

Woodbury C of E Primary School



28th September 2018

Flier 4

Dear Parents

This week we have all enjoyed the Harvest Service led by the children in Cherry and Maple classes. It was lovely to see the children perform and recite their readings so confidently – reflecting a lot of practise. It is lovely to see the Year 6 buddies supporting the new children in Beech class by playing with them at break times and sharing some lesson time together.

Farewell to Mrs Mitchell and Welcome to Mrs Pym

After 17 years serving meals and looking after the children at lunchtime, Mrs Mitchell has decided it is time to retire. We are all going to miss Mrs Mitchell a great deal; her care of the children and staff alike has been immense. We all wish her well in the future and look forward to her popping in from time to time.

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Pym, who will be joining the lunchtime team in a couple of weeks.

Reminder: Singing concert

You may have noticed that this term's singing concert is before half term on Monday 15th October at 9.15am and 2.15pm.

Reminder: Non –pupil Day

Just in case you have not realised, school is closed on the Monday 29th October as the staff will be having a training day.

Attendance

Accompanying this Flier is a letter about attendance. I have recently met with Mrs Archard, our Educational Welfare Officer, to discuss our school's attendance. Mrs Archard is keen to support the school and parents to enable children to be in school. In line with County policy, where a child has been absent for 10 unauthorised sessions (ie 5 days) County will consider issuing penalty fines.

In line with all the local primary schools and Exmouth Community College, if your child has been medically absent for more than 20 sessions, I will meet with you to review the situation and see if there are ways school, the EWO or health service can support in improving your child's attendance. Where your child has been ill with one period of absence due to a single condition or they have been in hospital this will not be necessary.

Reminder: Annual contribution

A reminder that this can be paid online. Thank you to everyone who has already paid and I know that several people have said to me that are intending to but have yet to get round to it. Please could I ask that if you are in a position to support the annual contribution that you do so as it removes the need to ask for small contributions during the year such as ingredients, batteries for models etc as well as provide fun extra's for the children such as prizes for class parties.

Reminder: Change of contact details

If you have moved, have a new job or your contact details or child's medical needs have changed please can you inform the office in writing. As part of the parent's meetings after half term, you will be asked to check that the information we hold about this is correct but in the meantime could you let us know if anything has changed.

ASC-Pupil Designed Christmas Cards

In the book bags this week you will find a template for your child to design their own Christmas Card. If your child submits a design, you will receive a free sample of their card and can then order packs if you wish. There is no obligation to buy. Proceeds from the sale of Christmas Cards will go to the After School Club so that new resources can be bought for the children. Please return your design (one per child please) to the school office by Friday 12th October. (This will allow plenty of time for samples to be checked and orders to be returned in plenty of time for sending your Christmas cards). Any queries please contact Rachel Standen (rach.standen@gmail.com) or Jenna in the After School Club.

Dates for the term

Year 6 Residential:	2 nd -5 th October
Singing Concerts:	15 th October 9.15am and 2.15pm
PTFA Disco:	13 th October
Half term:	22 nd -26 th October
Inset day – no school:	29 th October
Parent meetings:	30 th October and 1 st November 3.30-6.30pm
Anti-bullying week:	12 th November
Children in Need:	16 th November
Nativity (FS&KS1):	10 th 2pm & 12 th December 2pm & 6pm at school
Carol Service (KS2):	13 th December, 6pm at St Swithun's Church
Last day term:	21 st December
First day of new term:	7 th January

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Mrs Sparks
Head Teacher