



**Woodbury C of E
Primary School**

Newsletter



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VALUE

Our value for this half term is Respect.

'Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else'. Thessalonians 5:15

Dear Parents and Carers

Last week I was asking you to ensure your child has a hat in school because it was so warm, and this week I am asking you to ensure your child has a coat! We are trying to get the children outside as much as we can, even if it is raining, so please ensure your child brings a coat with them every day. We are also keeping the windows open in the classrooms, as advised, so it would be great if your child could wear layers e.g. vest, t shirt, school top, jumper, long trousers or tights.

Home Learning

This week your child will be accessing home learning on Google Classroom – Please ensure you enroll your child into their class home learning page by going to Google classroom, clicking on the + at the top of the page to a join a class and enter the code that is on each of your child's newsletter (sent out last week). On the website there is information on how to enroll your child and a reminder about how Google Classroom works. This can be found under the Learning at Home tab. There are also copies in the foyer.

If you have problems with completing the learning in this way, please let your child's class teacher know.

New exit for Years 5 & 6

From Monday 28th September, Years 5 and 6 will now exit school via the small playground at the front of the school. Parents are asked to wait for their children in the small playground, instead of outside the premises, at their usual allocated times and to leave the playground promptly upon collection.

School Census meal

The School Census Day is on Thursday 1 October. This is an important day for the school as school funding is calculated on this day. One of the criteria that is looked at is the number of school meals taken on that day. So here is the challenge!! We would love all the children to have a school dinner on that day, particularly those in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2. This means that the pizza originally on the menu for this day will now be on Wednesday. The menu for the Census day is attached to this newsletter.

Updates/Highlights

Beech Class

'Once upon a time' dress up day Tuesday 29th Sept.

Parents Evenings

Please sign up on the link

Snacks

Please ensure you send your child with a suitable **healthy** snack to eat at playtimes.

Water Bottles

Please ensure you send your child to school with a water bottle each day.

PE

Please can children wear trainers to school on P.E days. PE kit not required.

Day	Class
Tu	Oak, Cherry, Maple, Chestnut, Ash
Th	Willow, Oak, Cherry, Ash, Chestnut
Fr	Maple

Forest School

Wed am - Beech Class
Wed pm – Willow Class
Please ensure children come to school dressed in their forest school clothes.

Half Term – week beg. 26th October.

End of Term - Friday 18th December

Parents Evenings

We are trying to limit the number of visitors into school, therefore this autumn teacher/parents consultations will take place via the telephone. Please visit <https://woodbury.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments. Your child's class teacher will call you via the telephone at your given time. Please see below for when these will take place. Please ensure that we have your correct telephone contact details.

Class	Teacher	Day	Time
Beech	Miss Bowyer	Monday 19 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Tuesday 20 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
Willow	Mrs Harwood	Tuesday 20 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Thursday 22 nd October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
Oak	Mrs Temple Murray Mrs Sommers	Wednesday 21 st October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Thursday 22 nd October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
*Cherry	Miss Davey	Tuesday 6 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Thursday 8 th October	4.30pm – 6.30pm
Maple	Mrs Driscoll Mr Holding	Monday 19 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Tuesday 20 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
Chestnut	Miss O'Leary	Monday 19 th October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Wednesday 21 st October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
Ash	Mrs Vernon	Wednesday 21 st October	3.30pm – 6.30pm
		Thursday 22 nd October	3.30pm – 6.30pm

****Please note that Cherry class dates are different to the rest of the school.***

Miss Davey

Miss Davey will be starting her maternity leave on Friday 9th October. Miss Green, the teacher appointed to cover Miss Davey's maternity leave will be spending some time in school over the next few weeks working with Miss Davey and getting to know the children. I am sure you will join me in wishing Miss Davey well and we look forward to welcoming her new arrival later this year.

Gardening Volunteers

We still have a lot of garden waste that urgently needs to be taken to the skip – if anyone is able to help with this please can you let us know by either calling or emailing the office.

Forest School

The forest school site is always in need of branches, logs or wood offcuts for burning or construction. Old pallets are useful for building or sawing up. We are also in need of the following:

- Empty clean baked bean cans
- Empty clean yogurt pots or similar
- Empty matchboxes
- Old buttons and beads
- Old white cotton tee shirts
- Blindfolds (like the ones you get on aeroplanes)
- Kindling

If you are able to help with these items please bring them to the main gate of the school and drop them with the member of staff who is welcoming on that day.

Harvest

The children have been learning about Harvest this week in their class collective worship sessions and although we are not celebrating Harvest in the traditional way at St Swithun's this year, we are still reflecting on all the things we have to be thankful for. As we give thanks to God for his boundless generosity, we hope to extend this generosity to our neighbours in need, in the local community as well. As such, we will be collecting donations for Exmouth Community Larder again this year. At the moment they require the following items:

Cereal

Tinned Tomatoes	Tinned potatoes	Dried potatoes (Smash)
Tinned Vegetables		Tinned Meat / meat pies
Tinned Fruit	Tinned Custard	Rice Pudding
Biscuits & savoury crackers	Sugar	
Tea (40's) & Coffee	Fruit squash	Long life Milk
Sauces (pasta, carbonara)	Sauces (curry, sweet & sour)	Treats / choc bars
Toilet Rolls	Tooth brushes	Shower gel / deodorant
Washing Powder (small)	Tooth Paste	Shampoo

COVID-19

We have a new tab on our website which has all COVID -19 related information and copies of updates we have sent and will continue to send to you. Please use this if you have any COVID-19 related questions regarding sending children into school.

We are aware that there have been some significant problems with access to COVID-19 testing. You will have seen on the news that this is not unique to Devon but none the less is of significant concern.

Below are the steps, in order, that should be followed to secure a test:

- **Individuals should only get tested if they have one, or more, symptoms of coronavirus.**
- Parents or carers of children attending school with symptoms of coronavirus should book a test as normal via the [government website](#) or by calling 119.

If you are unable to book a local testing slot then individuals should complete the appropriate forms by following the links below:

- Children under the age of 5: [Urgent Referral Form - Under 5's](#)
- School aged Children (5-18): [School Aged Children](#)
- NHS/Health/Care workers: [NHS/Health/Care Professionals](#)
- All other individuals: [Urgent Referral Form - Adults](#)

NHS Track and Trace app

The NHS Test and Trace has launched the NHS COVID-19 app. The app has been launched to help control the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). It will do this by alerting people who may have been exposed to infection so that they can take action. The app is available to download on smartphones for anyone aged 16 or over.

Wishing you a lovely weekend

Gillian Pyle
Head of School

"Learning to live life in all its fullness"

PTFA NEWFLASH!

It's great to be back! A warm welcome to all the new children and families joining the school, from the PTFA!

We have a fantastic, friendly, enthusiastic bunch of parents, with lots of helpers too, and would love you to join us. We raise money to help enrich the children's lives at school, and the children and Miss Pyle decide how they would like to use the funds. This year Miss Pyle and the children remain focussed on developing their outdoor spaces and to keep animals at school, which are exciting projects.

This year, raising money will present a new challenge and we will need to think together and creatively. If you can spare time and would like to get involved we would love to hear from you.

We will start by holding an **AGM on Thursday 1st October @ 8pm via Zoom** to plan some spending and brainstorm some new ideas for the year ahead. Let us know via email ptfawoodburyschool@yahoo.com

In the meantime, while we're all tending to do more online shopping and we can't socialise much, please follow these easy steps to raise money for the school through amazon smile and easy fund raising:

Amazon Smile - the website offers the school 0.5% on all purchases. It is the same products, prices and delivery deals of the normal Amazon website, but with the bonus of Woodbury school benefiting! Sign in to www.smile.amazon.co.uk with your normal Amazon password and choose Woodbury School Parents and Friends Association as your chosen charity. If you accidentally sign in to Amazon.co.uk for future purchases, it should remind you about donating through the Amazon Smile website.

Easyfundraising- This is the UK's biggest charity shopping fundraising site. Create an account with Woodbury School PTFA as your cause, and then shop online via the website at retailers like ebay, M&S, Argos, John Lewis, H&M, Boden, SKY, Wickes, Waitrose and MANY more retailers, to generate a donation to the school by the retailer! Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk - search Woodbury School PTFA and select the 'support this cause' button. You can then create a free account to help Woodbury school raise funds for your children.

And finally...happy Friday!

From the PTFA