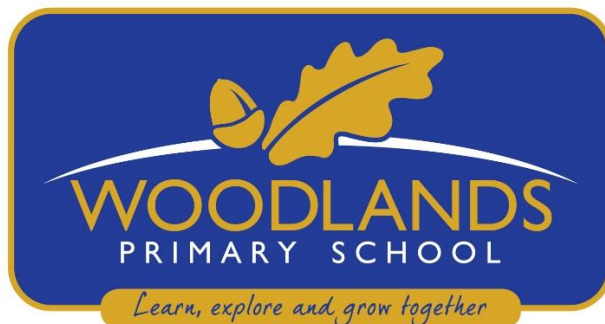


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Happy New Year to all of you! The children have arrived back at school to greet the new decade with such enthusiasm and energy. The Christmas break (and possibly one or two presents!) has clearly rejuvenated them for the year ahead. There are many things that they can look forward to in 2020 at Woodlands and the staff are excited to continue enhancing our curriculum offering for the children.

On Tuesday, we began with an assembly on New Year's resolutions and we talked about setting these so they are realistic and achievable. The children were given an opportunity to think about what they could do differently in 2020. After the fast-paced Christmas period, staff and pupils are ready to settle back down and fully focus on learning in the classroom once more.

Vicki Lonie
Headteacher



Year Group	% Attendance
R	95.8
1	96.8
2	96.3
3	93.6
4	96.0
5	97.6
6	97.1

PRIMARY SCHOOLS NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

SELECTION FOR HARRY!



Well done to Harry in Year 5 who recently finished 11th in the Kent Primary Schools Cross Country at Brands Hatch. Harry has recently been selected for the National Primary Schools Cross Country in

Leicestershire which will take place in March. Also, narrowly missing selection was Jessica who finished 13th with the top 12 being selected. We look forward to seeing

both pupils' progress in the coming year and wish them lots of luck with their competitions.

Well done to both pupils on their achievements.

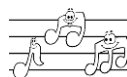
Parking in Wilson Road

We have already had a complaint from a resident of Wilson Road regarding the parking of cars at dropping off and picking up times. Please can we remind you to be respectful of our neighbours and to park safely and legally without blocking driveways or pavements.

LAST REMINDER Admissions to school in September 2020

Please note that if you have a child due to start school next September 2020 the closing date for applications is **Wednesday 15th January 2020.**

We have one remaining tour of the school available next Monday 13th January 2020 at 2pm. If you would like to visit on this date please call our school office on 01732 355577.



Music News

Senior Choir: A Parentmail has been sent out with information about the Young Voices trip. There will be more lunchtime rehearsals next week starting with one on Wednesday with Mrs Jones in the music room. The children will need to know all their song words as these are not allowed at the concert. Thank you to those who have returned the blue T shirts used for the performance at Tonbridge Chapel. We are still missing some so please return yours next week, preferably in a labelled bag, so that it gets passed back to Mrs Jones. We will be using these again for the Choir Competition on Thursday 26th March, 6.30pm at Tonbridge Baptist Church. More information will be sent out after the Young Voices trip.

Other KS2 music clubs run by Mrs Jones start next week.

Please note that school band guitarists will need a capo. There will be another music concert at the end of Term 4 which we will be working towards. Thank you for your support.

Instrumental lessons: Our instrumental teachers in school can be contacted as follows: drumming teacher Dale Frost: dale@tonbridgedrumstudio.com. He is in on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Nicky Catterwell, (wind and brass) can be contacted on 07713 164930 or at n.catterwell@hotmail.co.uk. She is in on Fridays.

For piano lessons (Fridays with Mrs Jones) or violin lessons (Mondays with Mrs Butler) please contact Kent Music at www.kent-music.com, or tel 01622 691212.

For guitar lessons contact Tom Williams Tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com 07736051082

Instruments for lessons in school can be hired at a very reasonable fee from Kent Music.



Superstar Corner

Congratulations to Arianna in 5 Chestnut who has achieved Distinction in her recent Grade 1 piano exam.

PTA News

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful festive break and are looking forward to all our upcoming events in 2020.

BAGS2SCHOOLS – FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY

Have you had an end of year clear out of the wardrobes? We have our next Bags2School collection on Friday 24th January. As before we will have collection points available on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th before school, and Thursday 23rd after school, with the option to drive up your donations to the school after 4pm. Collection bags are being sent home today but any bin bag or carrier bag is fine to use.

FAMILY BINGO – FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

Save the date! We will be hosting a bingo night at school on Friday 7th February. Ticket details to be announced next week.

COPPER CHALLENGE – TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY – FRIDAY 27th MARCH

After the success of the 5p challenge we will be running a copper challenge. This will begin next term and run until the Easter holidays. So get saving those coppers ready for the launch.

OUR NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday 14th January 7pm in the Staff room. At this meeting we'll be planning our events for the next term - everyone is welcome!

Smart Raspberry After School Cookery Club

We are pleased to be able to continue offering our after school cookery class this term. Smart Raspberry promotes healthy food and helps children to develop skills, knowledge and confidence through cooking! Your child can come and learn the basic skills involved in cooking, to experiment with different ingredients and most importantly to enjoy food! We make a wide variety of savoury and sweet dishes, some of which are ready to eat and some of which simply need to be cooked or heated at home. All ingredients, cooking equipment, use of aprons, packaging and a laminated recipe card to keep each week are included within the cost, which is £9 per class. Cookery classes will start on Monday 13th January 2020 and will run after school on Mondays from 3.15pm - 4.30pm, for 10 weeks. Limited places are available and must be booked in advance via the Smart Raspberry website. We will be making some exciting recipes: Orange Polenta Cake, Sweet Potato and Feta Parcels, Triple Chocolate Cookies, Spicy

Tuna Wraps and Pear and Rhubarb Crumble. Click here to book:

https://portal.smartraspberry.com/Classes/Course+Details/?course_id=468

If you have any questions, please email Jill on jill@smartraspberry.com or call 07904 108591. For more information, please see www.smartraspberry.com. If you would like your child to attend but places are full, please ensure you join the Waiting List so you will be allocated a place when one becomes available. If you do not do this, we do not know you are waiting for a place!

Community News

Kent College Open Morning Tuesday 3rd March 2020 – the next Senior School open morning will be held on Tuesday 3rd March, 9.30am-12pm.

Kent College Fearless Girls Saturday 13th June 2020 – our activity day for Year 5 girls considering joining Year 7 in September 2021 or Year 9 in 2023 will be held on Saturday 13th June, 9am-4pm. It is a fun day of adventure and challenges, and a good way for girls to get a feel for Kent College.

St Gregory's Multi-Sports If your child is aged between 7 and 12 years of age and enjoys a range of sports such as Football, Tennis, Netball, Rounders, Cricket, Basketball, Badminton, Dodgeball and more, perhaps he/she would like to attend St Gregory's School, Reynolds Lane, TN4 9XL, on Wednesday 19th Feb, Thursday 20th Feb and Friday 21st Feb- 10 am – 3 pm, £15 per day. If two or more siblings then £12.50 each per day.

Please bring a packed lunch, plenty of fluids and snacks. Contact Noel Bradbury nbradbury@sgschool.org.uk (If you have any queries or further questions)

Letters Home

All Speakout poster Tonbridge
All Sama Karate
Y3,4,5 Cricket Club with G Marshall
All Bags2School flyer

Diary Dates

2020

14 th Jan	PTA Committee Meeting Staff room 7pm
16 th Jan	Superhero Census Day
22 nd Jan	O2 Concert for Senior Choir
24 th Jan	PTA BAGS2SCHOOL
7 th Feb	PTA Family Bingo
2nd March	Y2 Kent Life trip
1 st May	KS1 Disco
5 th Jun	KS2 Disco
15 th -19 th Jun	Y6 Isle of Wight trip
27 th Jun	PTA Summer Fair
18 th Jul	Y6 Leavers Party
12 th -16 th Oct	Y5 Carrotty Wood trip

Dates/times which have been changed or added **Class Assemblies – 2.45pm**

21 Jan	5 Hawthorn
28 Jan	3 Elm
4 Feb	3 Palm
11 Feb	3 Cedar
10 Mar	5 Bay
11 Mar	1 Cherry
18 Mar	1 Magnolia
25 Mar	1 Tulip
29 Apr	R Baobab

10 Jun	R Acacia
17 Jun	R Marula
1 Jul	2 Juniper
8 Jul	2 Willow
15 Jul	2 Hazel

Term Dates

14 th Feb	Term Ends
24 th Feb	Inset Day
25 th Feb	Term Starts
1 st Apr	Term Ends
16 th Apr	Term Starts
8 th May	Bank Holiday
22 nd May	Term Ends
1 st June	Term Starts
22 nd July	Term Ends