

# Woodcote Primary School

Inspire, Challenge, Engage

Headteacher: Mrs. Claire Baldock

# Weekly Memo 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Follow us on Twitter/X @woodcoteprimary and Instagram!

#### PLEASE READ ALL ATTACHMENTS

# **Important Dates**

You can synch to our new website calendar <a href="https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/calendar/">https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/calendar/</a>
Sat 8<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 to 6 Farthing Downs Cross Country
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 Careers Event
Sat 15<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 to 6 Cross Country Event, Oasis Coulsdon
Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Post Eid Family Dinner
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April – Spring Colour Mufti, Easter Bonnets (EYFS and KS1), Easter Egg Competition (KS2)

Fri 4th April – School finishes at 2.30pm – No After School Club on this day.

# **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Our gates open at 8.30am, with children to be in class for registration by 8.45am

During the first part of the morning, children take part in Early Morning Work to practice and develop their learning. This is a great opportunity to build their learning memory.

Well done Reception for the most improved attendance last week!

# **New Information**

## **Supporting our Children with Special Educational Needs**

As some families will be aware Ms Augustin, our SENDCo, left our school last week. Mrs Hannan has stepped up in to the SENDCo role, and will be our permanent SENDCo. We will be moving some of her responsibilities to other staff and will continue to develop and enhance our inclusion team and offer as a school. If you do have any queries about your child's needs, the best person to contact is their class teacher in the first instance. But if you do have other queries then you can contact send@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk

# PLAYBALL HOLIDAY CAMPS THIS EASTER!!

Playball are delighted to announce that they will be running half term holiday camps at Woodcote primary school on Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th April!

The holiday camps are a drop off service and run from 10am - 1pm. The camps are open to all children that are FULLY toilet trained between the ages of 3-10 years and the cost per day is £20 per child.

To book, please email Ben at manager@playballpurley.com or click the links below:

Monday 14th April Tuesday 15th April

## **PTFA Messages**

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





#### **NEW FUNDRAISING IDEAS**

What fundraising events would you like the PTFA to hold? Complete this short form and share your ideas.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### KRISPY KREME SALE - Friday 28th March

Pre Order your doughnuts here in batches of 3, 6 or a box of 12!

A limited number of single doughnuts will be available on the day in the KS1 and KS2 playground huts. Once they're gone, they're gone!

We're looking for volunteers to help set up from 2 pm on the day. If you can help, email admin@woodcoteptfa.org.uk to let us know.

# SUMMER FAIR: Saturday 21st June 2025

We will be bringing back the petting zoo as well as the inflatables all in one day! Book your inflatable tickets here for only £12.50! See the attached poster.

#### **SCHOOL LOTTERY UPDATE**

Our school lottery, launched last September, is raising funds for our children's year groups. We've raised nearly £700 so far, with this amount growing weekly!

Each draw offers a cash prize, with over £500 in winnings paid out to date.

Thank you to everyone who has supported this initiative — the PTFA is incredibly grateful.

We'll share exciting updates as we reach key milestones. Are you interested in joining or learning more? See the attached poster or visit here.

## **Uniform Donations**

We are now taking uniform donations of the below (in good condition):

- Jumpers 7-8
- Jumpers 9+
- Cardigans 7-8
- Cardigans 9+
- Trousers 4-6

#### Second hand uniform

Buy second hand uniform online HERE (Collection is from the school office).

#### **RAISE MONEY WHILE YOU SHOP**

## **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.

#### 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**

# **KS2 Playground Improvements**

We are looking at ways to improve the KS2 playground. Some areas become very muddy and potentially unusable when wet and on hot days there is limited shade. Do you have any ideas of how to make better use of the space in the KS2 playground, so it is usable all year round.? All ideas are welcome for parents, carers, children and staff. Please complete the google form by the 10th March 2025 with any suggestions.

Sophie <a href="https://forms.gle/LDy3C65KBzUcURBt5">https://forms.gle/LDy3C65KBzUcURBt5</a>

#### Eid-al-Fitr

In view of the forthcoming Eid-al-Fitr 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 which potentially fall on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March. If the form is not completed prior to the date, we will be unable to authorise this absence. We would like to take the opportunity to wish all our families the happiest of celebrations.

#### Volunteering

We would love to recruit some more parent/carer volunteers to listen to readers & to support with activities in the classroom. If you are able to commit to at least one morning/afternoon every two weeks, please complete and return the form in our Volunteer policy <a href="https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/volunteers-and-work-experience/">https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/volunteers-and-work-experience/</a>. In accordance with our safeguarding procedures, a DBS check & references would be required.

#### 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. <a href="https://forms.gle/ioeF9QmvzuhtB3Fc9">https://forms.gle/ioeF9QmvzuhtB3Fc9</a>

# **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 <a href="mailto:baldock@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk">baldock@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk</a>). 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 <a href="https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views">https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views</a>