



# Woodthorpe Junior and Infant School

## Weekly Newsletter



**27<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

### ***Dear Parents/Carers and families***

Please may I remind you that school will be closed on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> for the local elections. School will be open as normal on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

The summer term calendar of events is attached so you can see the range of school and class events taking place up to the end of this academic year. Some may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances and new events may be added as these are arranged, but we will notify you in writing or via the newsletter. Class outlines have also been sent today with your child.

Although we had a short spell of sunshine, the weather has been very unpredictable. We endeavour to ensure that children get some fresh air during the day and will only miss playtimes if it is too wet to go outside. Please could you ensure your child brings a coat to school every day.

We will be looking to employ a lunchtime supervisor to start after May half term. If anybody is interested or knows of someone who would like to apply for the post, or simply wants more information, please come to the office or see the school website.

Thank you.

Ms McGrath

### **Golden Mile (Week 2)**

We were certainly lucky with the weather this week! We've had a whopping 56 active children this week, travelling a combined distance of 85 miles! 8 certificates were given out this morning. Well done to Year 3 for

topping the table for another week! See you at 08:30 on Monday!

Place	Class	Distance (Miles)
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	22.50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6	14.50
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4	13.44

### **Year 3/4 Blackwell Residential**

Thank you to those parents / carers who have paid their non-refundable deposit. We have given the centre our final numbers now. Look out for a letter at the beginning of next week with further details for the trip, including a payment-plan for when the remaining balance should be paid.

### **Breakfast / After-School Clubs**

Our Breakfast Clubs started this week! If you'd like your child to get involved, please ensure that you sign up via the schools' app. There is a 'Breakfast Clubs' tile within the app that allows you to book your child on. The sessions cost £2.80 and run from 08:15-09:00 on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday morning. Please see the app for more details or come and speak to me.

### **Chance to Shine Cricket Festivals – Kings Heath Cricket Club**

The adverse weather has led to the cancellation of both the Year 4 and Year 5 cricket festivals at Kings Heath Cricket Club. Apologies for the inconvenience caused. The Year 4 event has been rescheduled for next Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May, with a date for the Year 5 event to be confirmed.

### **PE Interventions / Support**

A letter went out today explaining the fact that we are now running a variety of additional

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curriculum PE sessions throughout the week. These are financed through our allocated Sport Premium grant and are helping the school raise standards in this area of the curriculum. If you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak to me.

Mr Trevor

### E-Safety Tip

### Gaming Addiction

As gaming addiction has officially been recognised by the World Health Organisation as a mental health condition, as a parent/carer do you know what it is and what steps parents can take to protect children from developing the condition? Visit [internetmatters.org](http://internetmatters.org) for more information.

**Research completed by our Year 3 Digital Leaders, Elizabeth and Sam.**

### Sickness Reporting

**If you are leaving a message on our answering machine relating to your child's absence – Please state the symptoms of illness, so that we can record this on our management system.**

**Please follow the 48 hour rule if you child is off with sickness/diarrhoea (after last bout of illness)**

Thank you

**Assembly Theme: Confidence**

**Next week: Elections/Democracy**

**Rights of the Child- article 2, 13, 14, 17**

### Crossing Warden Urgently Required

Unfortunately our Crossing Warden has moved to a different crossing and there is now a vacancy on Woodthorpe/Brandwood Road crossing. If you or anyone you know is interested in this position, please call 0121 303 7777 for more details.



### Attendance and Punctuality



**Congratulations** to Y2 for obtaining '**Best Class**' attendance, last week of term. Remember to come to school on time and every day! We are currently above our end of year target of 97.2% for attendance. Keep it up.

Position	Class	Attendance (%)
1 <sup>st</sup>	Y2	99.17
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rec	98.75
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y1	97.92
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	97.50
Joint 4 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	97.50
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	95.42
7 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	92.08
Overall Attendance		96.90

School Lunches –Next week  
- Please see New Menu  
Week 2



**School dinners have increased by 10p per day - £2.35 per day/£11.75 per week. If you want to pay for your child's lunches in advance for this half term, the amount is £63.45. Thank you.**

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**\*\*\* PRICE INCREASE\*\*\***

**PLEASE NOTE: Y1 – Y6: Milkshakes - 45p & Fruit juice - 35p. Toast - 25p. If you order your child's toast via the office/post box, please remind your child to order their toast in the classroom. Thank you.**

### PUPILS OF THE WEEK

REC: **Nathaniel** – Fantastic progress in his learning and great attitude.

Y1: **Tristan** – Working hard this week in class and completing all his work.

**Jack J** – Excellent progress in maths – solving tricky problems.

Y2: **Nathan** – For great progress in maths.

Y3: **Falaq** – Fabulous fractions work in maths

Y4: **Mili** – Fabulous progress with writing.

Y5: **Safurah** – Excellent progress in maths.

Y6: **Ambreen** – Eager to learn. Always asking questions to develop her understanding.

MS CARRINGTON: **Zach M** – For being an enthusiastic learner and striving for improvement.

MR TREVOR: **Kieran B** – For sharing a great understanding with his geometry work.

MS MCGRATH: **Ashton** – Excellent rhythm and engagement in his brass lessons.

### School Nurse drop-in sessions

There are drop in sessions (School Health community clinics) you can

attend at Broadmeadow Health Centre on Wednesdays 3 – 5 pm and also at Poplar Road Health Centre, Thursdays 3 – 5 pm.

### Diary for the week ahead

#### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

Reception 2018 acceptance slips to be received by

3.15 – 4.15 pm Y1 – Y5 French Club

3.15 – 4.15 pm KS2 Archery Club

#### **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

8.15 – 9 am KS2 Gymnastics Club

3.15 – 4.15 pm Rugby Club

#### **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

8.15 – 9 am EYFS/KS1 Dodgeball Club

3.15 – 4.15 pm Streetdance

7 pm Woodthorpe Friends meeting in school hall – All welcome

#### **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Election Day – School closed

#### **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May**

8.15 – 9 am Multi-sports Club (Open to all classes)

Brass lessons

#### **Safeguarding and child protection:**

If we have a concern about a child, it is our duty to report this to children's services. Please see our Child Protection/Safeguarding Policy on our website.