

Woodthorpe Junior & Infant School Newsletter



8th December, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers and families

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came along to our Year 4, 5 and 6 Maths Workshop on Tuesday. Please see your child's class teacher or Mrs Jacob for further information about the maths curriculum and the class blog site for some useful links to online resources.

Year 2 went to the Back to Backs on Thursday and received a Special Mention in assembly today for their conduct and positive attitude during the visit.

School closure in the event of severe weather: We will endeavour to let parents know as soon as possible by text message and we will also inform you via the school website and twitter.

Please ensure your child has a change of footwear for indoors if wellies are worn to school, thank you.

We look forward to seeing you next week at the following events this December: Reception Nativity on the 12th and 13th, Winter Fayre on the 13th and in the final week at our Key Stage 1 Nativity on the 18th and 19th and the Winter Concert on the 21st December.

Ms L McGrath

E-safety tips:

Digital Christmas -

Tips for parents

buying new tech for your children this Christmas? Don't forget about online safety: with Christmas shopping well under way (at least for the prepared) many of us will be buying digital devices for children, with technology



continuing to feature high on those wish lists for Santa. Just remember – Consoles today don't just allow gamers to play games with others, but also allow them to exchange photos, engage in live messaging and even 'host' parties online.

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DONT FORGET.....

Children's Christmas Dinner

on

Tuesday 12th December

Turkey Roast/Halal Turkey
Roast/Macaroni Cheese/Cod Fillet with
Sage & Onion Stuffing & Vegetable Gravy

Roast/Creamed Potatoes

Selection of Vegetables; Carrot & Swede
Batons, Brussel Sprouts/Sweetcorn

Ice Cream Roll

Unfortunately, there are still quite a few children arriving late to school each morning. Children should be in the playground ready to join their class line at 8.55 am. If your child does not make it in time, they will need to come through the main entrance and they will get a late mark. We will be asking each child/parent the reason for their lateness. Please work with us to help improve this, as the beginning of the school day will go a lot more smoothly without children interrupting class. Thank you for your co-operation. Mr M Trevor.

FOREST SCHOOL

To maintain our forest school area we are in need of large logs/tree stumps. Any donations would be gratefully received. Please speak to Mrs M Preston or Mrs S Mason.

If anyone is interested in a School Crossing Patrol post in the local area, please contact School Patrol Service on 0121 303 7777. We are hoping to have the Woodthorpe/Hannon Road crossing re-instated. Unfortunately, if no candidates come forward, there will either be a crossing at Woodthorpe/Brandwood Road or Woodthorpe/Hannon Road (but not at both).

Please let your friends and family know about this post, if you think it may be of interest to them.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Rec: Leanne – For being an enthusiastic learner and working hard.

Y1: Noor – Excellent progress in class & has become a motivated & active learner.

Y2: Max – Excellent behaviour this week – a super role-model.

Y3: Zainab – For fantastic attitude to her learning and always volunteering to help out in and out of class.

Y5: Millie – Brilliant role model to many and very helpful!

Y6: Jessica – Excellent progress in maths.

MS CARRINGTON: Kieran B – Excellent behaviour – always polite.

MR TREVOR: Ellie B – For her outstanding gymnastics performance over the weekend.

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORS – Gracie B – Helping in the dinner hall.

Christmas Fayre – This Wednesday 13th December 3.15 – 5.30 pm

We will be having a cake stall at the Fayre and are in need of cake donations. Could you please hand them in to the Office by Wednesday lunchtime.

Don't forget to fill and return your cup for the tombola stall!

Please also continue to send in the items for the class hampers. You can be as imaginative as you like sweets, drinks, candles, bubble bath, anything that's your hamper colour. Also, we will be having a stall with old toys/books, and would appreciate any donations for this. All donations will be gratefully received.

The colours are as follows:

Reception – Red

Year One – Gold

Year Two – Green

Year Three – Silver

Year Four – Purple

Year Five – Orange

Year Six – Black and White

All of the money raised goes back into school, to help fund projects, buy new equipment and help to fund fun events for the children.

Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets from parents in the playground to win some fantastic prizes!

Thank you – Woodthorpe Friends

Help raise funds for our school @ AMAZON



Earn money for Woodthorpe JI School whilst you shop at Amazon this Black Friday! (And beyond) Simply use the following link to automatically generate funding for the school whilst you purchase your items from Amazon. You can also access this link from the homepage of our school website. Thank you for your support.

Amazon Link: <http://amzn.to/2B5K2eD>

Assembly Theme: British Values: Respect & Tolerance

Next Week: SEAL: Review theme of Getting On & Falling Out. Christmas Story.

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Attendance and Punctuality



Congratulations to Year 2 for obtaining 'Best Class' attendance last week with 100%.

Fantastic! 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 st	Year 2	100
2 nd =	Year 4	99.33
2 nd =	Year 6	99.33
4 th	Year 3	99.00
5 th	Year 1	98.97
6 th	Year 5	98.67
7 th	Reception	92.90
Overall Attendance		

If your child is not in school for any reason, please let us know as soon as possible. We do have an answer machine which is checked first thing in the morning & regularly throughout the day. Thank you.

The Golden Mile (Week 11)

Place	Class	Distance (Miles)
1 st	3	8.61
2 nd	2	7.40
3 rd	4	5.28

We only managed to complete our Golden Mile on Monday this week due to the wet weather. I would like to congratulate all of those children who got involved earlier in the week. Dan B (Y3) has become the second person to achieve his silver award, with Kit W (Reception) becoming the youngest child to achieve his bronze award. See you at 08:30 on Monday! (Weather permitting!) Mr Trevor

School Lunches this week
Please see Menu Week 2



PLEASE NOTE: Y1 – Y6: Milkshakes - 40p & Fruit juice up to 35p. Toast is 20p. 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.

Mrs Clews, school cook.

<p>Reminder: Dinner money is due in advance each Monday. £11.25 per week/£2.25 per day. Thank you</p>
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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.

BCFC Ticket Incentive Scheme: £10 for adults, £5 for 13 – 18 year olds & £3 for under 13's. For the following games:

Saturday 16th December: QPR

Saturday 30th December: Leeds United

Minimum purchase 4 tickets

Contact 0121 7720101 for tickets – quote: Woodthorpe2538

MOSELEY RFC v Plymouth Albion – Saturday 9th December 2017

It was great to see so many people from Woodthorpe last Saturday at Billesley Common attending the Moseley v Caldby rugby match. I hope you all enjoyed the experience. I have been given a limited number of tickets for the game next Saturday. If anyone is interested, please come and see me for tickets. Thanks for your help in supporting community sport in this area of the city.

Red Ridge Deadline – Friday 1st December 2017

1st instalment for those families following the school's Payment Plan. Please see the office if this payment hasn't been paid yet. The payment schedule is as follows:

Payment 1	By Friday 1st December 2017
Payment 2	By Thursday 1st February 2018
Payment 3	By Thursday 1st March 2018

If you are not paying off the balance in full, we do ask that payments are kept up to date. If this is a problem, please speak to Mr Trevor, Mrs Hull or Mrs Hicken.

Mr Trevor

Diary for the week ahead

Monday 11th December

3.15 – 4.15 pm Y2 – Y5 French Club

Tuesday 12th December

Brass

10.45 – 11.15 am Rec & Y1 to St Bede's Church – Christmas Story

Children's Christmas Dinner

2.15 pm Rec Nativity x 15 parents in Reception classroom

3.15 – 4.15 pm KS2 Tag Rugby (outside)

3.30 – 4.30 pm Woodthorpe
Friends Reception & KS1 Disco

4.45 – 5.45 pm Woodthorpe
Friends KS2 Disco

Wednesday 13th December

2.15 pm Rec Nativity x 16
parents in Reception classroom

3.15 – 5.30 pm Winter Fayre

No Streetdance – due to Fayre –
It will be on next Wednesday
instead.

Thursday 14th December

Rec & KS1 Clever Chimps

3.15 pm – 4.00 pm KS2 Choir

3.15 – 4.15 pm KS2 AVFC

Dates for your diary

*Please note that these dates are
subject to change & new dates
added – please check them regularly*

Monday 18th December – 2 – 3 pm KS1
Nativity Production – Prickly Hay

Tuesday 19th December – 9-15 – 10.15
am KS1 Nativity Production – Prickly Hay

Thursday 21st December – 10.30 am
Winter Concert (parents of Choir, Brass &
Street dance)

Friday 22nd December – 3.15 pm Break
up for winter holiday

Monday 8th January 8.55 am Children
return to school

Monday 5th February – Y3 swimming
every day for 2 weeks (*letter to follow*)

Friday 16th February – 3.15 pm Break up
for half term holiday

Monday 26th February – Children return
to school

Thursday 29th March – 3.15 pm Break up

Monday 16th April – Teacher Training day
– School closed to pupils

Tuesday 17th April – 8.55 am Children
return to school

Monday 7th May – May Day – School
closed/ key stage 1 test period starts

Monday 14th May – End of key stage 2
tests commence

Friday 25th May – Break up for half term

Monday 4th June – Children return to
school

Monday 11th June – Phonics screening
check week

Friday 20th July – 3.15 pm Break up

Monday 23rd July & Tuesday 24th July –
Teacher Training days – school closed

REMAINING TEACHER TRAINING DAYS – Academic Year 2017/2018

School is closed to pupils on:

Monday 16th April 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

Tuesday 24th July 2018