WOODLEA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Woodlea Word

Autumn Term – Issue 8

6th November 2026

"When we show respect, we make our school a place where everyone feels safe, valued and ready to learn."

The children have been working hard this week and our Reception class in particular have settled really well back into school routines. We had a perspective parent tour on Thursday and as always they were very complimentary of the Year 6 pupils who showed them around and also how calm the children were in the classes. It is always lovely when visitors see what a lovely school Woodlea is.

However, as you know, we want the children to be demonstrating our values not just during learning time but also showing respect around the school to their peers, adults and the environment. We have been reinforcing our expectations about how we line up and walk around the school; expectations around game play; kindness towards each other and behaviour in the toilets. We hope to see all pupils rise to the expectations and know you will support us in reinforcing these expectations.

Christmas is coming and so is OUR Christmas Card Competition!

This is the sixth year of our exciting competition to design the front cover of the annual Trust Christmas card. We are looking for a creative Christmas-themed design which uses the Trust's colours and a Christmas gold colour.

The picture needs to be:

- Attractive and colourful using the purple, green and gold colours on this poster
- A4 portrait size (297mm high x 210mm wide) or square (210mm x 210mm)
- Drawn and coloured in using felt tip pens, or painted - *no glitter as it does not replicate well*
- Christmas-themed

Mr Gambier will pick five finalists whose designs will go to Tandridge Learning Trust, who will pick one overall winning design. The prize for the overall winner is a set of 40 glitter gel pens with 40 refills. The winning design will be used for this year's Tandridge Learning Trust Christmas card which will be put in our newsletters and on our website. We may also include designs from the other four finalists.

Entries must be handed in to the school office by Monday 23rd November 2026.

School Uniform

Our current school uniform supplier can be found here.

https://myclothing.com

Please check with your class rep if you require second hand uniform.



Weekly Attendance

Lambs :98.8% Y1 : 95.9%

Y3:98.3% Y4 : 96.6%

Y5 91.7%: Y6: 94.1%

Winners : Y2 : 99.3%

Please remember school attendance is mandatory.

Holidays should be planned for school holiday times to avoid missing school time.

If your child is absent, you must notify the school office every day before 9:10am at the latest.

Events Calendar

Please see below for all upcoming events and how to book. Please refer to the original email for full details of events. New events are listed in red

Date	Event	Details
09.11.2026	Parents Evening (Early)	Please refer to email send on 6th October
11.11.2026	Parents Evening (Late)	Please refer to email send on 6th October
12.11.2026	Open Morning	9.30am for Reception 2027 prospective parent. Contact the office to book.
12.11.2026	PTA Autumn Event	Further details to follow
13.11.2026	Year 4 – Saxon Day	Please refer to email sent and payment and consent to be made on Arbor
19.11.2026	Year 3 – Busters Farm	Please see email and sign up via Arbor.
19.11.2026	Flu Vaccinations	Please see letter sent via email on the 6th October
19.11.2026	Lambs & Year 6 Heights & Weights Check	Lambs & Year 6 only – please see letter sent via email on the 6th October.
21.11.2026	Cross Country – Oasis Academy	Years 3 – 6 Please refer to email sent and sign up via Arbor
23.11.2026	Year 4 – Woldingham Walk	Please refer to email sent
23.11.2026	Christmas Card Competition	Tandridge Learning Trust Christmas Card Competition entries due
26.11.2026	Open Morning	9.30am for Reception 2027 prospective parent. Contact the office to book.
30.11.2026	Year 4 – Caterham Visit	Further details to follow
04.12.2026	Christmas Fair	Save the Date – 3.30pm – 7.30pm
05.12.2026	Carols in the Church	Choir. Arrive at the church at 5.50pm. Performance starts at 6pm.
08.12.2026	Infant Production – Dress Rehearsal 2pm	Year 1 & 2Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October.
09.12.2026	Infant Production	Year 1 & 2 Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
11.12.2026	Lambs Carol Concert	Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
14.12.2026	Infant Christmas Party – Lambs, Year 1 & 2	Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
14.12.2026	Rock steady concert	9.15am - Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
15.12.2026	Junior Carol Concert – 2pm (Year 3 – 6)	Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
16.12.2026	Junor Carol Concert – 7pm (Year3 - 6)	Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
17.12.2026	Junior Christmas Party (Year 3 -6)	Please see Christmas Flyer sent via email on the 12th October
18.12.2026	Last day of term	Finish 2pm. No Brambles on this day

Head Teachers Awards – Curiousity

Year 1 – Marguerite W Year 2 – Rafe B , Year 3 – Sianna SP,

Year 4 – Isaac C, Year 5 – Jack N , Year 6 – Rayan T

Weekly Communication

Year 1 – Reading
Year 1 – 6 – Flu Vaccinations
All – Christmas Card Orders
Year 3 – Guided Reading
Year 1 – 6 – Clubs
Year 4 – Geography Walk
Year 5 – PGL 2027
Year – Spelling Homework
All - Reminder parent consultations

Universal Credit

Did you know that the school receives extra funding for every child that is entitled to universal credit?
If you are entitled to universal credit, please do make sure that you come and make us aware in the school office. This means that we can access more funding for the school and for your child. To check eligibility, click the link below

Free School Meal Eligibility Checker

Lunches

Week 1– Autumn Menu

Please update Arbor every day, even if your child has packed lunches



Menus are available on – Autumn 26
Woodlea School Website

Unfortunately, the 'pick for all future dates' option was removed by Arbor during an update and we have been told by them that 'new features in the meal section wouldn't support this.'. We have raised this as an issue with Arbor as we know that this made ordering lunches in advance so much easier for parents. We hope to hear back from Arbor very soon regarding this important feature.

Arbor Checklists:

- Check all meal payments are up to date:
  Arbor – Payment
- Check all trip payments are up to date.
- Add any emergency contacts for your child.

For any how to guides please click here .

Please remember for there is a 48-hour deadline for booking lunches.

Arbor

Absences, medical appointments & sickness

If your child is absent from school or has a medical appointment, please email info@woodleatlt.co.uk or leave a message on the absence line (01883 652358 option 1) before 9.10am. Please let us know their full name, class and reason; including any symptoms they may be displaying. We do need to hear from an adult each day a child is absent for safeguarding reasons. Please do not bring your child to school if they have been sick during the night. If your child has been sick or has an upset stomach, children should be off school for 48 hours following the last episode.

To avoid impacting your child's attendance ALL medical/dental/optician appointments should be booked outside of school hours where possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

Leave of Absence

As a school we are only able to grant a leave of absence, during term time, for exceptional circumstances. If you intend to take a leave of absence for your child, please collect a 'Leave of Absence' form from the school office and return the completed form for Mrs Gambier's consideration. Please note that the form should be given to the office prior to the period of absence.

Amazon Wish Lists

Year 6
Year 5
Year 4
Year 3
Year 2
Year 1
Lambs
Outdoor Learning
SENDCO Items