

5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## **Dates for the Diary**

#### - January -

Bags of Hope Collection 09.01.24 Year 5&6 Young Voices 17.01.24 Census Day 18.01.24 Year 6 Imperial War Museum Trip 29.01.24

## - February -

Year 6 - SATs Meeting 01.02.24 Year 5 The Old Operating Theatre Trip 05.02.24

> Year 3 Roman Day 09.02.24 Half Term 12.02.24 – 16.02.24

- March -World Book Day 07.03.24

Year 3 Trip to Butsers Ancient Farm 11.03.24

Last Day of Term 28.03.24 Easter Holidays 29.03.24 12.04.24 INSET DAY 15.04.24

Summer Term Begins 16.04.24

Please note that all upcoming events are also on the Woodlea School Website

#### OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

All School – Welcome Back
Lambs – PE Day – Fridays
Year 6 – Bottles
Year 6 – SATs Meeting – Thursday 1st
February
Year 5 – Class Information
Year 6 – SATs preparation early start
Years 1-6 Spring Term Clubs
Year 3 – PE Days
Year 4 – Change of PE Days

#### **MENU**

Week 3 – Autumn/Winter 2023/24 The menus are available on Woodlea School Website

# **Woodlea Word**

## **Happy New Year**

Thank you to all the children for coming back to school so positively following the Christmas break. It was lovely to see the children's smiley faces on Thursday morning. I know this time of year can be so different for each of us depending on our circumstances, but we are lucky to be part of a supportive and caring community.

I wanted to take a moment, on behalf of myself and the staff, to thank all the parents, carers and children for their lovely cards and gifts. Us teachers never expect anything but feel honoured by the generosity.

**Staff News:** It is always sad when a member of the school team leaves us. Miss Crowfoot was a huge support during my first year as Headteacher and I know that many of our children and parents valued the support she gave in her role as class teacher or the school's SENDCo. She was always very professional and passionate about wanting the best for the children she taught. However, teaching is a demanding role and Miss Crowfoot felt that after over 25 years in teaching that it was time for a change to balance life and work, giving her more time with her family.

We will miss Miss Crowfoot and it seems odd her not being here, but we welcome Miss Rice to the team. As we end the week, it seems that Miss Rice has always been here. She is getting to the know the children and is looking forward to meeting all the Year 3 families over the next few weeks. In her role as SENDCo, Miss Rice will be communicating with and arranging a time to meet all of our families with children with SEND over this half term. She will be communicating with those families directly so please look out for her communication.

**Spring Term Clubs:** These will be released on Arbor on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30am and close on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 3.00pm.

Please note that there are limited spaces. If you are unable to book it is likely that the club is full. Clubs will commence the week commencing 15th January until week commending 18th March (excluding half term).

The teacher run clubs this term will be:

Fencing – Years 3 to 6 – on Tuesdays Lego Club – Years 1&2 – on Tuesdays Cross Country – Years 3 to 6 on Tuesdays – this will begin after half term

Art Club – Years 1&2 – Wednesdays

Netball Club – Year 5&6 – Thursdays

All clubs run until 4.15pm.



## **Weekly Attendance**

YR: 93.2% Y1: 96.7% Y2: 96.6% Y3: 91.4% Y5: 80%

## Winners

Year 4 & 6: 100%

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.

## **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.



Outdoor Area: Calling all parents who have a love and passion for the outdoors! This is Mr Cole here asking for volunteers to become part of an Outdoor Development Working Party (ODWP). I am looking for parents who are graciously willing to give up some of their precious time to support me with the development of our Outdoor space. We have kindly received some money from the Parish Council which will allow us to develop our lovely outdoor space even further. This will allow the children to have a dedicated outdoor learning space equipped for, not only enriching the curriculum, but to allow for children to develop their outdoor skills. I am looking for a group of enthusiastic parents who will assist me with creating this vision. From the many years of being here, I know we have such a talented and skilful set of parents at Woodlea so I know that we can truly make this a special resource for our children and for generations to come. If you are interested and willing to help, please notify the office within the next week and I'll get back to you next Friday to set up our first meeting. I can't wait to get this project up and running and look forward to hearing from you.

## **REMINDER:**

## Reception places for September 2024:

This is just a reminder that the final date that you can apply for a Reception place in September 2024 is **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January**. You can apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or call them on 0300 200 1004.

## Census Day Menu – Thursday 18th January:

Please find attached the Census Day menu.

## **St Pauls Church:**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January – 11.30am – Footsteps Service – The service will be looking at the Wise Men visiting the baby Jesus – all are welcome.