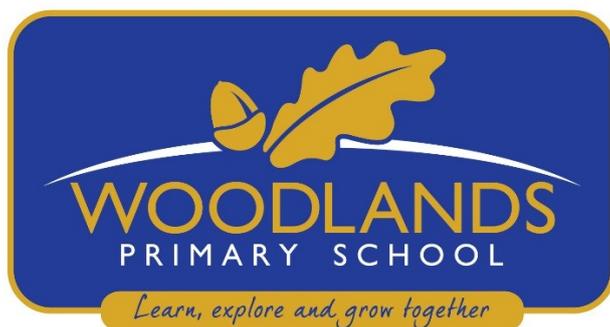


# Woodlands Weekly



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*The School Council decided to share the views of pupils this week and focus on some areas for improvement in assembly—read on to find out more. In Year 5 and 6, we looked at the children's important responsibility of being role models and how our conduct can define us in the eyes of others.*

*3 Palm impressed us all with their fabulous assembly on 'Water' this week. We learnt about the water cycle, water in its three states (water vapour, water and ice) and considered how to look after our oceans. Congratulations to staff and pupils—a brilliant assembly!*

*Yesterday, Mrs Brown led the upper school in their outdoor learning day. Details and photos will follow next week but it is fair to say that a fantastic time was had by all. Thank you to all staff for planning their activities and well done to all those who took part—fresh air, collaboration, problem-solving and learning new skills. What a treat!*

*Have an outdoor-tastic weekend, if you can!*

Vicki Lonie  
Headteacher

## **Mrs Woodger Baby News**

A belated congratulations to Mrs Woodger, who gave birth to Samuel Joseph on Wednesday 6th November weighing an impressive 10lb 5!

How gorgeous!



## **Change for Life Roadshow**

At the Change for Life Roadshow on Thursday 30th January our children in Year 4 learnt all about having a balanced diet that includes fruit, veg, protein, carbohydrates and healthy fats. Getting to ride a bike with a blender attached was by far the best part. They got to



make delicious smoothies that included bananas, raspberries, milk, strawberries and blueberries! They now all understand how important it is to live healthily and are going to make sure they do 60 active minutes every day!

## **Safer Internet Day 11th February**

Safer Internet Day will be celebrated globally on the 11th February 2020 with the theme: Together for a better internet. The day is a great opportunity to spark a conversation about the safe and responsible use of technology, and to inspire young people to create a better internet for the future. Please take the time to have a look at the link below for lots of top tips, information and resources to share with your child.



Safer Internet Day  
2020 | Tuesday  
11 February  
Together for a better internet

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2020>

We will be holding Key Stage based assemblies on the theme of 'Together for a better internet' and the children will be involved in a variety of activities during the week.

Please also take a moment to look at the attached flyer 'Exploring identity online conversation starters'.



Year Group	% Attendance
R	95.4
1	95.5
2	97.0
3	93.3
4	94.9
5	96.3
6	95.4

### School Council News

On Monday, the School Council undertook the assemblies in both KS1 and KS2. They spoke about 3 areas they felt passionate about and wanted to highlight: Listening to teachers, Listening to each other, and walking around school. They all gave their opinions and reasons why it is important to listen in class and to their friends. The children acted different scenarios to help put their opinions across. They were given a round of applause at the end. Well done School Council!

### World Book Day Thursday 5th March

#### Annual 'Read In' Thursday 5th March 6 - 7 pm

We will be celebrating World Book Day at Woodlands on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Children are encouraged to come to school dressed up as one of their favourite book characters. We are looking forward to sharing lots of book related fun during the day.

In the evening children are invited to return to school with a parent or carer to enjoy our annual 'read in'. This will start at 6pm with a whole school story in Oak Hall. After this, members of staff will be residing in Oak building to read bedtime stories until 7pm. If children would like to wear their pyjamas they are very welcome to do so. Children need to be accompanied by an adult for this event.



### Feast

FEAST is running again during half term and bookings opened on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. There are 6 dates to choose from, each with a different menu. Come and have lunch, then top up your shopping from the community larder. Please feel free to book if your family are on a low income, receive free school meals or are in receipt of any type of benefits. Honestly there is no catch, and we don't ask for proof of income. Please speak to Mrs Hardcastle or look at [www.feast.org.uk](http://www.feast.org.uk) for more details.



### After School Football Clubs with Mr Heath

Due to the continued poor condition of the school field, we have decided to cancel Girls Football Club (Mondays) and Football Club (Tuesdays) for the rest of this term. Hopefully, this will allow the pitches to dry out enough for us to restart clubs again after the school holiday.



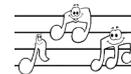
Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

### Superstar Corner

Congratulations to Hana in 6 Nutmeg who has been playing Veruca Salt in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in front of 200 people per event for six performances throughout January and February 2020. Noda reviewed the show and said 'Hana Woods performed a credible Veruca Salt, one precocious child who wants everything. Her demise was down the rubbish chute after being attacked by squirrels who performed a delightful squirrel nutcracker dance, closely and gamely followed by her parents – Merlin Beedell and



Ros Knight! To all those who participated a 'very well done' for a fun experience – the audience very happily laughing and clapping along with the fine-tuned choreographed 'Candyman'.'



### Music News

Senior Choir - a Parentmail has been sent out concerning the choir competition in March. Please fill in and return the permission slip as soon as possible so that we can submit numbers. All children should attend all rehearsals and learn their song words so that we can put on a really good performance to all the parents and the judges! The choir will be singing again at our concert at the end of term (1st April) so there is a chance for all the children to perform.

Year 3 will be learning the recorder in Term 4 in their music lessons. All children will be issued with a recorder and tutor book, but if your child already has a recorder he/she is welcome to bring it in on Wednesdays for the lesson. There will be a permission slip to return if you wish your child to bring the recorder pack home to practise.

Tonbridge Primary Schools orchestra afternoon: This is an event that will run at Hugh Christie school on 20th March, organised through Kent Music. It is for KS2 children who have been learning an instrument for at least one year. We are hoping to be able to participate in this. Please look out for more information shortly.

Instrumental lessons: Our instrumental teachers in school can be contacted as follows: our drumming teacher Dale Frost: [dale@tonbridgedrumstudio.com](mailto:dale@tonbridgedrumstudio.com). He teaches on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Nicky Catterwell: (wind and brass) can be contacted on 07713 164930 or at [n.catterwell@hotmail.co.uk](mailto: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](http://www.kent-music.com) or telephone: 01622 691212.

For guitar lessons (waiting list) contact Tom Williams: [tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com](mailto:tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com) / 07736051082

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

### **The Contract Dining Company Menu Change for Tuesday 25th February**

Please note that The Contract Dining Company will be offering pancakes and NOT cinnamon apple crumble with custard as stated on their menu on Tuesday 25th February 2020. The rest of the menu will remain as printed.

### **Lost Property**

The red box in Acorn building is overflowing with lost property! Any items not claimed will be sent to a charity shop at the end of term.  
Please remember to name **ALL** your child's belongings.

### **PTA News**

Our first bingo night is tonight! Thank you to everyone who has pre-bought tickets. Please head to the Oak Hall where you will be given your initial game cards for the evening!

If you would still like to come and haven't pre-booked, don't worry, tickets will be available on the door.

We are running a cash bar and will be serving food. Please remember to bring cash as this is our only method of payment. We kindly ask not to bring your own as this is a fund raising event.

To give you an idea of prices:

#### **Food**

Jacket potatoes: £3 with beans, tuna mayo or cheese

#### **Snacks**

Crisps: Pom Bears 50p, Doritos and Pringles £1

Chocolates: Malteser, KitKat, Aero grab bags £1, Freddo Frogs and Buttons 30p

Sweets: 20p Haribos, 5p lollies

#### **Bar**

Budweiser: £2.50, Ale £3,

Prosecco £12 per bottle, £3 per glass,

Wine (Red and White) £10 per bottle £2.50 per glass

Gin and Tonic: £3

Bacardi mixer: £3

Non Alcoholic Budweiser: £2

#### **Soft drinks**

Cans £1

Water, still and sparkling: 50p

Squash: 20p

**OUR NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday 3rd March 7pm in the staff room. At this meeting we'll be planning our events for the next term - everyone is welcome!**

### **Community News**

**Rainbow Out of School Clubs Ltd** have now set the dates for the Summer Holiday Club at Woodlands Primary School. The Club will run from Monday 27th July 2020 until Friday 14th August 2020. Information can be found at [www.rainbowschoolclubs.com](http://www.rainbowschoolclubs.com), with bookings via telephone 07717214041 or email to [contact@rainbowschoolclubs.com](mailto:contact@rainbowschoolclubs.com)

### **Letters Home**

- All Operation Encompass letter
- Y3 Horton Kirby trip letter
- All Parents and Carers Conversation starters

### **Diary Dates**

#### **2020**

25th Feb-27th Mar	PTA Copper Challenge
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Y2 Kent Life trip
3rd Mar	PTA Committee meeting 7pm in the Staff Room
4th Mar	YR Chatham Historic Dockyard trip
4th Mar	Y1 Leeds Castle trip
5th Mar	World Book Day
5th Mar	Annual Read-In 6-7pm Oak Building
9th-13th Mar	CDC Around the World week
9th Mar	Year 5 Kent Test (11+) Info Meeting in Acorn Hall 6.30pm
17th Mar	Parent Consultations (Details next term)
17th Mar	Scholastic Book Fair 3.30-6.30 in Acorn Hall
19th Mar	Parent Consultations (Details next term)
19th Mar	Scholastic Book Fair 3.30-6.30 in Acorn Hall
20th Mar	Mothers' Day Cream Tea (details to follow)
24th Mar	Y6 IOW & SATS Meeting in Acorn Hall 6.30pm
25th Mar	Mothers' Day Cream Tea (details to follow)
26th Mar	Tonbridge Schools Choir Competition
1st Apr	Music Concert 2.30pm
20th Apr	Y3 Horton Kirby trip
27th Apr	Y6 Safety in Action trip
1 <sup>st</sup> May	KS1 Disco
5 <sup>th</sup> Jun	KS2 Disco
11th Jun	KS2 Music Evening Oak Hall 7pm
15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Y6 Isle of Wight trip
25th Jun	Sports Day
27 <sup>th</sup> Jun	PTA Summer Fair
2nd Jul	Transition Day
18 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Y6 Leavers Party
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y5 Carrot Wood trip

Dates/times which have been changed or added in light blue.

### **Class Assemblies – 2.45pm**

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

**2020/2021**

1st Sept	Inset Day
2nd Sept	Inset Day
3rd Sept	Term Starts
23rd Oct	Term Ends
2nd Nov	Term Starts
18th Dec	Term Ends
4th Jan	Inset Day
5th Jan	Term Starts
12th Feb	Term Ends
22nd Feb	Term Starts
1st Apr	Term Ends
19th Apr	Inset Day
20th Apr	Term Starts
28th May	Term Ends
7th Jun	Term Starts
2nd Jul	Inset Day
21st Jul	Term Ends

**2021/2022**

1st Sept	Inset Day
2nd Sept	Term Starts