



NEWSLETTER – Monday 19th September 2016

After School Activity Clubs

Don't forget to go online to book After School Activity Clubs for Year Groups 1-6.

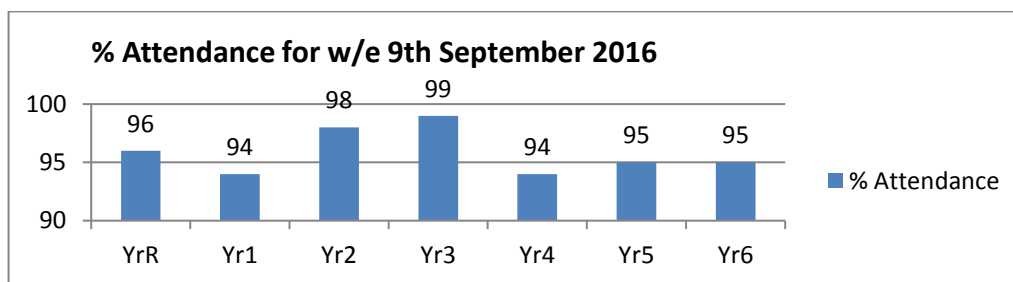
Attendance

The school is updating its Attendance Policy in line with current Borough and Government guidelines. To help us improve the schools attendance we now have an Education Welfare Officer, Marilyn Dennis, from the Borough who will be visiting weekly to discuss pupils with poor attendance and help us to improve this. We will introduce the new school policy very soon.

In the meantime you should remember that if your child is absent from school, you must call the school office on the first morning they are off. You must call every day your child is off school and explain fully what is wrong with your child or any other reason why they are not present. If we do not hear from you by the time the registers are closing we will start telephoning to find out why. All children have to be accounted for each day at school to ensure there are no child protection issues. If we are unable to contact you we may have no option but to report to the child protection department at Waltham Forest that a child is missing/unaccounted for.

Please ensure that if your child is off school for more than 2 days you must supply evidence for their absence.

Appointments for medical/dental treatment should be made for outside school hours, if possible, and evidence of the appointment must be shown/given to the school office.



Asthma

Please do not forget to send in the reply slips saying whether your child has Asthma or a requirement to have an inhaler at school. Please ensure you return the slips to the office even if your child does not have asthma. **If your child does have asthma you will need to complete an Asthma Plan – copies available in reception.**

For those parents that have already returned their child's Asthma plans, thank you, if you mentioned in the plan a spacer please ensure you have left a spacer at school with the pump. Some have also mentioned peak flow so again if we need to test using this then please send one into school. Thanks.

School Dinner Money

All parents need to ensure that their dinner money payments are paid each Monday for the week or you can pay for the half term in advance if you wish. Failure to keep up to date with weekly payments will result in your child having to bring packed lunches. A reminder that the cost of school dinners is now £2.16 per dinner.

Upcoming Events

Jeans for Genes day is this coming Friday 23rd September. In exchange for wearing Jeans to school that day each child should bring in £1 to raise money for this worthy cause. Your child can also wear a top of their own choice with their Jeans.

Macmillan Coffee Morning will be on 30th September – info later in newsletter.



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Well done to our
Stars of the Week



Other Items

- We would like to say a big thank you – to our local Costa Coffee branch who have donated some lovely books to the school. It is great to get support from local businesses so we are really pleased. Thank you to Costa and their branch manager, Yaasmeen Belaid.
- Many parents may know Mr Richard Moules who has been associated with our school for 17 years both as a member of the Governing Body and as a classroom volunteer. Mr Moules is retiring from school work and we are taking a collection to buy him a commemorative gift to thank him for his long and dedicated service.

If you would like to donate to this fund please see Mrs Amos and leave your contribution before Friday 30th September. Thank you.

- If any parents/carers have any empty egg boxes – can you send them in for modelling. Thanks.

General issues (from last week's newsletter)

Roof works

Work on our new school roof is coming along well and we are on schedule to be finished by the end of November, as planned. Regular checks are continuing and the onsite manager meets daily with the school to discuss progress. Thank you for your continued understanding and patience.

Changes in contact details

If you have changed any details over the summer break you must pop along to the office and let us know. Particularly any mobile phone number updates or email addresses.

Medical Policy

Our new updated Medical Policy has been issued. This update was required to bring us in line with current Government and Borough guidelines.



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Nut Free School

Just a reminder to existing parents and to inform new pupils – we are a nut free school. No nuts or products containing nuts or traces of nuts is permitted in school as we have several children with severe nut allergies.

Birthdays at School

Just a reminder that if it is your child's birthday and you are thinking of bringing sweets or cakes to school please do not. We do not allow cakes/sweets to be brought it because of nut allergies and dietary requirements of some students.

Pupil Mobile Phones

Children are permitted, if parents wish, to bring in a mobile phone for contact purposes, especially if they are allowed to walk home on their own. The phones should be switched off once a child is on the school premises and handed to the teacher for safekeeping during the day. Phones will be returned at the end of each day.

School Website

We are currently having problems with the School website and we are working hard to resolve this issue. If you need to see anything that would normally be available on the school website please call into reception who will be able to help you.

Scooters and bikes in the Playground

Children are very welcome to arrive at school, supervised, on their scooters and bicycles and store them in the provided bike shed at the back of the playground. However, may we remind you that children must not ride these on the playground itself. Please take care on these on the way home and be mindful of others and the roads around. Thank you.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 30th September, 9.15-10.15am

Woodford Green Primary School will be holding a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 30th September to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

To make this event a success, we would appreciate it if you could make or donate cakes to sell. There will be an after school cake sale for any cakes left over for the children to buy.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

How your donation can help...

Your support could ensure that our nurses are able to spend more time with the people who need them most. We know how important specialist care is when you're living with cancer. Our Macmillan nurses are trained to provide the best cancer care possible and your donation will help us to make sure everyone gets the help they need.

Your donation could help give our nurses more:

- ☆ **Time to give medical help:** You could ensure a Macmillan chemotherapy nurse can give vital treatment to one more cancer patient.
- ☆ **Time to give practical help:** You could ensure a Macmillan nurse can help more people living with cancer to get the equipment and support they need to stay living in their own home.
- ☆ **Time to give emotional help:** You could ensure a Macmillan nurse can talk to one more wife or husband to help them come to terms with what's happening to the person they love.



Thank you for your support!



**'LAUGHING,
YUMMY CUPCAKES,
GETTING TOGETHER...
AND HELPING FAMILIES
AFFECTED BY CANCER.'**



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Carle Nursery Class & Wordsworth Class News



Nursery and Reception Classes have had a great start to their year with lots of activities, play, singing, dancing and learning!

Nursery Notice Board

Please keep your eye on the Nursery notice board for any important information or events, which will be useful for you to know this year (It's just outside the nursery door on the left)

Spare Clothes

Thank you to those parents who have donated spare clothes, in case of any unexpected accidents. If anyone else has any spare, these would be gratefully accepted. Thank you.

Hot Weather

September had some unexpected hot weather this year! If the forecast is sunny, please ensure you apply suncream to your child in the morning and send them in with a sun hat or cap. We provide the children with drinks and water throughout the day so there is no need to provide a water bottle.

Reception and Nursery, please do **NOT** send in water bottles.

Junk Modelling

We love making things in Nursery and Reception Classes. We are always grateful for junk modelling