



Headteacher: Mrs. Claire Baldock

## Weekly Memo 7<sup>th</sup> June

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**PLEASE READ ALL ATTACHMENTS**

### Important Dates

We have attached a set of dates for the rest of the Summer Term. **Updates being made weekly as needed**

*If you would like to link the school website calendar to your own online calendar you can do so using the link below.*

<https://woodcote-croydon.secure-dbprimary.com/dav/croydon/primary/woodcote/arenas/websitecontent/calendar/cal.ics>

### New Information

#### Lost Property

We have a significant amount of unclaimed lost property. Anything not claimed by Wednesday next week will be given to the PTFA, recycled or binned as appropriate. Please ensure all your children's items are fully named, as they will then be returned directly to them.

#### Personal Development

Your children's personal development is as important to us as their academic development. To see what it is we do at Woodcote, take a look at the Personal Development section of our school website under the Learning heading, to see what we do.

#### Nursery Closure – Election

Woodies Nursery will be closed on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July to be used as a polling station.

#### Independent Learning Projects

It has been a joy to see so many projects completed during the holidays and the children sharing them with such pride and knowledge. We will be sending out project ideas for the summer, and for each holiday moving forward to prepare the children for their next units of learning.

### Updates

#### Woodcote Weekly Focus

This week in our Weekly Welcome, we talked about Stranger Safety and we have attached some discussion cards for parents should you wish to follow up on this at home.

Next week, we will be talking about our focus for this half term of Creativity and continuing our focus on expected behaviour.

### Reminders

#### Annual Reports

We plan to send our reports out in the week beginning 15th July. This is a substantial job and is likely to take all week to achieve. The reports will only be placed on Sims Parentlite for you to access. If you have not yet downloaded the app, please do so. Invites will be sent again today for you to accept. We have attached a guide for your information.

This is a useful app to download, as you will not only be able to access your child's reports and data, but also see their attendance, update their details and also receive messages without cost to the school that text messages raise.

We ask that you download this app now, and not on the week of the 15th July, as the office will already be managing the massive task of uploading 880+ reports, attendance certificates and assessment information, and will not be able to help with any issues. Please note there could be a delay in sending Year 6 if we do not receive the data from the National Tests by this date.

### **Eid-al-Adha**

In view of the forthcoming Eid-Al-Adha celebrations, we would remind parents to complete the '[Absence From Learning Request](#)' on the school website ([Woodcote Primary School - Parental Forms](#)) in advance if you wish your child to attend the celebrations on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June and/or Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June. If the form is not completed prior to the date, we will be unable to authorise this absence. We would take the opportunity to wish all our families the happiest of celebrations.

### **Hot Lunches Years 3 to 6**

This is a reminder that children in years 3 to 6 should only be having a hot lunch on the days you completed the Google Form for at the end of last term. We asked you to indicate which days your child would have lunch, and this is used for the cook to allocate provision. Unfortunately, we seem to be having more children and changing numbers.

### **Apparatus Before and After School**

This is a reminder that children are not to be using the apparatus of the trim trails or the Playzone before or after school. This equipment is for use by the children, supervised by staff, during the school day. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Sweets in School**

Children are not to have or bring sweets in to school. They should not have sweets in school as a snack or as part of their packed lunch. This is outlined on the school website

<https://www.woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/croydon/primary/woodcote/site/pages/ourschool/keyinformation/lunchandmenus>

### **Hotter Weather**

Can we please remind families to send their children with full water bottles each day (children can also access fountains during the day) and a hat for the sunny weather. We would recommend applying Sun Protection Cream prior to the children attending school on the sunnier days.

### **Parent Forum**

This half term our parents of children with Special Educational Needs are being invited in to school for a coffee morning. We would like to run our next whole school parents' forum meeting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June, after morning drop off, with a focus of school improvement; What have we done well this past year and what could we improve next year. We can't wait to hear all your ideas.

### **After School Club**

There will be no After School Club on the last day of term, Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July and Wed 24<sup>th</sup> July. Please make alternative arrangements for those days.

### **A chance to say Thank You!**

Everyone enjoys receiving positive feedback. On the form below we invite parents, carers, visitors, children and other staff to share experiences of a staff member who has gone over and above. All responses are read by Mrs. Baldock and shared with staff. Thank you for taking the time. <https://forms.gle/ioeF9QmvzuhtB3Fc9>

**Rate our School**

Please take 5 minutes to rate our school on the Ofsted ParentView Website. Each parent can share their views, and we really value the feedback this gives us. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views>

**Free School Meal/Pupil Premium Checker**

Whilst we understand all children are receiving a free meal, or may not want a free meal, we ask that if you are in receipt of benefits that you check your child's eligibility using the link below. This not only provides additional funds for the school but can entitle you to supermarket or holiday club vouchers, uniform, or support with payment for trips and/or clubs for at least six years. Please log on to the website below and complete the check. The school will be updated if you are eligible. <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>