it](#)
- people who feel unwell should stay at home and should not attend work or any education or childcare setting
- pupils, students, staff and visitors should wash their hands:
  - before leaving home
  - on arrival at school
  - after using the toilet
  - after breaks and sporting activities
  - before food preparation
  - before eating any food, including snacks
  - before leaving school
- use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- avoid close contact with people who are unwell
- clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- if you are worried about your symptoms or those of a child or colleague, please

call NHS 111. Do not go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment

- see further information on the [Public Health England Blog](#) and the [NHS UK website](#).

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>





### Diary Dates

9 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup>	STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Week
9 <sup>th</sup>	School Spring Clean 4.30-7.30
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 4 Play Wind in the Willows 2pm Performance 6.30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 4 Play Wind in the Willows 6.30pm Performance
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Last day of Term 4
3 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET day for staff
20 <sup>th</sup>	First day of Term 5
20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 4 Residential to the Forest of Dean

### Midday Supervisor Vacancies

Our school is looking for enthusiastic and well organised Midday Supervisors to work daily from 12.15 to 1.15pm (fewer days may be possible for the right candidate).

Please apply by completing the standard Gloucestershire County Council application form and return it, with a letter of application, to Mrs Rosie Williams [sbm@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk).

More details and an application form can be found on the school website <https://woodmancoteschool.co.uk/current-vacancies/>

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