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Newsletter

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Newsletter 24. 16th July 2021

Second Hand Uniform

The PTA have done an amazing job of washing a wide range of second hand school uniform. We are well aware that uniform can become quite expensive, so in order to help parents and to do a little bit for the environment, the uniform will be available to any parent who wishes to take it. All we are asking is for a voluntary donation to the school.

The uniform will be set out on the playground on Monday at pick up time. Please feel free to come on site at 3pm and take what you need for the new academic year.

Year 6

Residential

The Year 6 children had an amazing experience at The Pioneer Centre last week. Photos of the three day adventure will soon be on the website, although many of you have already seen photos on DOJO.

Year 6 Evening and Presentations

This will begin straight after school on Thursday 22nd July with a staff v children Rounders Match, followed by something to eat, kindly paid for by the PTA. A photo Booth will also be available for the children to use.

At 5.15 Parents are invited on site to join staff and children for the Annual Awards Presentation. This will be outside, but may we ask parents to remain socially distanced and wear face masks on site? Britannia Way gate will be opened at 5.10pm

Year 6 Play

This has now been recorded and will be on the website shortly. Whilst the children were not able to perform in front of parents, they were able to experience

rehearsing and performing as part of their time in Year 6.

Monday 19th arrangements for rest of term

Operational guidance for Schools from September 2021 has been published. As on previous occasions, school leaders have had no prior warning of what this would entail ahead of its publication to the public as a whole.

As a school we will be discussing what implications it will have for us in September and I will communicate this to you over the coming weeks.

For the remainder of this academic year, until we finish on Friday 23rd July, we will be continuing with all current practices, including requesting that you continue to wear a face covering on the school playground at drop off and pick up. This will enable us to maintain a sense of consistency and also protect our families and staff ahead of a much needed summer break. Thank you for your support throughout this year and we look forward to a more settled academic year in September.



Mrs Badham

The school is marking the 25th anniversary of Mrs Badham at Woodmancote with the planting of a small copse of Silver Birch on the school grounds.

This is part of our desire to engage children with the world around them and recognise the contribution that Sarah has made to the success of the school since she arrived all those years ago!



Growing Hope Project

Thanks to your generosity you have helped raise over £350 to help us launch this project. Thank you. We appreciate that there are many demands on your time and money, so we really do appreciate your support.

Wildlife Park-Wednesday 21st July

We are all looking forward to our whole school trip next week. Please find further information about the day below.

We want to make the most of the whole day, so coaches will **leave** the school by 9am, meaning children will need to be in school by 8.30am. The school gates will open at 8.20am and parents are asked to drop children off and leave the site.

We will be returning to school at approximately 5.00pm.

Children will need to wear school uniform as well as comfortable footwear and be prepared for all weather conditions (waterproof coats, sun hats and cream).

The children will require a packed lunch (including a drink) in a small ruck sack that they can carry themselves.

Arrival Back at school

As you can imagine having well over 500 children and adults arriving back at school within a short time frame poses its own logistical challenges. So, in order to keep all children safe and to help parents with how we aim to finish the day, please read the following carefully.

PLEASE KEEP BRITANNIA WAY AS CLEAR AS POSSIBLE AS COACHES CAN STRUGGLE TO GET THROUGH IF PARENTS PARK EITHER SIDE.

- A coach at a time will enter the car park, deposit the children who will enter the building via the front door. There will be no planned drop off on the road or outside the school grounds.
- Parents to access the school grounds in the usual way via Station Road and exiting via Britannia Way
- No child should leave with a parent straight from the coach. They must re-enter the building and then be dismissed from there.
- Parents will collect from classroom doors as normal, other than Little Chestnuts and Maple. Maple will leave by their fire exit and Little Chestnuts will be reunited with parents from the Infant Corridor Door. (Look out for the flag!)
- Children who are going to Woodpeckers will be taken to the Hall after all the children have been dismissed from the classrooms.

Meet the Teacher session

Children will have the opportunity to meet their teacher on Tuesday 20th July for a short story session.

Children in Year 5 will be told who their teacher is by Mr Evans prior to this and Mrs White, who continues to self isolate will meet her class remotely!

Parents of children in Year 5 will be contacted on the Tuesday with the name of their child's teacher. Once again can I stress how important it is that children receive positive messages from parents as to who their next teacher is. We have allocated classes according to friendships (identified by the children themselves) as well as ensuring a spread of ability.



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Last Day of Term

Our last day of term is Friday 23rd July and we will finish at the usual times.

The first day back for children in September is Thursday 2nd September. However, Reception will begin their phased start to school on Monday 6th.

The newsletter next week will contain information as to how the new term will begin and arrangements for how children will be coming into school. Whilst it will be 'return to normal', we have learnt a few lessons over this year, so we may be doing some things slightly differently.

School Term Dates for 2021-22

These can be found on the school website. Please note that due to the extended Platinum Jubilee weekend, school will end on Thursday 21st July, not 22nd as initially planned.

Reports

You would have now received your child's annual report. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the report with your child's teacher, please send them a message and a mutually convenient time to meet via TEAMS can be arranged. If you have not received a report please email

admin@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

New appointment

We are delighted to welcome Miss Cowan, Mr Jefferies and Mr Wood to Woodmancote in September. They will be teaching in Yew, Cedar and Lime respectively. Mrs McCormack will not be leaving us, but will be supporting teachers and covering for them each week.

However, Mr Williams will be leaving us to go to Northway Infants on a secondment. We

certainly wish him every success for the new academic year.

Uniform

We have been advised by Schooltogs Monkhouse that they have good stock levels of all Woodmancote school uniform, with exception of the PE bag with school logo on, which they are expecting delivery of mid August.

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Pre-school Website:

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Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor to work for 1 hour a day, 5 days per week.

If you would like more details, please contact Mrs Williams sbm@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk

Woodmancote School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff, and volunteers, to share the same commitment. This position is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Classes for 2021 -22

Reception	Mrs Badham	
Oak	Mrs Baxter	
Reception	Mrs Howard	
Ash	Mrs Dodwell	
Year 1	Mr Jones	Oak
Beech		
Year 1	Mrs Workman	Ash
Maple	Mrs Pearman	
Year 2	Mrs Grosvenor	Beech
Willow		
Year 2	Mr Jefferies	Maple
Cedar		
Year 3	Mr Ridal	Cedar
Pine		
Year 3	Mrs Holding	Willow
Fir		
Year 4	Mr Wood	Fir
Lime		
Years 4	Mr Guest	Pine
Holly		
Years 5	Miss Perkins	Lime
Hazel		
Years 5	Miss Cowan	Holly
Yew		
Year 6	Mr Evans	
Sycamore		
Years 6	Mr Adkin	
Rowan		
Year 6	Mrs White	
Elder		



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