



Woodbury C of E
Primary School

Newsletter



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VALUE

Our Value focus for this half term is **Love**.

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 17:17

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time. We appreciate the hard work you are all putting in to support your children with home learning whilst working, and to those who are our critical workers, for the efforts you are continually giving to our communities – thank you.

Wellbeing

The mental health and wellbeing of everyone during this time is of utmost importance to us. From next week there will be wellbeing activities and ideas for the children to access on the Google Classroom pages. On our website under Mental Health and Wellbeing there are also activities for the children to do and advice for parents – this tab has now been split into a parent section and a children's section. Please take a moment to look at the ideas on here.

[Welcome to Woodbury C of E Primary School](#)

Please ensure you contact your child's class teacher if you are concerned about your child's mental health.

Attendance

Where we have been able to, we have supported families, offering school places and helping with I.T. issues. Our role is to ensure that your children receive an excellent education, whether they are in school or at home. I cannot stress enough, the importance of engaging with the learning from home and encourage you to log in for registration and live learning times. If you have not been able to join Google Classroom, please contact the school office and we will try to help in any way we can. We will be in contact with families if we do not hear from you in the mornings, or see your children online, to ensure that everything is ok. Please ensure you contact your child's class teacher or call the school office if your child will not be able to log onto lessons because of internet issues or illness. If your child is due to be in school and they will not be, please ensure you let the office know.

Nightingale Hospital

We have been asked to provide some motivational rainbow pictures for the staff at the Exeter Nightingale hospital. These need to be A4 in size. If your child would like to participate in this project please complete them next week and drop them into school. We will look through them all and pass on as many as they would like. Any that aren't used we will display in school.

Updates/Reminders

Forest School –Oak and Maple Class – Wednesday please come to school suitably dressed and with a change of footwear.

Woodbury School's

Facebook Page–

<https://www.facebook.com/Woodbury-C-of-E-Primary-School-102568645045711/>

Parking - please be mindful of local residents when dropping off and collecting children from school

Spring Half Term

15th - 19th February 2021

End of Spring term

1st April 2021

Summer Term

20th April – 28th May

7th June – 22nd July

Free School Meals – reminder to apply

Are you able to help the school attract precious additional funding? Do you qualify for free school meals? Please refer to the letter we sent out with last week's newsletter to find out more. It costs nothing to apply, and you don't even have to take the free school meals up if you find out you qualify, but by registering, the school gets the funding.

Critical Worker Children - Attendance at School

Reminder, if you are a key worker please only book a space for your child on the days you work AND if you do not have anyone at home who can help. By reducing the number of children in school we will be supporting our community with infection control and therefore getting back to normal life that we all know and love. Please contact Jackie Doyle via admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk if you need to change/update days.

Curriculum Newsletters and Knowledge Organisers

Today you will have received your child's class curriculum newsletter. We are sorry these are later than normal but the teachers have had to adapt them this half term due to our blended learning approach of home and school learning. Uploaded onto your child's Google Classroom page will be Knowledge Organisers to help you support the children with their learning at home - this is for Years 1 to 6.

Parent Forum - reminder

Our next parent forum meeting is booked for 26th January. At the meeting we plan to discuss how learning is going at home and any suggestions of further support the school can offer. If you would like to pose a question or raise a point please can you contact either admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk or contact one of our parent forum members below:

- Jo Carter (children in Beech and Oak)
- Gail Booker-Tyas (children in Beech, Maple and Chestnut)
- Sally Willox (child in Maple)
- Suzie Cowley (child in Chestnut)

If you would like to be part of our parent forum group, please let us know via admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk and we can add you the scheduled TEAMS invite. Information about the parent forum can be found under the parent's section of the school website.

Parent Child Care Survey –Devon County Council

Calling all parents living or working in Devon. Devon County Council need your help! Whether you use childcare or not, your voice counts. The answers you give in this short survey will help the early years and childcare team in Devon County Council to plan and make sure that there is enough childcare for you to work or train: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/ParentsChildcareSurvey2021/>

Firewood

Many thanks for the deliveries of pallets, firewood and kindling this week. We are still after more, so please continue to bring any in when you have some. **However, please can you not bring in treated wood i.e. chipboard or plywood as we are unable to burn this with children around as it lets off fumes.** Thank you.

Website Updates:

News:	Devon County Council Bulletin Help primary school children continue their education during coronavirus
Learning at Home:	Early Years – Fun activities at home PE – Keeping Active Calendar
Curriculum :	Class Newsletters

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Gillian Pyle,
Head of School.

“Learning to live life in all its fullness”