



Woodbury C of E  
Primary School

# Newsletter



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## VALUE

*Our value focus for this half term is **Trust**. We want to invite you to reflect upon how we trust in each other as a family and a community. And most importantly, how we can always trust in God to support us through both the joyful and challenging times in our lives.*

## Dear Parents, Carers and Children

I hope you have had a good week and enjoyed the glorious weather. The children in school have had a great time exploring the forest school area at lunchtimes and started to pick some of the vegetables that have been growing in our garden. We have also put up a display in school showing some examples of the learning the children are doing at home that celebrates the fantastic work that they have been undertaking.

## Google Classroom

Thank you submitting learning to the class teacher this week, they continue to enjoy seeing the learning that the children are doing. Each week in our staff meetings we talk about particular work that has been set and learning that they have been really impressed with and enjoyed responding to. *Next week is half term so the teachers will not be setting learning over this period, it will start again on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, as the 1<sup>st</sup> of June is a staff training day.*

## Phased Reopening

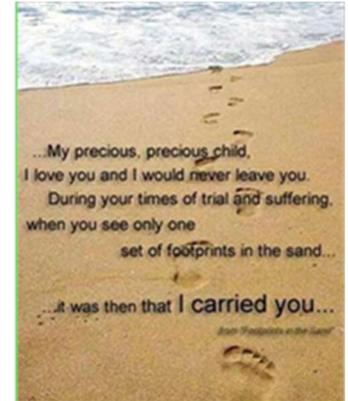
We have been busy trying to plan for a possible reopening of some year groups from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020. After a governors meeting last night, this is now been agreed to go ahead from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June for children in Beech and Willow Classes**, this will be on a two consecutive day's rota basis. Parents have been contacted by the school about this and have also received a letter asking them to respond via school gateway to support us in further planning. **Please ensure you have responded to this by Wednesday 27th May.** [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

Children will stay in micro-bubbles of up to 15 throughout their two days in school and will be following the learning that has been set by their class teacher. We will be reviewing this organisation after two weeks and make further decisions about, if and when, we can extend this opening to year 6 children or, if requested by the government, to other year groups. Please keep looking at our website under the news section for any up to date information on this.

To enable us to keep to 15 children in a micro-bubble and not have staff mixing, the teachers will be in school teaching as well as setting work on Google Classroom. Therefore, after half term you may find that the teachers are not able to respond to questions, messages and marking in the same way that they have been, or that it may be a different member of staff that will be planning or responding to the learning that is set for your child. Further information on this will be posted on Google Classroom and on our website after half term.

## Keyworkers

If you are a keyworker and need childcare, please contact [admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk) with the name of your child, the days and times you require childcare. This applies if your child has currently been coming in to school or if you are a new keyworker and require a space. **This needs to be completed on a weekly basis, by Wednesday of each week to ensure our records are up to date.**



### Well done to Ethan

It was lovely to receive some more news of a child at Woodbury who has been demonstrating our school values. Ethan, in Chestnut Class, was so inspired by Captain Tom, he ran 104 laps around the cricket pitch in his marine combat uniform. His fund raising efforts were also featured on the Chris Evans Virgin Radio show this week; he has raised over £1600 for the NHS! Well done Ethan, we are very proud of you.

### School Gateway

Following the information in the newsletter last week regarding our new payments and reporting system, we would remind you that this will be going live from 1st June 2020. We have uploaded instructions to aid your integration into the new system on our website. You will find this under 'Parents' – 'School Comms'.

### Wildlife Trust

This June, The Wildlife Trust would like you to join thousands of people taking part in an annual nature challenge, 30 Days Wild! They want you to do one wild thing a day throughout the whole month: for your health, wellbeing and for the planet. They have 30 simple, fun and exciting Random Acts of Wildness. (The link is also on our Website under 'Learning at Home'). <https://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/57739/petition/1?locale=en-GB>

### Devon Virtual School Games

This went live on Monday 18th May with the first Devon wide competition. The competitions are all virtual and suitable to do at home. Children and young people can enter as many events as they would like - a walk, jog challenge, athletics, home pentathlon, dance and an Andy Murray 100 shot rally challenge. The events will provide young people with the chance to team up with their classmates and compete against other children from across Devon. Link to their website: <https://www.activedevon.org/take-part-in-the-devonvirtualgames-and-compete-against-schools-across-devon/>. (More information is on our website under 'PE at Home')

### Website Updates: -

#### Learning at Home

German Club Nos. 3 and 4  
Forest School Home Learning – 'Magical'  
The Wildlife Trust 30-day nature challenge

#### PE & Keeping Active at home

East Devon Games Activities Version 6  
Devon Virtual Games – competitions throughout the summer

#### Mental Health & Wellbeing

- ELSA

The Mental Health Foundation – looking after yourself during Coronavirus.  
How to nurture a child's mental health  
14-day challenge.

#### News (May) - Letter to Parents

A You Tube message from Team Woodbury  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3sShW8i-6g&t=16s>

As always please let us know if you or your children are in need of any additional support or advice with their emotional and mental health and well-being, please contact us via email [admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk) or through your child's class teacher.

Wishing you a lovely half term, we look forward to beginning the **next half term on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.**

Best wishes,

**Gillian Pyle**  
**Head of School**

*"Learning to live life in all its fullness"*