

Woden Primary Schoo Newsletter Welcome back! I hope that you all had a good holiday and were able to spend time with family and friends. This half term, although relatively short, promises to be a busy one with hopefully the chance to spend more time outside as the days get longer and hopefully warmer! Please look out for details of trips and activities which have been organised for your child(ren) over the coming weeks.

### Mrs S Walmsley - Headteacher

**News and Information** 

#### World Book Day

World Book Day this week was a fantastic celebration of reading for pleasure and children looked amazing dressed up as their favourite book character. All children were provided with a world book day voucher which can be used to purchase books in a wide range of shops locally, including Asda. Our home learning page on the school website has a number of activities and information to support your child's reading at home.

#### **Comic Relief Day**

On <u>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March</u> we will be supporting the Comic Relief charity. Children are invited to dress up in something red in return for a £1 donation per family. *Please note that if you do intend to buy a red nose for your child(ren) that the newly designed red noses are not suitable for children under the age of 7 years due to small parts.* All donations should be made via Pay360. Please see our school Dojo message or letter from Mrs Jones for further details.

#### **After School Clubs**

Clubs run by teaching staff will end for this term on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. Details of clubs being run in summer term will be sent out at the start of next term. There will be no teacher-led after school clubs on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March due to national teacher strikes.

#### **Bicycles and Scooters in school**

Many children are now bringing bicycles or scooters into school which is lovely to see, however we would like to remind you that these are left at the owner's risk. Please provide your child with a suitable padlock to ensure they are safe from any possible theft.

#### **School Uniform Donations**

We know children grow very quickly and uniform is often still in excellent condition when they have outgrown it. If you have any Woden uniform you no longer need, could we ask that you donate this to school to support other families in need please. Any donations, please ensure are washed and brought to the school office. Thank you so much.

#### **Pre-loved School Uniform**

Thanks to donations of pre-loved uniform already made to school, these are now available to all parents in the office area. Please feel free to help yourselves to whatever you may need. Should you require an item not on the rack, please ask at the office to see if we have what you need.

#### Before & After School Club

Before School Club can be booked through Pay360 and runs from **8am**. We have recently had children dropped at the school gates without a place booked and for their safety, we request that parents escort children to the Hub and hand over to supervising staff.

The school gate is opened for children to enter at **8.40am** - children must be supervised if they arrive earlier as staff are not available before this time.

After-School Club can be booked through Pay360 if needed and runs until **4.30pm**. If your child is not collected by 3.30pm, and the office have not been informed of a reason, they will be placed in this club and you will be charged £3.50 for the session.

If you have not pre-booked, you <u>MUST NOT</u> send your child as spaces are limited.

If your child is being collected from someone other than a parent, please ensure the office is

#### Class Dojo

Please be aware that since teachers are with their classes during the school day, they are not able to read any messages sent between 8.30 and 3.10pm. If you have an urgent message or concern, please contact the school office.

## Woden Attendance

Please ensure your child attends school regularly unless ill. In order for an absence to be authorised, we must have evidence such as an appointment card or medication to support this.

The Government's attendance target is still at least 96%. Please contact our school Attendance Lead if you require any further information.

Any absences must be reported to the school office. (Tel: 01902 558880)

Attendance for last week across school was as follows:

Year 1	94%	Year 4 93%
Year 2	95%	Year 5 95%
Year 3	93%	Year 6 95

Overall attendance in school was 94%.

Well done to Classes 5 (96%) and 11 (95%) for winning the attendance award this week!

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR SPRING TERM**

## Term: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Saxon/Viking historical workshop Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief Day Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 Greek Day in school Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 STEM Day at RAF Cosford Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Year 5 Drama Workshop at Heath Park Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Year 1 visit to Ash End House Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery am visit to Hoo Farm Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery pm visit to Hoo Farm

# End of Spring term: Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March INSET DAY: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April

## Children return to school for Summer term on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April

\*Please note, school is no longer being used as a Polling Station and so will remain open to all children on voting days in future.



