



Headteacher: Mrs. Claire Baldock

Weekly Memo 17th January 2025

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PLEASE READ ALL ATTACHMENTS

Important Dates

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

Sat 18th Jan – Year 3 to 6 Cross Country – now at Oasis Coulsdon

Fri 17th Jan – Reception Height and Weight Checks

Book Looks Week – Visits to classes will take place from 8.30am – 9.00am on the following days (Gates will still close at 8.45am, with adults needing to leave through the school office and front pedestrian gate);

Mon 20th Jan – Years 1&2

Tues 21st Jan - Rec/Nursery

Wed 22nd Jan - Years 5&6

Thurs 23rd Jan - Years 3&4

Wed 22nd Jan – Yr5 Roman Workshops

23rd and 24th Jan – Year 6 to British Museum

Thurs 30th Jan – Reception Planetarium Visit

Fri 7th February – Children to come dressed as a Number

New Information

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please see flyers attached for clubs that still have spaces. Netball is now also open to Year 4 (flyer says years 5 & 6)

Hot Lunches – ACTION NEEDED – DEADLINE Thursday 23rd January

Please can parents sign up for lunches, for the rest of the Spring Term. This is to enable us to ensure that Nourish are able to plan appropriately for the numbers of lunches for each day. We are asking all families, from Reception to Year 6, to indicate the days of the week their children will be eating.

Please indicate which day each week your child will have a school lunch. You can check the school menu on the school website. <https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/lunch/>

Your child must bring in a packed lunch for any day of the week not booked.

You will need to complete a form for each of your children.

Late Arrival at School

We are writing to again ask that families make every effort to get their children to school punctually. Late attendance not only impacts your child's but other children's learning. In addition, the need for the office to escort children to their classes significantly impacts the working of the office. Thank you for your support with this moving forward.

School Uniform

Please ensure your child is fully complying with our school uniform expectations, this includes hair that is long enough to be tied back must be tied back. Thank you for your support. <https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/uniform/>

Maths Fluency Parent Workshop - Wednesday 22nd January

Mrs Moran (Maths Lead) will be offering a parent workshop from 2:45pm to 3:15pm in the staffroom focusing on fluency in Maths, including times tables. Having competent fluency skills is vital, as it enables children to grasp more complex concepts. One area of fluency is times tables and, as you know, all children are tested on the times tables (up to 12x12) at the end of Year 4. This session will discuss times tables teaching, progress of key fluency skills and strategies to support your child at home.

Congratulations!

We are delighted to celebrate the remarkable achievements of Stephanos and Aaliyah, who recently completed their external ISTD (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance) Street Dance exams through Boom Arts Academy. This prestigious and accredited examination recognises their hard work and talent, and we are proud to say that both students achieved top "Honours" marks!

Thanks to our fantastic Tuesday after-school Street Dance club, these young dancers had the opportunity to prepare for and excel in their dance training. Boom Arts Academy is proud to be the only school in the South of England offering ISTD Street Dance exams, continuing our commitment to providing exceptional opportunities for our students. Congratulations to Stephanos and Aaliyah for their outstanding success and dedication!

Parents Evenings

Thank you to everyone who attended their child's parent meeting this week. We hope you also found the new brief report you received useful.

Share Your Views

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>

PTFA Messages

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on Facebook: @friendsofwoodcoteprimary, Twitter: @woodcoteptfa, Instagram: @friendsofwoodcoteprimary, Website: www.woodcoteptfa.org.uk

Meet the PTFA Coffee Morning

Thank you to those who joined us for the coffee morning. If you couldn't join and would like to know more, check out the [PTFA homepage](#) or email admin@woodcoteptfa.org.uk. New committee members welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

THEATRE CLUB

The Lion King in theatre: Wednesday 26th February, 7:30 pm.

4 tickets remaining! Disney's award-winning musical THE LION KING explodes with glorious colours, stunning effects and enchanting music. See the exhilarating performance at our LOWEST ever price!! Only £49.50 per ticket (RRP £81.95) Great seats in the Stalls. [Book your tickets now.](#) **Deadline 19th January!**

Shows

Is there a show you would like to see? Let us try to get you a great discount. Email your requests to admin@woodcoteptfa.org.uk

AGM: PTFA Annual General Meeting

Thursday 6th February, 6pm, in the staffroom

You are all invited to join us at our AGM to:

- Hear more about what we have been doing, how much we have raised and what has been funded
- Share your fundraising ideas or how you would like the funds raised to be spent
- Learn more about who we are and what we do.

It is also a time to vote-in the Key Committee Roles and welcome new members.

SUMMER FAIR: Saturday 21st June 2025

We will be bringing back the petting zoo as well as the inflatables all in one day! More information will be shared in the coming weeks. Be prepared for an afternoon of fun!

Uniform Donations

Thank you for your generous donations of school uniform to the PTFA! We have more than enough at the moment, so we aren't accepting any more for now. We will let you know when we start accepting donations again.

OTHER EVENTS:

- School Lottery: Weekly Draw – Every Saturday at 8PM. Buy your tickets [HERE](#)

Ink Cartridge Recycling Fundraiser

Stop ink cartridges from going to landfill by simply popping your used ink cartridges (sadly no toner or laser cartridges) into the box in reception (without any packaging) and we will do the rest.

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

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/>

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.

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

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