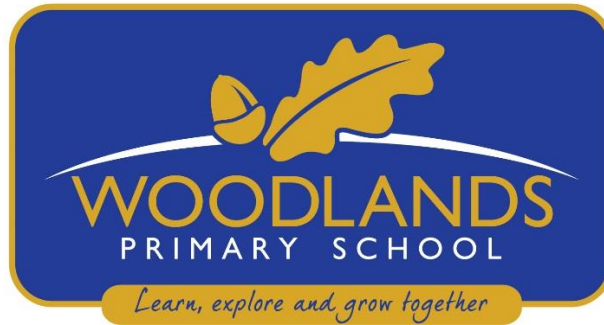


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Forest School

This week the forest school area, complete with fire pit, was completed in the woodland area by Acorn playground.



Eco Club were lucky enough to be the first ones to enjoy using it and some chose to collect some firewood ready for next week. Next week, groups of children from Reception and Year 4 will be using the area as part of a programme helping Mrs Brown and Mrs Newble to qualify as Forest School teachers.

We have been able to fund this project thanks to your generous support through The Woodlands Fund.

Year 5 Taster Day

Year 5 will be visiting Hayesbrook/Hillview on Tuesday for a taster day. The children should wear their school uniform and will need to be collected by you from the secondary school. They are not expected back here afterwards.

Finding it hard to interest your child in reading?

At our recent Parent Forum, we discussed ways of finding appropriate reading material for children, of all ages. In addition to the links published in the children's homework diary, there are links on our website. Each week in Term 6 we will highlight one of these links.

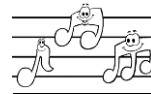


<http://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/>

This site has a range of suggestions that are refreshed regularly. Obviously only you and your child will know if a book is 'for them'. Using a library means that you can order a book (or books!) and if your child does not enjoy a particular choice, you are not out of pocket and it may help in your selection next time.

Attendance News

Year Group	% Attendance
R	87.6
1	95.7
2	91.7
3	97.0
4	93.5
5	94.8
6	93.9



Music News

The Junior Choir will be at the Methodist Church next Thursday 14th June at 2pm and you are warmly invited to attend. There will be an extra practice during second sitting on Wednesday lunchtime just to refresh the children's memories, as it will be a week since our last rehearsal. The children will need to know all their songs off by heart. Please note that there will still be a choir practice on Thursday after school as normal when we will rehearse for the music evening.

Music Evening 28th June 7pm in the hall: all music clubs will be performing. Please return the permission slip sent out before half term as there are still a large number who have not replied. We are hoping that as many children as possible will take part. Solo performers will receive a letter – if your child is interested please speak to Mrs Jones. Singing at the School Fair 30th June at 12.30 pm – thank you to all those who have returned this slip – please send it in if you have not already done so.

Flute, clarinet, saxophone, drum, violin and guitar lessons are available in school and new pupils will be welcome from September. Please contact Mrs Jones for details.

Piano lessons at KS2: if you are interested in piano lessons in school from September please apply via the Kent Music website. Lessons take place on Fridays with Mrs Jones, administered by Kent Music and there is a bursary scheme. Summer schools – Kent Music are also running summer schools for singing, recorders and other instrumental groups. Please go to www.kent-music.com for all details.



Two Wheel Safety

We understand the feeling of excitement your child feels when they hop on board their scooter or bike at the end of the school day to get home but please could you make sure they are "driving" safely when they leave the school grounds, we have had a couple of near misses where younger children didn't get out of the way fast enough!

Swimming Gala News

Oh my Gala! On Thursday, 9 pupils from Woodlands took part in the annual Tonbridge Schools Swimming Gala and what a fantastic job they did. I have never known team spirit like it. They swam their legs off and we couldn't be prouder. We were placed in the top 3 for most races and the children were so encouraging and supportive of all the teams involved. They behaved impeccably and were fantastic representatives of Woodlands. They should be incredibly proud of their achievements. The event was extremely well organised and we can't wait for next year! Final placings were:

1st - 4x1 Girls Freestyle Relay; 1st - Mixed Freestyle Relay
1st - Girls 1 Length Front Crawl; 2nd - Boys 1 Length Back Crawl; 2nd - Fun Race; 3rd - Boys Medley Relay
3rd - Girls Medley Relay; 3rd - Squadron Relay



Superstar Corner

This week, our congratulations go to:

Peter (6 Beech) who completed the Yorkshire 3 Peaks challenge with his Dad in the half-term holiday.

Bella (2 Oak) who was awarded fourth place in Gravesham Dance Festival in half term for her modern dance solo.

Thomas (3 Bay) who was recently awarded "Most Improved Player" at Tonbridge Juniors Football Club Under 8's.

Tamsin (R Hazel) who came 3rd in the Croydon Dance Festival Classical Ballet, and for winning the trophy across the festival for her age group of "Most Promising Dancer".

Alison (6 Beech) who took part in the Kent Schools Chess Challenge 26th May and received a bronze medal for coming 3rd in the girls U12 category.

Daniel (6 Mulberry) who has reached the Gigafinals of the Delancey UK Schools' Chess challenge after completing the Megafinals on the 26th May at Tonbridge Grammar school. He also took 3rd place in the Junior Boys Kent Velo Kids, 'Go Ride' racing event.

Isaac, Cleo, Harrison, Daniel and **Alice** who created beautiful and poignant pieces of work for the Tonbridge Dementia Friendly Communities Art Competition recently. Daniel came 3rd and Alice 1st in their age categories.

Huge congratulations to **Leila, Tia, Dania, Shivani, Lucy** and **Kianna** from 6 Mulberry who, through their Charity Stall, have raised an astonishing £105.98 for the Glimmer of Hope Foundation which provides clean water, education and much more in Ethiopia.

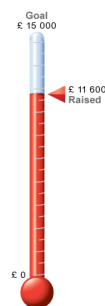
PTA News

Our fabulous Summer Fair is fast approaching and arrangements are well under way to make this the best yet! A flyer is attached to the Newsletter giving information about the own clothes day on 22nd June and donations sought.

Raffle Tickets are coming home with the children today. The Office has additional books if you want more. If you can help us on the day of the Fair, please email

woodlandsprimarypta@gmail.com

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FAB at Woodlands

FAB Club will meet at Woodlands on the Sports Field on 8th and 22nd June and 6th July. This will be at the usual time of 7–8.30pm. If you have any queries please contact Kate Walker on 07870 195548.

Adult Pilates Club

If you are interested in taking a Pilates Class, Christine Owen is the lady for you! She takes a class every Monday during the school term in Oak Hall from 7.15-8.15pm. Come along and see how you like it or contact her for more information at owenchristine10@googlemail.com

Community News

Funky Footsteps Taster Session: Come and dance with professionals fresh from Cruise Ships in America! For children aged 5-11 years old, come and try hip hop and street dance, musical theatre dance on 26th June from 4-5pm in Maidstone. Contact lauren_brindley@btinternet.com or call 07896 599881

Discounted **Summer Football Course** with Premier Football School! Premier Football School are running a football course at Weald of Kent Grammar School Tonbridge this summer from *Tuesday 14th - Friday 17th August* for boys and girls aged 5 - 12 of all abilities. Times are 10.00am - 3.30pm. All children receive a trophy, Activities include a kids World Cup tournament and a penalty shoot out competition with prizes! Should you wish to book, PFS are offering parents the opportunity to reduce the cost by entering discount code PFS4DAY2018 when they book on their website, reducing the cost to just £39 for a four day course! To book visit www.premierfootballschool.co.uk

Multi award-winning **theatre company ThisEgg** invites you to save the world – one bee at a time. A new comedy for children and adults alike "Me and my Bee" is at the EM Forster Studio Theatre on Sunday 17th June. Tickets are available for the 11.30am performance at £9 each. Call the Box Office on 01732 304241 or visit www.emftheatre.com

Letters Home

All Summer Fair Donations

Diary Dates

12th June Y5 Taster Days Hillview/Hayesbrook
12-14 June Y2/Y6 First Aid Awareness
14th June Junior Choir at Methodist Church 2pm
14th June Father's Day Coffee and Cake 3.15pm
21st June Father's Day Coffee and Cake 3.15pm
21st June Midsummer Night Read Out 6-7pm
22nd June KS2 Disco
25th June Y1 Hever Castle
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 7pm
29th June Y5 Hugh Christie Taster Day 2pm-5pm
30th June Summer Fair
3rd July Maths Evening Oak Hall 5.30-7pm
6th July Sports Day
9th July Fizz Pop Science for Y2
12th July Open Evening 6-8pm
13th July Y3/4 Guitar Concert (Tom Williams) 3.30pm
w/c 16 Jul Y6 Productions date tbc
23 Jul Y6 Leavers' BBQ

6th Sep Kent Test

Class Assemblies are on Thursdays, starting at 2.45pm

21 June 3 Hawthorn 28 June 2 Fir
12 July 2 Yew 19 Jul 2 Oak

Dates which have been changed or added

Term Dates

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