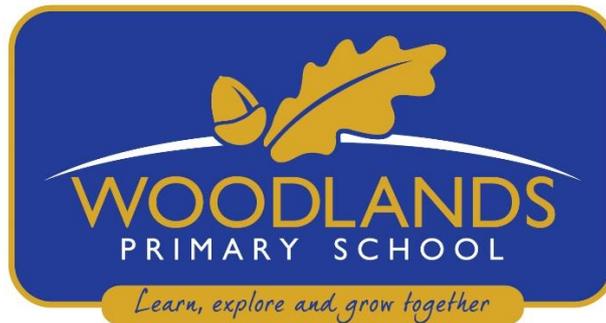


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Amazing! Superb! The best ever! So inclusive! Loved the singing! What enjoyment.....!

Just a few of the comments from Y4's brilliant production this week. It's always a great sign if you come away laughing, smiling and crying at the same time – and we did. Thank you Y4 for such a remarkable performance.



We rounded off the term with an Easter Assembly – led by the Rev. Sharon and Victoria (along with YR, Y1 and Y2). The school loved YR's rendition of the 'spring chicken' song and we all couldn't help but join in! Thank you to Y2 pupils for retelling the Easter story so beautifully and Y1 for their prayers. How brave they were to stand up in front of the entire school....

Happy News!

Welcome to Max Edward Dobney – congratulations to Mrs Dobney and her partner on the birth of their first child.

Wedding congratulations to Miss McBride who is getting married during the Easter break.



What is it?

A writing competition to write a 500 word story about a real life hero. It will be judged by David Walliams himself at this year's National Young Writers' Awards.

What do I have to do?

Write a story no longer than 500 words about a real life hero, e.g. firefighter, doctor, paramedic, teacher, parent and many more!

When do I have to hand it in?

Your entry needs to be in to Mrs Tucker-Bays by 26th April 2018 so your submissions can be collected.

What do I get if I win?

This years' official prizes are:
A trip to Disneyland (wow!)
Money for the school for books

An Update from School Trends, our uniform supplier

We are updating the delivery charges for our on-line uniform service. We have listened to feedback from parents about the cost of our delivery service, and so from 27th April 2018 we are reducing the carriage cost of parent orders from £4.95 to just £2.99. This charge will apply to all parent orders, whether delivered to home or to school. Free delivery will apply on all orders over the value of £75 including VAT.

You will now be able to have delivery to home or an alternate address before the start of term, and to school during term times and all at a very reasonable cost.

Science Selfie

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in a Science Selfie! We have had a huge amount given in and have been so impressed with your innovative ideas and photos of you clearly loving science at home. We've loved looking at them all and winners will be announced at the beginning of next term. Well done!

FizzPop Science Club

A reminder that FizzPop Science Club will run next term: Years 1, 2 and 3 on Monday 23rd and 30th April, 14th and 21st May taking place in Cedar Class (Mrs Taylor) 3.20-4.20pm
Years 4, 5 and 6 on Tuesday 17th and 24th April, 8th and 15th May taking place in Damson Class (Mrs Newsome) 3.20-4.20pm

Birthdays!

Whilst we love celebrating your child's birthday in school, we are unable to hand out class lists, sweets, cakes or other gifts. Thank you!



Superstar Corner

This week, our congratulations go to:

Ella Hilder and **Abdu Jeridi** (5 Lime) who both achieved Merit in their LAMDA Entry Level Acting exams, and to **Zoe Hayfa**, (5 Lime) who achieved a Distinction. Well done! Zoe also achieved a Distinction in her Initial Grade piano exam.
Amelie Lucas (2 Yew) who has achieved her British Gymnastic Proficiency Award Level 2.

Chair of Governors Term 4 Message:

Following on from my previous note to you, the Governors have had a busy term visiting the school. As mentioned previously it is a key role of a Governor to visit the school to ensure that the school's objectives are being met. This term Governors have visited classes in Reception to fully understand how the learning journey is being used, and to discover more about the stay and play sessions. Governors were delighted to visit the school during anti-bullying week and were pleased to see the whole school involved in the key message of the week "all different and all equal". The health and welfare of our pupils is very important and Governors met with teachers to understand how PE is taught in school and how participation in sport is encouraged. It was fantastic to see all the children out in the playground taking part in Sport Relief last week. We also joined the English subject lead to observe how reading is taught across the school and the Deputy Headteacher to ensure that our Pupil Premium money is being spent effectively. As always, if you have any questions please contact me via the school office.

Alison Minton, Chair of Governors

PTA News

We are very excited to announce our next fundraising event!

*****18th May 2018 is Party Night at Woodlands*****

We have been lucky enough to secure the popular London Band - Mk & The Misters - a live 4 piece band who will be entertaining us with an evening full of classic hits. We will be serving cocktails as well as the usual cash bar.

Early bird tickets are £10 purchased via ParentMail, booking forms in book bags or the school office. Doors open at 7.30pm till late Enquires to: woodlandspartyatnight@gmail.com

We are on the last push for the ICT suite fundraising, so please support what we are sure will be a fabulous evening!

We are having a Bags2School collection on 18th May. If you are having a spring clean over the Easter holidays please see the attached leaflet for details of what you can donate. Fill as many bin bags as you like - ask friends and family too! The money the PTA get is based on the weight of the bags so the more we can collect the better.

ICT SUITE FUNDRAISING TOTAL



Community News

There are a few spaces left in local drama classes run by Playworks Speech & Drama for 5-7 year olds in classes after school on Wednesdays and on Saturday mornings. There may also be a new class starting on Saturday mornings for 11-18 year olds. Playworks students recently performed really well in their LAMDA acting exams, and they will be working towards a summer showcase of scenes. Email playworksdrama@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/PlayworksDrama or call Ruth on 07801 889819 to find out more.

EM Forster Theatre at Tonbridge School have a fantastic children's show coming here on **Sunday 22nd April** which is an **inclusive show** for hearing and visually impaired children. It is around anxiety and worries and the company are offering a free workshop on the same day which will provide coping mechanisms for children with anxiety. Their flyer is attached which gives lots more information.

Tonbridge Cricket Club Juniors – want to play cricket or develop your game? Cricket training sessions are held for 7-15 year olds every Saturday between 9.15am and 10.45am from 28th April until 18th August. Sessions are led by Australian coach Ben Salt, £70 fee for 17 sessions. To register your interest email register@tonbridgecc.co.uk or call 07838 499263.

Letters Home

All Terms 5 & 6 Curriculum Letters

You've Got Dragons at EM Forster Theatre
Primary Recruitment & Information Evening
First Aid Workshop for the Family
Bag2School Collection
Parent Support Group

Y6 Safety in Action Trip

Y5 Relationships & Sex Education Letter
Swimming Term 5

Diary Dates

23rd April 3 Hawthorn visit to Tonbridge Castle
24th April 3 Chestnut visit to Tonbridge Castle
24th April Y6 Safety in Action
24th April Y5 RSE DVD pre-screening 6pm
26th April 3 Bay visit to Tonbridge Castle
27th Apr KS1 Disco
14-18 May KS2 SATs tests
May KS1 SATs tests
21-25 May Y6 Trip to Isle of Wight
14th June Junior Choir at Methodist Church 2pm
14th June Father's Day Coffee and Cake 3.15pm
15th June KS2 Disco
21st June Father's Day Coffee and Cake 3.15pm
25th June Height, weight, hearing, vision tests RHazel
26th June Height, weight, hearing, vision tests RJuniper
27th June Height, weight, hearing, vision tests RWillow
28th June Music Evening
30th June Summer Fair
June Open Evening date to be confirmed
w/c 25 Jun Sports Day date tbc
w/c 16 Jul Y6 Productions date tbc
23 Jul Y6 Leavers BBQ

Dates which have been changed or added

Class Assemblies are on Thursdays, starting at 2.45pm

26 Apr	4 Ebony	3 May	5 Lime
10 May	3 Chestnut	10 May	R Willow
17 May	R Hazel	24 May	R Juniper
21 Jun	3 Hawthorn	28 Jun	2 Fir
5 Jul	2 Oak	12 Jul	2 Yew

Term Dates

29 th March	Term Ends
16 th April	Inset Day
17 th April	Term Starts
7 th May	Bank Holiday
25 th May	Term Ends
4 th June	Inset Day
5 th June	Term Starts
24 th July	Term Ends
3 rd September	Inset Day
4 th September	Term Starts
14 th September	Inset Day (Teacher Training)
19 th October	Term Ends
29 th October	Term Starts
19 th December	Term Ends
3 rd January 2019	Term Starts
15 th February	Term Ends
25 th February	Inset Day
26 th February	Term Starts
5 th April	Term Ends
23 rd April	Term Starts
6 th May	Bank Holiday
24 th May	Term Ends
3 rd June	Term Starts
19 th July	Term Ends
22 nd July	Inset Day
23 rd July	Inset Day