

12th January
2024



Woden Primary School Newsletter

A very Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to the start of our Spring Term. I hope you all had a relaxing and restful Christmas holiday and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. We have a very short Spring Term and there is lots of learning to pack in so we are delighted to see the children back in school ready, willing and able to learn to their very best. Please take a look at the key dates as the weeks are already looking very busy. As always, we thank you for your continued support with your child at home and with us in school.

Mrs. S Walmsley

Headteacher

News and Information

Playground

We were absolutely delighted to welcome Jane Stevenson MP, Mr. Selkirk (CLPT CEO) and Mrs. Holloway (CLPT Deputy CEO) to Woden today to officially open our newly renovated playground. Over the past few months, we have replaced the adventure playground area and have installed new features, such as Energy Walls and playground markings, for all of the children to enjoy. Given the smiles and sounds of laughter, we can see the children really do enjoy their playground space.

Clubs

All clubs have now started. A big thank you to all of our staff for running such a wide range of clubs for the children to enjoy. All clubs finish at 4pm and we ask that children are collected promptly, please.

Swimming

Swimming lessons for pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 will start again next week. These lessons are part of the National Curriculum and pupils are required to attend unless they have a medical reason not to. Please inform Class Teachers, via Dojo, if your child is unable to attend their swimming lesson.

Late collection of children

Please be reminded that our school day finishes at 3.10pm and we ask that children are collected promptly. Any children not collected by 3.20pm will be taken to the Hub for collection from there. As of **Monday 15th January**, any children not collected by 3.30pm will be added to the After-School Club register and a fee of £3.50 per day will be charged.

Reception places for September 2023

Please be aware that you can now apply for your child to join Reception next year if they were born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020. School applications must be made by 15 January 2024. You can apply via The City of Wolverhampton Parents Portal at <https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions/school-admissions-applications>

Contact Numbers

It is vital, and a legal requirement, to ensure school has TWO working contact numbers. Please contact the office if your contact numbers need to be updated.



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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 the last week of Autumn Term across school was as follows:

Year 1	93.5%	Year 4	96.5%
Year 2	92.5%	Year 5	95%
Year 3	89.5%	Year 6	93.5%

Our overall attendance in school was 93%.

Well done to these classes for winning the attendance award for the last week as well as the overall attendance for the whole of Autumn Term:

KS1 – Class 6 (95.8%) **KS2** – Class 10 (98%)

IMPORTANT DATES FOR SPRING TERM

END OF TERM: Friday 22nd March

Friday 19th January – Y1 trip to Bantock House

Monday 22nd / Tuesday 23rd January – Y6 Health Checks with School Nurses

Thursday 25th January – Rec/Y1 Dental Nurse visit (in school)

Monday 29th January – Y5 Anglo Saxon Day (in school)

Monday 5th February – Internet Safety Day workshops in school

Monday 5th February – Y4 Writer's Day

Friday 23rd February – Y3 Art Gallery visit

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day (more details to follow)

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief Day (more details to follow)

INSET DAY: Monday 8th April

Parents' Evenings*

Monday 5th February – Reception, Year 1 and Year 5

Tuesday 6th February – Year 2 and Year 6

Wednesday 7th February – Year 3 and Year 4

**Further details about Parents' Evenings will be sent by letter closer to the time.*