20th October 2023 It's been another busy couple of weeks and we have seen many children out on school trips, which they have all enjoyed very much. As always, our pupils have represented our school wonderfully and we are very proud of them. We break up on Wednesday 25th October next week ready for a well-deserved Half Term break. We wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable time with your families and look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday 6th November.

Mrs. 5 Walmsley

Headteacher

News and Information

Trips and Special Days

We have had many school trips taking place during the last couple of weeks. Year 2 have been exploring Wolverhampton City Centre and have been our first passengers in the brand-new Woden minibus. Year 4 visited Woodland Farm as part of a Country Classroom day; Year 5 visited Weston Park as part of their WW2 topic and Year 6 visited the Motor Museum as part of their Science topic. Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic Stone Age workshop in school, which really brought their History topic to life. A big thank you to all of the staff who organised and participated in these memorable days.

Last Friday, we brought the sunshine into school (despite the very grey skies outside) as we all came dressed in yellow clothing to mark 'Hello Yellow Day'. During the day, pupils explored activities to support their own mental health and well-being and all took part in a live launch assembly aimed at learning how to become Mental Health Champions. Thanks to your kindness and generosity, we raised £153.92 for the 'Young Minds' charity.

Harvest

A big thank you to Mrs. Hawkins and the staff and children in Year 4 for leading our Harvest assembly this week. The children spoke their words beautifully and really taught us to be grateful for farmers and the food we eat. Well done, everyone.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended our Parents' Evenings this week or who made appointments to speak to Class Teachers by phone. We really value your support and commitment to your child's learning in school as well as at home.

School Uniform and PE kit

Thank you to everyone who is wearing the correct school uniform and PE kit, you all look very smart. Our School Uniform consists of: Navy blue jumper or cardigan, with or without the Woden logo; plain white shirt/blouse/polo shirt; black/grey trousers or black/grey skirt; black school shoes.

Our PE kit consists of: Navy blue jumper; white t-shirt; navy blue jogging bottoms; trainers.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform and PE kit every day for school.

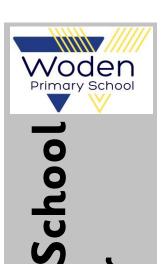
School Car Park

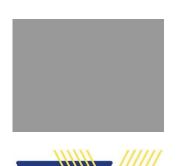
A reminder that the car park is for staff use only and for the safety of our children, **parents should not** drive onto the school car park when dropping children off at breakfast club or collecting children after school. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

New playground markings

Our playground is looking very different this week and there is a real sense of excitement amongst the children. Take a look at our brand-new playground markings and you can see why everyone is eager to get outside to play.

Woden Primary School







School Age Flu Vaccination Programme & Winter Health

Please use the link below to an electronic consent form, which must be completed no later than 5 days before our school vaccination day which is <u>Thursday 9th November</u>. The consent form is available via this link:

https://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/wolverhampton. Paper consent forms and information in alternative formats are available by request. You can contact Vaccination UK to request this by telephone: 01902 200077 or email: wolverhampton@v-uk.co.uk

Congratulations

During our Half Term break, Miss Crump will be getting married and will be returning to school as Mrs. Mason. We would like to share our congratulations and wish the new Mr and Mrs Mason a very happy wedding day and future life together.

Woden Attendance

Please ensure your child attends school regularly unless they are ill. The Government's attendance target is still at least 96%. Please contact our school Attendance Officer if you require any further information.

Any absences <u>must</u> be reported to the <u>school office</u>. (Tel: 01902 558880). If your child has been sick, they must remain absent from school for 48 hours.

Attendance for last week across school was as follows:

 Year 1
 94.6%
 Year 4
 96.9%

 Year 2
 94.7%
 Year 5
 96.6%

 Year 3
 97.0%
 Year 6
 97.4%

Our overall attendance in school was 96%.

Well done to these classes for winning the attendance award this week:

KS1 – Class 6 (96.7%) **KS2** – Class 10 (99.3%)

IMPORTANT DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM

■ END OF HALF TERM: Wednesday 25th October

INSET DAYS: Thursday 26th October & Friday 27th October

HALF TERM: Monday 30th October-Friday 3rd November

RETURN TO SCHOOL: Monday 6th November

- Monday 6th November Diwali Day (wear traditional or party clothes)
- Thursday 9th November Flu vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)
- Friday 10th November Year 2 Great Fire of London workshop (in school)
- Tuesday 14th November KS2 Anti-bullying workshop (in school)
- Friday 17th November Class VR for Parents workshop (more details to follow)
- Wednesday 22nd November Y4 Fire Safety workshop (in school)
- END OF AUTUMN TERM: Friday 22nd December School will close at 1.15pm