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# Newsletter

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**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

## **Parent Consultations**

These will be taking place next Tuesday and Thursday. If this is your first time, please come into the school via the main office, where you will be directed to your child's classroom. Please feel free to look through your child's work and the teacher will then come and find you.

## **School Attendance**

With this newsletter you will also be receiving a letter regarding school attendance. This is in response to changes in guidance from the Government. Please take the time to read it, as there will be implications for families where children are not attending school on a regular basis.

## **Volunteers needed for Disco**

The PTA is organising a UV Sparklers and Spookers Disco on Thursday, 7 November 2024 (Y1, Y2 and Y3 - 6:15pm - 7:15pm; and Y4, Y5 and Y6 - 7:30pm - 8:30pm).

We urgently need some additional parent volunteers for the **Y4, Y5 and Y6 disco (7:30pm- 8:30pm)** to ensure that this event can run. You would need to be there ten minutes before the start time.

email [thepta@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:thepta@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk) if you can help. Many thanks, The PTA

## **School Meal payments**

Please refer to the School Meals Payment policy <https://woodmancoteschool.co.uk/school-policies/> for detailed information regarding the payment of school meals and eligibility for Free School Meals.

Parent/s must pay in advance for the school lunch using the method of payment outlined below:

- Online using ParentPay

If parents believe that their children may qualify for entitlement to Free School Meals they should contact the office for more details. This allowance is a statutory right and it is important that parents use it if they qualify.

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 administrator will phone the parent to ask them to pay online immediately. Otherwise, they must provide sandwiches before lunch time or arrange to take their child home for lunch.

If payment of the debt is not received by the next day, the Headteacher reserves the right to begin legal proceedings against parents to recover the debt. Social services may also be informed that these parents are not carrying out the responsibility of care by not providing food for their children at lunchtime.

## **Cross Country**

Well done to all those children who participated in the recent cross country

event. Mr Adkin was incredibly proud of you all, as you ran enthusiastically and had a positive attitude regardless of where you came in the field.

### Reception 2025 Open Sessions

We have already started showing around prospective children/parents for September 2025. If you know of anyone who is considering Woodmancote, please let them know of our upcoming dates.

Tue 19th November, 9am

Tue 26th November, 9am & 1.45pm

Places are limited so please call to book your place.

[admin@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@woodmancote.gloucs.sch.uk)

### Dates for the Diary

October	
Black History Month	
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultation Evenings
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day No school for children
November	
4 <sup>th</sup> November	First day back after half term
7 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Disco
w/b 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	PTA Christmas Fayre
28 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA AGM (New date)
December	
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term

### Staff Emails

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