



Woodbury C of E
Primary School

Newsletter

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VALUE Our value focus for this half term is **Respect**

*Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else'.
Thessalonians 5:15*

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely spending time in classes this week, enjoying some time in forest school and chatting to the children about their learning.

Reminder COVID Procedure Information

- It is the time of year for colds and other virus/infections to start developing. If your child is unwell please keep them at home until any acute symptoms resolve (+24 hours for a fever), 48 hours after sickness or diarrhoea episode. If your child will not be in school please ring the school office by 9.00am to report their absence, this needs to be done on the first day of your child's absence.
- **If** these symptoms develop into cough, temperature, changes to taste and smell, your child should isolate and take a PCR test.
- **If they** test negative to COVID-19, they will still need to remain at home until at least 24 hours fever free and acute symptoms are resolved.
- If a member of your child's household tests positive for COVID, please can you book your child a PCR test asap and inform the school office.
- If your child tests positive for COVID using a PCR test they will need to self-isolate for a period of 10 days. Please notify the school by phone if this is the case.
- If a child in school or a member of staff tests positive for COVID, we will no longer be required to send close contacts home for a period of self-isolation or to engage in remote learning. Instead, close contacts will be contacted by NHS Track and Trace and informed that they should seek a PCR test. Whilst waiting for the results of a PCR test, no self-isolation will be required. If the PCR test returns a positive result, a period of self-isolation of 10 days would then commence for that person.
- Schools are no longer expected to form part of the track and trace process but we will send out a 'Warn and Inform' letter should your child come into close contact with a positive case at school. The Government expects all children to continue attending school as normal unless they test positive for COVID.

Updates/Reminders

Forest School Willow and Oak Class – Wednesday please come to school suitably dressed and with a change of footwear.

Woodbury School's Facebook Page – <https://www.facebook.com/Woodbury-C-of-E-Primary-School-102568645045711/>

Parking - please be mindful of local residents when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Child Assault Prevention
27th Sept – 8th Oct

Moths to a Flame Project
Friday Oct 1st - **Please bring in plastic milk bottles**

Y6 Residential – 5th – 8th Oct
Census Day
Thursday Oct 7th

Individual Photo's
Monday 11th Oct AM

Dates:
Autumn Term 1
Sept 8th – Oct 22nd
Half term
Oct 25th – Oct 29th
Autumn Term 2
Nov 1st - Dec 17th
Spring Term 1
Jan 5th – Feb 18th

We have provided some links for you to use to find out more
[When to self-isolate and what to do - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

[What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

If you are unsure if your child should be in school, please call the school office.

Exmouth Larder

In our whole school and class worship this week we have continued to think about Harvest and how we can help others who might be in need. The children have also learnt about the role of a food bank. This year for our Harvest we will be collecting donations for the Exmouth Larder. This week the children had a visit from a representative from the larder to explain more about what their role is within the community. They require the following items:

Long Life Milk, Long Life Fruit Juice, Bottled Fruit Squash,
Jars of Pasta Sauce, Tinned Vegetables and Tomatoes,
Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Fruit,
Packet Custard mix, Packet Instant Potato Mash,
Instant Noodles, Savoury Rice, Packet Pasta in Sauce,
Cleaning Products.

Please can each child bring in one of the items above over the next 2 weeks, collections can go straight into classes. Thank you for your support with this.

Free School Meals and Funding

Are you eligible for free school meals? Did you know you may be able to help our school with additional funding?

It is not known by many parents and carers, but for every school family that puts in a claim and qualifies for Free School Meals, our school receives additional funding, called Pupil Premium. This helps enormously in allowing us to provide additional time and resources to your child's education.

For this reason, we are asking **every** school family, even those that have children who qualify for the Universal Free School Meals Scheme in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, to please apply if you are currently in receipt of, or due to a change in your circumstances, are about to claim for any of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit' Support under Part Vi of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on

If you are not sure you qualify for any of the above, please apply anyway as there are lots of families that now fall into one or more of these categories and are entitled to financial support. You apply via a portal which can be easily accessed at:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals>

If you are not sure how to access this, please call the school office and we will be happy to help you.

School Census Meal

The School Census Day is on **Thursday 7th October**. This is an important day for the school as school funding is calculated on this day. One of the criteria that is looked at is the number of school meals taken on that day. So here is the challenge!! We would love all the children to have a school dinner on that day, particularly those in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2.

The menu will be sausages or veggie sausages, potato wedges, baked beans, and sweetcorn or jacket potato with cheesy beans.

Medical Conditions

If your child has Asthma, we require a copy of their Asthma plan that can be obtained from your doctor's surgery. Please give it to the office team or post in the green box in the office foyer.

Parent Forum

If you are interested in joining our parent forum, please email admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk giving us your name and best contact details. There is more information about this under the 'Parents' tab on our website. Please have a read, as it gives you details about what a parent forum is and how you can be involved. Once we have group of willing parents, we will be in contact about setting up a date for our first meeting.

Raring2go!

Raring2go! have been busy bees researching things to do to keep the children busy for the Autumn season, with ideas such as preparing the garden for the Autumn, caring for Hedgehogs, and having fun with some great outdoor activities, to name a few.

At present there is only a digital version of Raring2go! Exeter

Here's the link for the Autumn edition... we hope you find it enjoyable and useful too!

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/exeter/autumn/>

Hope Programme for Parents

Are you a parent of a child aged 4+? Would you like to spend some time focusing on your wellbeing and meeting other parents who are going through something like yourself? ...then why not give the HOPE Programme a go!

This is an 8-week programme which will run every Tuesday from 11am-12:30pm on Microsoft Teams.

Sign up now before it's too late: <https://www.torbayandsouthdevon.nhs.uk/.../virtual-hope/>

Garden Help!

Our wildlife garden has become rather overgrown over the summer and needs some desperate TLC to make it a useable space for the children to enjoy during break times and curriculum lessons. Please can you email admin@woodbury.devon.sch.uk if you are able to spare a few hours over the next couple of weeks. Thank you for your help with this.

Volunteers

We are now welcoming volunteers back into school, if you would like to volunteer to listen to children read or help in class please contact the school office for further details.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Miss Gillian Pyle,

Head of School.

PTFA Newsflash

Ice lolly sales

To continue in the main playground after school on Fridays while the weather is good. Thank you for your support

100 Club

100 Club 2021 is now open!!

Thank you to everyone who purchased numbers last year. In total it raised £705 for the school, as some winners kindly donated their prizes back to the PTFA!

100 club is like a school lottery. The numbers 1-100 are available to purchase at £12 per number. Each month 3 numbers are drawn from a bag of balls (at school by an impartial staff member) and cash prizes are awarded (£20, £10, £5). This is done for the months of Sep- July and then in August, a bonus draw takes place, with winnings of £125, £65 and £25!! This fundraiser ensures that 50% of the money raised goes to school projects.

Should you wish to purchase numbers for this year's 100 club. Please email ptfawoodburyschool@yahoo.com stating your full name and your preferred numbers. Numbers will be allocated on a 'first come' basis. You will receive a reply from the PFTA to confirm your numbers and our bank details for payment.

Second hand School Uniform

We have quite a bit of Uniform for sale so please get in touch with your class rep so we can direct you to the PTFA member holding the right age clothing.

We will be arranging a Uniform sale at School in the next few weeks.

Happy Weekend!

"Learning to live life in all its fullness"