



Headteacher: Mrs. Claire Baldock

Weekly Memo 28th March 2025

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PLEASE READ ALL ATTACHMENTS

Important Dates

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

Extra-Curricular Clubs do not run in the last week of term

Tues 1st and Wed 2nd April – Rearranged Yr1 Dobbies Trips

Wed 2nd April – Post Eid Family Dinner 6pm (ticket only)

Fri 4th 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.

Sat 5th April Final Cross Country Event 9.30am start Oasis Academy Coulsdon

Children return Tuesday 22nd April

Thurs 24th April – Reception to Polka Theatre

Sat 26th April – Woodcote Mini Marathon

29th April and 1st May – Parents Evening Appointments

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Well done to Years 3 for having the highest attendance in the last week!

New Information

New Menu and Lunch sign up

Attached is the new school menu that starts after the holidays. Please can parents sign up for lunches, for the Summer 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. **DEADLINE TO SIGN UP is Thursday 3rd April** You will need to complete a form for each of your children and please indicate which day each week your child will have a school lunch. Your child must bring in a packed lunch for any day of the week not booked.

Uniform - School Shoes

We have noticed an array of different shoes over the last week, including crocs. **Children are expected to wear plain black shoes or trainers only (not boots)**. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform every day. Our full uniform expectations can be found on our school website <https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/uniform/>

Safeguarding – Online Safety

The recent Netflix drama **Adolescence** has highlighted the troubling rise of incel (involuntary celibate) communities and their influence on young people. As a parent, it is important to understand this online subculture, recognise warning signs, and engage in open conversations with your child. The guide attached, explains incel ideology, key terms, signs to look out for, and conversation starters to help you support your child. You can find further support here: <https://www.youcantknoweverything.com/>

We have also purchased an Online Parent Session to be held on the evening of 5th June, and parents will also be able to access this for up to 28 days later. *More information to come.*

Year1 and 2 Under covered Way

Can we please remind parents that they should not be entering the area outside Year 1 and 2 where the children's coats and bags are. This area is for children and staff only. Thank you for your support.

Jigsaw Puzzle and Puzzle Board Donation Request

Jigsaw puzzles are a great way for children to develop different skills; including fine motor skills, concentration, working with others and problem solving. We would be grateful for any donations of complete jigsaw puzzles (with a maximum of 500 pieces), as well as puzzle boards. Donations can be handed in to the office for the attention of Mrs Simpson. Thank you.

PTFA Messages

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

Communications Coordinator Needed!

We need your help! Join our fun and dynamic PTFA team as a Communications Coordinator. In this role, you'll write and collaborate with the head teacher on PTFA messages for the weekly memo, as well as keep the class reps' WhatsApp groups updated with upcoming fundraising events! Email admin@woodcoteptfa.org.uk if you're interested.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

KRISPY KREME SALE - After School TODAY!

- **Today only**, the pedestrian gate by Woodies will open at 3:00pm. All other gates will open at 3:10pm.
- Pre-orders must be collected from the KS1 playground hut only
- A limited number of single doughnuts and Coughlans Vegan doughnuts will be available (KS1 and KS2 playgrounds, and the scooter shelter near Woodies) for £1.50 each. Cash and card payments accepted.
- Be quick! Once they're gone, they're gone!

MOTHER'S DAY GIFT

The children will be bringing home a Mother's Day gift for that special person in their life. The PTFA will not be asking for donations this year, but if you would like to [contribute](#), your support is greatly appreciated.

KIDSPACE - Thursday 8th May

Join us for another exclusive event at Kidspace! Tickets are limited and on a first come first served basis. Be quick before they sell out! Book your tickets [here](#)

SUMMER FAIR: Saturday 21st June 2025

We will be bringing back the Inflatables as well as the Petting Zoo from the wonderful Manor Farm Experiences all in one day!

- **Inflatables**: Book your tickets [here](#) for only £12.50! See the attached poster
- **Petting Zoo**: Book your tickets [here](#) for only £3.50! See the attached poster

Calling External Stall Holders: Are you a maker, artist, or craft enthusiast looking to showcase your handmade creations? Complete this [short form](#) if you'd like a stall at the fair!

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Weekly Draw – Every Saturday at 8PM.

Next draw prize: £25,000 jackpot. Buy your tickets [HERE](#)

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

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

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

PARENT / TEACHER MEETINGS – Spring 2025 Reception to Year 5 (Not Yr6, 1H or 5C)

Meetings will take place in the second week of the Summer Term. In these meetings the teachers will talk to you about how your child's attainment, progress and attendance over the Spring Term. We hope families will find this informative and supportive.

These meetings will take place in person on the Tuesday and via video call on the Thursday (you will need to log back into our Parents Evening System on the evening to attend this virtual meeting).

Meetings will take place on:

Tues 29th April 3.40 – 6.20 In-Person

Thurs 1st May 3.40 – 6.20 Video Call

The time available for each consultation is 9 minutes. Timings will be strictly adhered to for in-person meetings also. If you feel that more time is needed, a further or different appointment can be arranged with your child's teacher directly. Children in Years 3 to 5 should attend with their parent/carer, to take part in the discussion and review their personal targets.

To book an appointment you will need to access our online booking system. This system will allow you to book a time that is convenient to you and will allow you to book appointments across teachers/classes if you have more than one child. If you do have any problems please contact office@woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk We do hope you will be able to attend and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

You can book appointments by going to <https://woodcoteprimary.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Opportunities to view the children's work will take place at drop off time on the mornings the week after as shown below.

Tues 6th May - Rec/Nursery

Wed 7th May - Years 5&6

Thurs 8th May - Years 3&4

Friday 9th May - Years 1&2 **UPDATED**

3 Easter hamper prizes to be won (including magnum of prosecco, chocolates, Gin gift set, bath bombs, scented candles, body and hand cream, herbal teas and much more!)

£2 for 1 ticket or £5 for 5 tickets – Prizes, raffle tickets and cash collection in the main office or via QR below – just add your name and child's class and we'll send you your numbers. **Draw taking place on 2nd April** (the only April fools here are the two-office staff running the London Marathon on 27th April!) be sure to set the tip to £0 and click no gift aid.

All proceeds going to the Surrey Care Trust – supporting families, young people, children and parents with complex mental health needs. Thank you for supporting us – Mrs Jeffers and Mrs Leaker



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 <https://woodcoteprimary.croydon.sch.uk/volunteers-and-work-experience/> . 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. <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 <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=/give-your-views>