



Woodfall News

6 October 2014



Harvest Assemblies

Year 3 will be leading a Harvest Assembly on Tuesday 21 October at 9.15am in the Junior Hall. Parents of Year 3 children are welcome to join their child's harvest celebration. We would be grateful for any donations of tinned, dried and fresh produce. All the donations will go to the Charles Thompson Mission. The Mission provides 25,000 meals every year for under privileged people across Wirral. Without donations they would not be able to carry out this valuable work.

ECO News



Please send in any Morrison's Let's Grow vouchers you may have to us as we hope to supplement our gardening equipment for our pupils to use.

Woodfall Sustainability in Action

Following our recent fresh vegetable sale we raised a fantastic £39.40. Thank you to all who helped us sell the produce from both the Infant and Junior Eco allotments. We would like to thank all the children who helped plant and harvest these crops as well as everyone who kindly purchased them. We have had some really positive feedback and trust you all enjoyed these tasty delights.

Mr Lowry

Healthy School

As we are a Healthy School can parents please refrain from sending in sweets / chocolates for birthdays etc.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all parents who made and donated delicious cakes! With your help we raised £224.20 for this worthy charity.

Attention Year 6 Parents/Carers

From 01 September, parents and carers could apply for secondary school places for their children for September 2015. The closing date for applications is **31 October 2014**.

Late applications are dealt with after all on-time applications and therefore children can be disadvantaged and have a lower chance of receiving a place at their preferred school. This can also cause distress to Year 6 children when they are unsure which school they will be attending at a late stage.

Parents can apply on-line through our website at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk or can contact the contact centre on 0300 123 7039.

Woodfall's Parents' Association

Our thanks are due to all the members of the Parents' Association, who have worked so hard to provide us with so many enjoyable activities. Last year they raised £5,000 to help provide valuable extra activities and resources for the children. At their recent AGM the following members were elected:

Chair Person - Lindsay Ball

Vice Chairperson - Catherine Marsh

Secretary - Claire Morgan

Treasurer - Angela Moores

School Photographs



Thank you to all parents who have purchased their child's school photograph. The money raised by you purchasing these photographs goes towards additional resources for the children within the school.



Homework Club

We welcome children and parents together to attend our Homework Club which is open from 8.20am every Monday. Whilst you are very welcome to join your child every Monday, you may also use our Homework Club as a 'drop in' to receive guidance for specific homework.

Reminder - Children attending homework club must bring their homework with them.

Morning Procedure-Infant Department

Can we please ask that parents wait around the back of the lines, giving all parents a clearer view of their children entering the school doors.

Junior Department

Can we please ask parents to stand clear of the Junior exit at the end of the day in order for the children to have a clear view when exiting the building.

Thank you for your support

Complaint re Dog Fouling

Can we please remind all parents / carers that dogs, with exception of guide dogs, are not permitted within the school premises. Also can we remind all parents / carers bringing their dogs on the walk to school that they have a responsibility to be picking up their dog's faeces.

Assessment Workshops

Tuesday 4 November - 9.00am & 6.00pm

Once again we will be holding our annual Teacher Assessment workshops. This is an opportunity for you to find out the meaning of the teacher assessment levels that will feature on your child's report. If you haven't attended one of these sessions before please come along.

PSHCE & Drugs Education Workshop

Thursday 27 November 2014 at 6.00pm

As part of the National Curriculum, children in all classes follow a scheme of work in Sex and Relationships Education. In partnership with other schools, we follow the Christopher Winter Project (CWP) which is a resource to help with the delivery of these lessons.

We will be holding a Workshop for all parents who are interested in learning more about our approach to teaching Sex and Relationships Education and Drugs Education on **Thursday 27th November at 6.00pm**.

Holidays in Term Time

Can I please remind all parents that national regulations state: "**Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time**". The Department for Education requirement states "**current law does not give any entitlement to parents to take their child on holiday during term time**".

Half Term Holiday

A reminder that school closes for the half term holiday on Friday 24 October and will re-open on Tuesday 4 November 2014.

Just to remind you we have an open invitation for you to contact us regarding queries and / or problems. Please help us by letting us try to help straight away, rather than letting things build up. Thank you

Woodfall Primary School

Holiday Dates 2014 - 2015

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER 2014		TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2014
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2014	FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER 2014	TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2014
CHRISTMAS 2014/15	FRIDAY 19 DECEMBER 2014	MONDAY 5 JANUARY 2015
SPRING HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015	MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015
EASTER 2015	THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2015	MONDAY 20 APRIL 2015
MAY DAY 2015 - MONDAY 4 MAY 2015		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 22 MAY 2015	MONDAY 1 JUNE 2015
SUMMER 2015	FRIDAY 17 JULY 2015	

INSET DAYS

MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2014
MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2014
THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015
MONDAY 20 JULY 2015
TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015

Holiday Dates 2015 – 2016

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER 2015		WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2015
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER 2015	TUESDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2015
CHRISTMAS 2015/16	FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2015	TUESDAY 5 JANUARY 2016
SPRING HALF TERM 2016	FRIDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2016	MONDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2016
EASTER BANK HOLIDAY- FRIDAY 25 & MONDAY 28 MARCH 2016		
SPRING BREAK 2016	FRIDAY 1 APRIL 2016	MONDAY 18 APRIL 2016
MAY BANK HOLIDAY 2015 - MONDAY 2 MAY 2015		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2016	FRIDAY 27 MAY 2016	TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2016
SUMMER 2016	THURSDAY 21 JULY 2016	

INSET DAYS

TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2015
MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2015
MONDAY 4 JANUARY 2016
MONDAY 6 JUNE 2016
FRIDAY 22 JULY 2016

Autumn Term 2014

October		
Monday	6	Year 6 Residential Visit to Winmarleigh (Monday 6 - Thursday 9 October)
Tuesday	7	1.30 - 3.30pm Orienteering Competition Y3/4 - Neston Primary School
Wednesday	8	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (4 of 10) am Y4 to Cheshire Oaks Vue to see BBC Ten Pieces
Thursday	9	pm Y4 Allotment Scheme Y6 to return from Winmarleigh at approx. 2.30pm
Monday	13	8.00am Fencing Club 3 of 4 (Juniors only)
Wednesday	15	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (5 of 10)
Saturday	18	1st race of the Cross Country Season at Woodfall Primary (Arrive from 9.40am)
Monday	20	8.00am Fencing Club 4 of 4 (Juniors only) Y5 to Ness Gardens PA Bingo Evening
Tuesday	21	9.15am Y3 Harvest Assembly for parents / carers of Y3 pupils (Junior Hall) 2.15pm Y1 Grandparents Toy Party (Infant Hall)
Wednesday	22	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (6 of 10)
Friday	24	Non-Uniform Day in aid of Rota Kids Charity (£1 voluntary donation)
Half term Monday 27 - Friday 31 October 2014		
November		
Monday	3	Inset Day - School closed to pupils
Tuesday	4	9.00am & 6.00pm Assessment Workshops for parents led by Helen Hough
Wednesday	5	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (7 of 10)
Thursday	6	Y5/6 Football Tournament at Neston HS
Saturday	18	Cross Country at Elton Primary - Arrive from 9.40am - 1 st race 10.00am
Monday	10	Parent / Teacher Interviews 3.30 - 6.30pm
Tuesday	11	Y6 Cake Sale
Wednesday	12	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (8 of 10)
Thursday	13	Parent / Teacher Interviews 3.30 - 6.30pm
Wednesday	19	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (9 of 10) pm Y5/6 Tag Rugby Competition at Woodfall
Saturday	22	Cross Country at Willaston Primary - Arrive from 9.40am - 1 st race 10.00am
Tuesday	25	Open Day for Prospective Parents 9.30 - 11.00am & 1.30 - 2.30pm
Wednesday	26	Y3 Swimming 1.00 - 2.00pm (10 of 10)
Thursday	27	6.00pm PSHCE Workshop for parents
Saturday	29	PA Winter Fair
December		
Monday	1	10.15am Y3 to visit Little Neston Methodist Church - Christmas Characters 3.15pm Y5/6 High 5 Netball Comp - Neston High School
Tuesday	11	5.30pm PA Carol Singing
Friday	12	10.00am Reception Christmas Performance
Monday	15	1.45pm Y1 / 2 Christmas Performance (1 of 2) 6.30pm Y3/4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday	16	6.30pm Y1 / 2 Christmas Performance (2 of 2)
Wednesday	17	Christmas Lunch for pupils 6.30pm Y5/6 Christmas Performance
Friday	19	School closes for Christmas - School re-opens on Monday 5 January 2015