

Woodbury C of E Primary School



19th October 2018

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Dear Parents

It has been a busy half term and it has ended with two very positive events – the singing concerts on Monday and a presentation by Year 6 to the school and their parents about their recent residential. At both it was lovely to see the children happily share their skills and experiences and see them grow in confidence - from the youngest sharing their first song and keeping time with the rhythm sticks to the eldest going caving and building shelters. We are all ready for a half term break and I look forward to seeing everyone on **Tuesday 30th October**.

The Forest School Base

You may well have noticed the new Forest School Base at the top of the field. This has been provided by the PTFA and is going to make Forest School lessons much easier, with resources being kept near the site and the children being able to do activities inside if necessary. A huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in fund raising and organising this – it is amazing.

Forest School Lessons

After half term Maple, Chestnut and Ash class will be doing Forest School lessons and the children will need welly boots. If you have any spare wellies which are in good condition please could you donate them to school via the office.

Chestnut's lesson will be on Mondays, Maple's lesson will be on Wednesdays and Ash's lesson will be on Fridays.

PTFA AGM

At the AGM this week, it was brilliant to hear all of the things the PTFA have done for the school – see attached copy of the AGM minutes. At the meeting Kate and Bruce McCormick stepped down from being co-secretaries and Zoe Thomson also left the committee. We would like to say an enormous thank you on behalf of everyone to all the committee and especially those finishing, for all their energy and commitment they have given for the children – they have made a huge difference. Thank you also to Helen Playfair and Jane Ware who have volunteered to be co-secretaries of the PTFA and I am sure everyone will be able to support them and the PTFA over the coming year.

PFTA Christmas Fair – 15th December

The Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 15th December, 12-3pm held at the school. There will be a meeting to organise this on 7th November, 8pm, at Woodbury School. We promise that by coming along to the meeting you won't have to make a huge commitment, but if you could help us to organise the fair and make it a success to raise lots of money then that would be fab! Hope to see you there.

Eco Café

A few weekends ago, Molly and Evie ran an Eco Café, with the aim of raising money for Surfing Against Sewage and the PTFA. The café was a huge success and the girls have raised a very impressive £152 to be split between the two charities. On behalf of everyone I would like to say a huge thank you – the money will be spent carefully on things for the school – most likely towards some new laptops. The girls have told me that they learnt a lot and enjoyed themselves so they are thinking of doing another one in the summer.

Coats

Please can you send your child to school with a coat every day. We like the children to go outside at break times if it is not too wet or cold but at this time of year they do need to have a coat.

Lost property

There is currently a lot of lost property in the practical area – any named items have been returned to their owner. If your child has lost a jumper, coat or shoes please check the lost property box as it will be cleared at the end of the first week of next half term. Please could you also make sure that all of your child's belongings are named so that if they are lost they can be returned.

Please do not use the field or fitness trail at the end of the day

The field is currently waterlogged and therefore out of bounds in order to give the grass a chance to recover and to prevent the children getting muddy and bringing this into school. It is also the time of year where mushrooms appear and as a precautionary measure any children, including pre-school children, must not go on the field.

The fitness trail is also frequently wet and for this reason I advise that you do not let your child climb on it at the end of the day, if they do you are responsible for their safety.

Parent evening and annual contribution

You can still make an appointment for parent evenings and give to the annual contribution online.

Wishing you a lovely half term

Mrs Sparks
Head Teacher