

Woodlands Weekly



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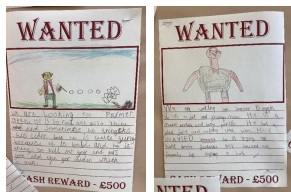
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Newsletter No. 21

We've had a great start to the term – the children are working really hard and showing lots of kindness and CARE – which is our focus core value this term. I have to wear a sling from time to time due to a shoulder issue and I was bowled over by the amount of concern and care shown by pupils (and parents) from across the school this week. It really warms the heart!

Despite the excitement of 'Break the Rules' day last week and the upcoming World Book Day, the children are beavering away across the curriculum....

In Year 1, the children have been counting to 50 in ones and tens. We have been using straws and Dienes blocks to help us.



In Year 2, the children have made wanted posters to try and find these dastardly critters! Can you figure out which book they are from?

This week, Year 3 has been learning about rhyming list poems, inspired by the poem 'Sound Collector' by Roger McGough. Whilst in school, they have been collecting the sounds they hear. It has been lovely to see so many enthusiastic learners going home to do one of their houses. Here is an example poem from Scarlett in Year 3. Can you guess which area of the house each stanza refers to?

A mum called this morning
Dressed all in black and grey
Put all the sounds into a bag
And carried them away

The clicking of the lid
The whistling of the kettle
The turning of the door handle
The scraping of the metal

The whooshing of the wind
The barking of the dog
The creaking of the fence
The croaking of the frog

The bouncing of the bed
The growling of the snore
The running of the tap
The shrieking of the yawn

A mum called this morning
She didn't leave her name
Left us only silence
Our house will never be the same

Both air blowing,
 through my hair,
 as I ride in the
 country wind,
 feel a rush,
 swinging, spinning,
 swing to singing,
 then.
 as fast as a rabbit,
 I slip to get something
 out of my pocket
 having done nothing,
 as I might say,
 Doodle song in the
 morning light.
 They are like
 red and yellow
 spots in the
 school sky.
 The dancing sun makes
 me feel dancing feet.
 Move feet now.
 as you see them as a dove.
 I say be happy as my eyes
 look in the daylight,
 wonderful from mist.
 Take a piece
 of a dancing bee in a polka-dog.
 yes, you are in a bee.

from the seat of my bike

It begins just as I begin my track,
I am on my bike and I will never turn back,
or my left leg is a river,
it was my leg, it made no answer,
or my right leg, it spoke a sleep dose,
but on my seat bike I can not sleep,
though the world has a big tree,
it was is about to fall over because it is amazing now.

The tree, looked like it was about to fall,
So I had to go away from the fall,
On side of a tree,
I did not think that I would fall.

I have a heart and I tried to say hi,
But he was to go away so I had to say goodbye,
As I cried out a bark,
To my right I saw a such answer,
There it was the good bird,
I was so sure that I was reaching this end.

by Freddie Shornbeam

While on the subject of our environment, Mrs Brown will be leading a litter picking session from 10am to 12 on 16th March for parents and children. Please do join in!

The logo for The National SMSC Silver Mark. It features the text "The National" in a small font above the large, bold letters "SMSC". Below "SMSC" is the text "Silver Mark". The entire logo is encircled by the words "SPIRITUAL MORAL - SOCIAL CULTURAL" in a circular arrangement.

Best wishes, Vicki Lonie

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What did the cheese say to the mirror?
Hallumi,
Mr Taylor, 5 Sycamore

Please contact the school business manager for bookings on SBM@woodlands.kent.sch.uk



Please note—NO FOOTBALL KITS!

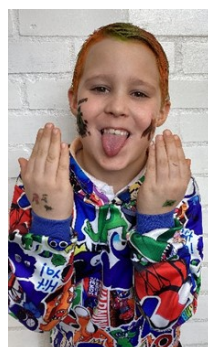
Break the rules day

Well done to all those who took part. Fortunately, the children stuck to the given rules to break! Great idea from the PTA to raise funds while giving the children a lot of fun!



(Hand gestures are 'rock and roll' and 'love and affection' –

have checked closely!! ↑



This polite boy asked if he could 'be rude and stick out his tongue' for fun. What good manners! ←

Letters Home

- Woodwind Ad
- Barracudas Easter 24

Sporting update:

Last Thursday, eight children from Years 3 and 4 took part in a football tournament in what can only be describe as some of the worst conditions they've played in. The boys did amazingly well in tricky conditions and started off brightly with a 3-0 victory. The rain continued to pour and their next two games proved to be quite challenging with them recording a draw and a loss. Even though they didn't progress to the next stage of the competition, they played incredibly well in difficult conditions and myself and Mr Burns are proud of their achievements.

Guitar lessons

Tom Williams is now taking names for pupils who would like to start guitar lessons after half term! Acoustic/Electric Rock/Pop years 1 and up, beginners very welcome! Contact Tom: tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com / 07736051082



Reminder

Please be mindful of other parents and children when using the paths to and from school. There should be enough room for people not to be forced to walk in the mud.

School Football Team

On Thursday, Woodlands took two teams to the Year 5/6 boys 'Avenue to Angels' Tournament. On another wet afternoon, both teams looked to take fantastic league form into the competition.

Woodlands United were drawn in a tough group but started their tournament with a comfortable 1 – 0 win against Stocks Green. Their next match saw them play out a 0 – 0 draw against St Margarets Clitherow. Even though they dominated most of the match, they struggled to convert one of the many chances they had. Their third match saw them get back to winning ways, and comprehensibly beat Bishops Chavasse 3 – 0. The fourth match saw them play against Hildenborough A, who we knew would be tough opponents after playing them in the league. Once again, Untied were dominant throughout the match but they couldn't quite find the back of the net and the game ended 0 – 0. Unfortunately, we ran out of time for United to play their final match against Sussex Road, but we are hoping to play this game as they still have a chance to secure their place on finals day.

Goal scorers: Aaron G x 3 and Oli H



Woodlands City played with great intensity in their first match against Longmead and won comfortably 4-0. Their next game was against a young Slade team, who pushed City but the continued pressure saw the boys run out 2 – 0 winners. In their third game, the boys, who admitted they were below their best, struggled to find any rhythm and missed some great chances to grab all three points, which meant the game ended 0 – 0. City were asked to show a response to the previous match and they duly did. A calm, composed display of football saw them control the match from the beginning and they won 2-0. In their final game, City knew that a win would mean qualification to the 'Avenue to Angels'. Hildenborough B were their opposition and they proved difficult to breakdown due to being quite defensive but a incredible solo goal by Noah L proved to be the difference between the teams and City won 1-0 and therefore, finishing first in their group and progressing to finals day.

Goal scorers: Noah L x7, Kieron L and George M.

Once again, thanks to all the parents who came and supported. It doesn't go unnoticed from myself, Mr. Burns and the children. Your support means a lot to us all.

From Mr Taylor and Mr Burns

Parent Workshop

Tuesday 30th April, 2pm

‘Early Signs of ADHD in Girls’ run by Una Archer

- She keeps interrupting me mid-sentence...
- The state of her room...
- She gets upset so easily...

Is it her personality, or is it... ADHD? It can be really hard to tell, and that’s why so many girls with ADHD don’t get the right support. They end up struggling during lessons, in their friendship groups and at home.

Whether your daughter has strong ADHD traits or not, this workshop can give you more tools to understand your daughter, her world and help her feel more at ease with who she is.

We will cover:

- ADHD statistics and reasons why ADHD is overlooked in girls
- How inattention, hyperactivity and impulsivity show up in girls
- How ADHD can impact daily functioning: maintaining friendships, completing tasks, being organised, getting enough sleep, etc.
- Differences between neurotypical and ADHD brain
- Tips for supporting girls with ADHD traits

Term Dates

2023/2024

- Term 1: 01/09/2023—20/10/2023
- Term 2: 06/11/2023—15/12/2023
- Term 3: 02/01/2024—09/02/2024
- Term 4: 19/02/2024—28/03/2024
- Term 5: 15/04/2024—24/05/2024
- Term 6: 03/06/2024—23/07/2024

2024/2025

- Term 1: 02/09/2024 - 25/10/2024
- Term 2: 11/11/2024 - 20/12/2024
- Term 3: 06/01/2025 - 14/02/2025
- Term 4: 24/02/2025 – 04/04/2025
- Term 5: 22/04/2025 – 23/05/2025
- Term 6: 02/06/2025 – 22/07/2025

Diary Dates



2023/2024

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| 04th Mar | Year 1 Tonbridge Castle Visit |
| 07th Mar | World Book Day |
| 08th Mar | Family Bingo |
| 19th Mar | 3 Whitebeam Assembly, 2.45pm |
| 20th Mar | 3 Elder Assembly, 2.45pm |
| 21st Mar | 3 Birch Assembly, 2.45pm |
| 26th Mar | Year 4, Hever Castle |
| 27th Mar | Year 4 Musical showcase, 2.15 - 2.45pm |

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| 17th Apr | Year 5—Kent Test Information Meeting Via Teams |
| 30th Apr | Early signs of ADHD in Girls, 2pm |
| 19th Apr | Year 3 Rivers day—Horton Kirby |
| 11th Jun | 4 Walnut Assembly. 2.45pm |
| 12th Jun | 4 Chestnut Assembly, 2.45pm |
| 13th Jun | 4 Hazel Assembly, 2.45pm |
| 29th Jun | Summer Fair |
| 1st Jul—5th Jul | Year 6 Residential |

New dates/times in blue