



# Woodfield News



Friday 7th December 2018

Dear Parents,

Christmas has definitely arrived at Woodfield. It was lovely walking into school on Monday to see all the decorations that the staff and children had made last Friday. This week we have been busy practising our Christmas Production. Tickets are flying out, if you still need to get yours please contact the office ASAP!

Parents in Year 3 should have received a letter today about staffing changes for the new term. Miss Rollason will be leaving Woodfield at the end of term, due to personal circumstances. We are delighted to welcome Miss Extence from Mount Wise who will take up the role as Year 3 teachers after the holidays.

Homework has been an ongoing discussion, both with parents and staff over the last term. Over the past couple of months we have considered a range of different models. We believe that homework should be an extension of the child's learning, but not be an additional burden for parents. As a school, we place a lot of importance on reading and times tables—daily practice of these skills will provide your children with the basics that they need to access their learning. In addition, next term, we will be introducing whole school Oracy and Values tasks that will link to what the children are learning in school.

We look forward to seeing you for the performances next week! Have a lovely weekend,

Ciara Moran  
Executive Headteacher

## Parents at Woodfield

We have had a fantastic week this week with so many parents taking part in various activities within the school! Parents took part in Christmas Crafts during our extended Learning Together session and made some wonderful Christmas decorations and other parents joined in the fun during the last session of Run Fit afterschool club. It is amazing to see so many parents joining in and having so much fun with their children.



Thank you!



## Value Champions



Due to Christmas Performance rehearsals there are no Value Champions this week but the school have all been demonstrating this month's value of peace whenever they can which is brilliant!



## Reading Champions



**Year 1** - Silver - Kacey & Taylor    Gold - Summer & Kyle  
**Year 2** - Silver - Harlie, Ollie & Lola  
**Year 3** - Bronze - Aland & Elliott    Silver - Emily    Gold - Layla  
**Year 4** - Silver - Layla P  
**Year 5** - Silver - Barbara    Gold  
**Year 6** - Emerald - Madison P

11th Dec	Nursery Christmas Performances 10.45am & 2.15pm
12th Dec	Christmas Performances 10am, 2pm, 6pm
14th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
20th Dec	Children's Christmas Dinner
21st December	Last day of school
8th January 2019	First day back to school

**Sport Relief**



Back in March, you all very kindly made donations for Sport Relief. We have now been informed that you raised a fantastic £151.81!! Thank you to everyone, you all help make a difference!

**December's Value**

At the start of a new month we begin to focus on a new value. For December we will be thinking about peace. When we discuss this with the children in school we will be considering how they can become more peaceful themselves and help to create a more peaceful community around them.



“Peace begins with a smile.”  
Mother Teresa

**Mufti Day at Woodfield**



Everyone looked amazing today for Mufti! And thank you for all of your donations so far - this picture shows only half of it and we appreciate it so much.



**Children's Christmas Lunch**



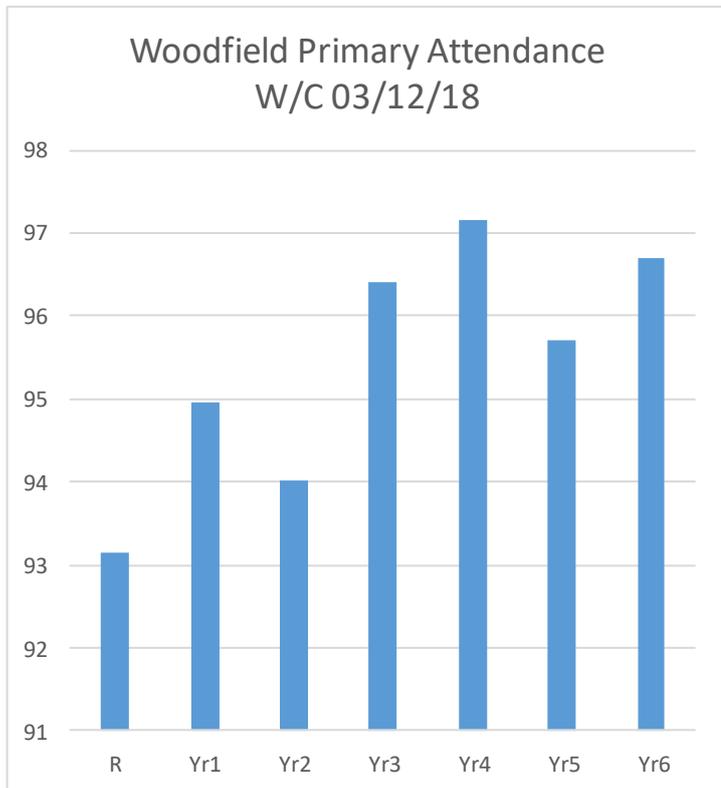
On Thursday 20th December the kitchen will be cooking Christmas lunch for the children. The cost will be the normal price of £2.20. The menu will be displayed on the main door into school when it has been confirmed by catering.

**Starting Primary School**

**September 2019**



If your child is due to start school in September 2019 you will need to complete the "Starting School 2018/2019" booklet. Parents can apply from 05th November 2018, the deadline for applying is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019. The council would like parents to apply on line at [www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions). If you require help in completing the application please feel free to contact the school office.



**After school clubs**

This week was the last week of clubs. Thank you to everyone who took part in all of our clubs & we hope you enjoyed them!

**Christmas at Woodfield**

Christmas Grotto tickets are still available to be brought from the office. The tickets are priced at £1.50 each and will include a small gift from Santa and a photograph which will be sent home on the last day of term.

**Our Target is: 97%**      **Whole Year to date: 95.28%**

**Last Week: 93.62%**      **Last week's best attending class: Year 4 97.15% - well done!**