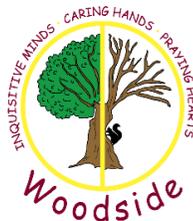


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Issue 3

Message from Public Health England

Thank you to all parents who are now wearing face coverings when dropping off and collecting children from school and Woodpeckers and keeping a 2m distance as you line up and wait for your child. I am really pleased to see almost everyone adhering to these guidelines and keeping the children at Woodside safe.

Information shared by Public Health England this week shows an increase in the number of positive cases in Warwickshire schools, so it is vital that everyone follows the current guidance. I know we are all very fed up with Covid-19, the "new normal" and ever changing rules but I am sure that we all want to avoid another national lockdown if at all possible and protect our loved ones. Please remember:

<u>HANDS</u>	wash thoroughly and frequently
<u>FACE</u>	cover your face, in shops and near schools
<u>SPACE</u>	keep at least two meters away from anyone not in your family home

Keep alert, be vigilant and don't become complacent

Covid-19

As we continue through these uncertain times could I please ask the following:

1. If your child has any symptoms (a new, continuous cough, high temperature, change/loss to smell or taste), please do not send them to school. Ring 119 or go online to book a test—wherever possible, go to a test centre as you will receive the results much quicker.
2. If you are unable to do this, I do have a small number of postal test kits in school. If you are using a postal kits, please ensure that you post it in a "priority" letter box as this will speed up the turnaround time. Local "priority" post boxes are Baddesley Ensor Post Office—4.30pm and Grendon Post Office—4.15pm
3. If your child's class has to self-isolate due to a positive case, it is really important that your child stays inside the home and self isolates for the full 14 days to avoid any possibility of passing the virus on. This applies even if they are tested and receive a negative result.. Please note children should only be tested if they have symptoms.

Head Boy and Head Girl

I am pleased to announce that the Senior Leadership Team has appointed Kieran as Head Boy and Isla as Head Girl. These roles enhance the school and enable the children involved to take on the role of being ambassadors for Woodside School. Congratulations to both; I know they will do a fantastic job!

Nasal Flu Immunisation

The Immunisation team will be visiting Woodside on 4th November to give the nasal flu vaccine to children. Please complete the online consent form by 11.59pm on 22nd October. Children will be unable to have the vaccine without parental consent,

The consent forms were emailed to all parents on 8th October.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Samaritans Purse

This year we will be taking part in the Samaritans Purse "Operation Christmas Child" project. If your child would like to send a shoe box containing small gifts for a child less fortunate than themselves, please contact the school office and we will send a leaflet and a box home with your child.

Thank you!

Thank you all so much for your generous donations in lieu of harvest gifts.

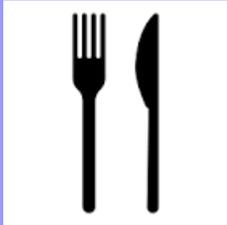
We collected £136 for St Giles Hospice.

Uniform Supplier

As you are aware, Clothing4, our uniform supplier has ceased trading. We are currently working to find an alternative supplier and should be in a position to give you more information towards the end of next week.

In the meantime, we do have a small selection of used sweatshirts and cardigans that you are more than welcome to. Please call the office and we will do our best to help.

Knife & Fork Challenge



The Covid-19 restrictions are proving it to be quite tricky to get all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children through the hall at lunchtime.

Please could you help us by teaching your child how to use a knife and fork independently—as there is only one midday supervisor in the hall, helping to cut up 30 dinners can take a long time!

If your child can do this for themselves, it will speed things up considerably and the children will get more time to play outside. I am currently handing out stickers to children who are trying hard to cut up their own dinners!

Remote Learning

We do not expect parents to have to purchase printers and scanners to use Google Classroom

The work set, if it is a worksheet, will wherever possible be a Word or Google Docs document so that children can type their responses directly on to it. However some documents will inevitably be PDF documents which can't be altered. In this case the intention is that children write the answers directly into their homework books or on paper.

Reminder

Please take extra care when collecting and dropping children off at school; there was a near miss this week when a car almost hit a child..

With so many people around the school gates, please be vigilant and take your time—children's safety is of paramount importance.

Harvest Celebrations

Glynis Gayton and John Moore visited school this week and lead a collective worship Harvest celebration with Year 3. All children and staff were treated to delicious bread rolls by Glynis and Gaytons Bakery.



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Year 6 Science Experiment



Year 6 pupils have been investigating light and have carried out an experiment looking at how shadows change with distance.