



Headteacher: Mrs. Claire Baldock

Weekly Memo 22nd November 2024

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PLEASE READ ALL ATTACHMENTS

Important Dates

You can synch to our new website calendar <https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/calendar/>

Fri 22nd Nov – Bottles PTFA Mufti/Own Clothes Day
Saturday 23rd Nov – Years 3 to 6 Cross Country Event
25th and 26th Nov – Individual Photos
Wed 27th Nov - New Reception 2025 Tour 6pm
Thurs 28th Nov- New Reception 2025 Tour 10.30am
28th and 29th Nov – Year 5 Tate Modern
Fri 29th Nov – PTFA Cake Collection (No Mufti)
Sat 30th Nov – Christmas Fair
Mon 2nd Dec – New Reception 2025 Tour 1.45pm
Tues 3rd Dec – Yr2 Surprising Sounds Workshop
Wed 4th Dec – Yr3 Electricity Workshop
Fri 6th Dec – Reception Post Box Workshop

New Information

Keeping Your Children Safe

Parents/carers are not to enter the children's toilets at any time. We also ask that parents/carers do not enter the school building unaccompanied, apart from the school office.

New Gate System

Thank you for your support with trialling the new gate system. We have had lots of positive feedback but hope we can get a real overview of what our community thinks. Please take 1 minute to complete the google form attached, sharing if you think the new system should remain. <https://forms.gle/eNZTjb1s4m2XfrXA9>

Weekly Welcome

This week we talked about respecting the opinion of others, even if the opinions are different to ours. We also celebrated the improvements across the school in behaviour and how proud we are of the children and their choices.

Christmas Lunch – Thursday 12th December – **BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE**

The Children's Christmas Lunch (Menu Attached) will take place on Thursday 12th December. ALL LUNCHES MUST BE BOOKED NO MATTER WHICH YEAR GROUP. This is so the cook can ensure we have enough supplies. All lunches are free. Please complete the form here by end of **school Friday 22nd November**. *We will not be able to accept orders after this date.* <https://forms.gle/tcJLRmrVqtd9RxSF8>

Rate our School 2024 – 2025 (we need you to complete this for this year)

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 and prospective parents. Each parent/Carer can complete. If you would prefer a paper copy, then please do contact the school office <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views>

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DONATION DAYS

Bottles: Friday 22nd November – TODAY (MUFTI)

Please help us by dropping your bottles off at the KS1 playground, near the Year 1 classrooms. Additional drop off points at the front gate and back gate.

Upcoming donation days:

- Cakes (in date, no nuts): Friday 29th November (no mufti)

DESIGN A FESTIVE CARD- Free delivery to school EXTENDED TO MIDNIGHT THIS SUN 24TH NOV

Orders to home can still be made at any time (plus postage costs). Please direct any queries to admin@woodcoteptfa.org.uk.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – we are in need of more volunteers otherwise we will sadly have to cancel stalls. We currently have:

- no volunteers for the BBQ (cooks and servers), Halal BBQ servers, popcorn and face painting
- very low number of volunteers for Grotto helpers, Canteen food servers, Cookie decorating, Glitter Tattoos, Raffle
- spaces available on all other stalls.

Thanks to all who have offered to help so far. If you are able to give an hour or two, please complete the Google Form or message Mo on 07977 069256. Thank you.

Volunteer Raffle: One raffle entry per hour that you can help. *Name will be added when you check in on the day of the fair.

Raffle Prizes/Match Funding

Do you own a business or could the business you work for offer a raffle prize? Does the company you work for do Match Funding? In return, we will advertise your business here and on social media to say a huge Thank You. Please email raffle@woodcoteptfa.org.uk.

Santa's Grotto

Our pre-sales tickets have sold out but we might have availability on the day (not guaranteed). Do pop along to the grotto on the day and ask.

LETTER FROM SANTA- Deadline Mon 2nd Dec

Would you like your child to receive a personalised letter from Santa to add to the Christmas magic? Letters will arrive by post around 16th -20th December (depending on the Elfpost). Only £3.50 or £3 each for 2 or more! Don't delay as numbers are limited. Order [HERE](#)

OTHER EVENTS:

- School Lottery: Weekly Draw – Every Saturday at 8PM. Buy your tickets [HERE](#)
- Summer Fair: Saturday 21st June 2025 (yes, we like to plan early!)

RAISE MONEY WHILE YOU SHOP

Secondhand uniform

Buy secondhand uniform online [HERE](#) (Collection is from the school office).

Stikins name labels

30% off the order price of your multi-purpose labels will go to the PTFA fund. Visit www.stikins.co.uk and quote our school [fundraising number 25740](#).

Reminders

Individual and Sibling Photo Arrangements

We are doing individual school photographs on Monday 25th November and Tuesday 26th November. Please send your child in with their normal school uniform on those 2 days and not PE kit. As always, we have a loose plan for scheduling of the individual photos on Monday and Tuesday, this may be altered due to how quickly we go. WE will aim to start with Reception and Nursery on the Monday and work our way up the school.

If you would like a sibling photo (only for children who attend the school) then please arrive at school on one of the days between 8am-8.30am, preferably the Monday. Those that arrive at school first will be seen first and you may have to queue. All gates will be open. Please do not arrive after this time, as we will be stopping photographs at 8.45am.

For children mainly in Reception to year 2, please go to the Year 1/Year 2 playground to the staff room near the bottom of the tiered steps.

For children mainly in years 3 to year 6, please go to the middle playground and go to the library entrance near year 4.

If you are unsure, you can go to whichever is more convenient to get your children into registration on time.

Any parents who does not want sibling photo should NOT enter the school premises until 8.30am as per a normal school day.

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/>

Asda Parentkind

Asda have teamed up with Parentkind to donate millions of pounds to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school, at no cost to yourself.

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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>

Contacting Members of Staff

If you want to contact members of staff via email, then all staff can be contacted on 'surname'@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk (for example baldock@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk) . Please do not send communications through ClassDojo.

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