



## Woodfall News

**8 January 2015**



### Mobile Phones

A number of children have received mobile phones as Christmas presents and we recognise that many parents want their children to have their phones with them as they walk to and from school. Just a reminder that mobile phones are not to be used on our school premises and must be handed in to the class teacher at the start of the school day. They will be returned at the end of the school day. Please reinforce this expectation with your child. Many thanks.

### Clubs and Activities

The Autumn / Spring Term Clubs and Activities programme re-commences week beginning Monday 12 January 2015.

**Please note there will be no Clubs / Activities taking place after school on Tuesday 20 January 2015 due to staff training.**



### Woodfall's Website

[www.woodfall.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.woodfall.cheshire.sch.uk)

Don't forget that if you miss a newsletter they can be found on our website. The message board is very useful for up-to-date information on whether clubs are running.



## Internet Safety Talk 26 January 2015

We will be holding an e-safety workshop for parents / carers on Monday 26 January 2015 at 6.30pm. The workshop will take place in the Junior Hall.

We strongly recommend that parents / carers attend this meeting in order to be aware of the challenges your family may face in the future.



### Cross Country

The next Cross Country Race is at St Bernard's School, Ellesmere Port on Saturday 17 January 2015 at St Bernard's Primary School, CH65 5EW

### Starting School September 2015

Can we please remind parents / carers that if they have a child born between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2011 and you are a Cheshire West and Chester resident you need to apply for a school place before **15 January 2015**. You can apply online at [www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions) or telephone the Authority on 0300 123 7039 to request a 'Starting School 2015-2016' booklet which contains an application form.



### Woodfall Calendars 2015

We still have some Woodfall Calendars for sale in the school office at £3.50 each.

## Facebook and Photographs

We have been advised that pictures of children performing in Woodfall's Y3/4 Christmas Performance have been posted on Facebook without the consent of the parents of the children appearing in these pictures. May we politely, on behalf of the parents who have approached school about this, request that the pictures featuring other children on them be removed. Many thanks.



## 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. You may also wish your child (on his/her own) to attend homework club on a Monday and should this be the case, please ensure that they have their homework with them when they attend.

## Dinner Money

As you are aware you are now able to pay online for your child's school lunch. Can we please remind junior parents / carers that their child's account **must** be in credit in order for them to have a school lunch.

## Vacancies

### Lunchtime Playleaders/Midday Assistants

We have a vacancy for a midday assistant/playleader to help supervise the infant children in the lunch hall and on the playground between 11.45 and 1.15 pm on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. We also have vacancies for casual midday assistants to provide occasional cover from time to time. If you are interested in these vacancies please see Mrs Hogg in the School Office.

### Kitchen Assistant

A Kitchen Assistant is required as soon as possible to support our successful catering company at Woodfall Primary School. The post is initially for 1.5 hours per day over the lunch period. If you are interested in this post please contact the Catering Supervisor via the school office.

## Your Feedback

If you have any queries or comments to make about any of the items on this newsletter, please contact Mrs Hough, Mrs Bramham or Mrs Hogg in the School Office.

*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*

**Spring / Summer Term 2015**

<b>January</b>		
Friday	9	Orchestra Rehearsals start
Monday	12	Before and After School Clubs/Activities re-commence this week 3.30pm Burwardsley Meeting for Y4 parents - Junior Hall
Tuesday	13	Y5 PA Cake Sale
Wednesday	14	Y4 Swimming (1 of 9)
Saturday	17	Cross Country Race - St. Bernard's Primary School, CH65 5EW
Tuesday	20	am PC Williamson - Y1/2 - Road Safety/Stranger Danger Talk pm PC Williamson - Y3 - Road Safety & e-safety talk <b>No School Clubs and Activities after school today due to staff training</b>
Wednesday	21	Y4 Swimming (2 of 9)
Thursday	22	Y4 Allotment Scheme 1.00 - 3.00pm Y6 Maths Team to Inter Primary Maths Quiz 3.15 - 5.00pm Y5/6 Indoor Athletics - NHS
Monday	26	Rotakids Junior Cake Sale 6.30pm e-safety talk for parents - Junior Hall
Wednesday	28	Y4 Swimming (3 of 9)
<b>February</b>		
Monday	2	4H to Burwardsley
Tuesday	3	4H at Burwardsley
Wednesday	4	4S to Burwardsley 4.00pm 4H return from Burwardsley
Thursday	5	4S at Burwardsley
Friday	6	4.00pm 4S return from Burwardsley
Monday	9	6.00pm Y6 SATs Meeting for Parents / Carers - Junior Hall
Wednesday	11	Y4 Swimming (4 of 9)
Thursday	12	4 x Y6 Pupils to Robotics Works at Chester University
Friday	13	PA Infant Cake Sale School closes for half term
Monday	23	School re-open
Tuesday	24	Y5 - Visit to Museum of Liverpool Life and Liverpool Philharmonic
Wednesday	25	Y4 Swimming (5 of 9)
Thursday	26	Y4 Allotment Scheme
Saturday	28	Cross Country Race - Woodlands Primary School, CH66 2JT
<b>March</b>		
Tuesday	3	Y4 PA Cake Sale
Wednesday	4	Y4 Swimming (6 of 9)
Wednesday	11	Y4 Swimming (7 of 9)
Thursday	12	Y4 Allotment Scheme
Wednesday	18	Y4 Swimming (8 of 9)
Saturday	21	Cross Country Race - Final Race - Our Lady Star of the Sea PS, CH65 7AQ
Monday	23	Before / After School Clubs and Activities Programme finish this week
Wednesday	25	Y4 Swimming (Final Session)
Thursday	26	Y4 Allotment Scheme
Friday	27	Termly Reports to parents
Tuesday	31	3.30 - 6.30pm Parent / Teacher Interviews
<b>April</b>		
Wednesday	1	3.30 - 6.30pm Parent / Teacher Interviews
Thursday	2	Non-Uniform Day - Purple Day in aid of Rota Kids - Voluntary donation Infant Cake Sale School Closes for Easter Holidays
Monday	20	School re-opens

## Holiday Dates 2014 - 2015

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SPRING HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015	MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015
EASTER 2015	THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2015	MONDAY 20 APRIL 2015
<b>MAY DAY 2015 - MONDAY 4 MAY 2015</b>		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 22 MAY 2015	MONDAY 1 JUNE 2015
SUMMER 2015	FRIDAY 17 JULY 2015	

### INSET DAYS

THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015

MONDAY 20 JULY 2015

TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015

### School Attendance Regulations

Can we please remind parents / carers that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Please note that the LA will issue fixed penalty fines to families on return from unauthorised holidays during term time.

The purpose of these changes are to ensure that children are not missing school and thus vital learning opportunities, which often cannot be caught up quickly. By ensuring your child attends school every day you are maximising his/her potential.

May we also take this opportunity to remind all parents that registration commences at 8.55am with the first lesson beginning at 9.00am. Any child arriving after this time is late and will be missing valuable schooling. We are currently working with the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) to look at reasons for late arrivals.