

Woodlands Weekly



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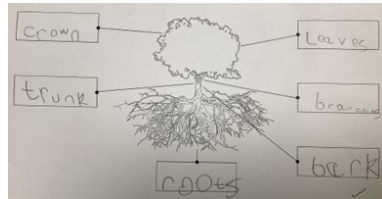
Newsletter No. 02

Another wonderful week, here at Woodlands.

Reception children have enjoyed staying for lunch this week and trying some tasty meals. They have carefully been carrying their trays to their tables and building on their independence skills! They have also been enjoying talking to their new friends in the dinner hall.



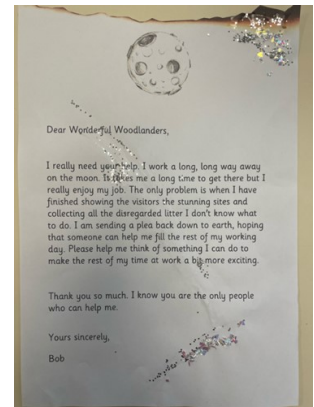
This week, Year 1 has been exploring trees. They ventured into the forest area to look at all the different trees Woodlands has and learnt about the different features including the roots, branches and the crown.



Year 2 had an exciting delivery from space this week. A mysterious letter arrived in the classroom from Bob the astronaut. Since then, Year 2 has read 'Bob's Best Ever Friend' and begun learning the story with actions. Can Year 2 remember who his best friend was?

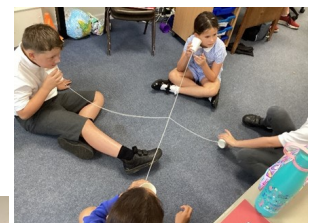


Year 3 has begun learning about the Stone Age. To immerse themselves and step into the shoes of the people, they tried using their fingers to create art! Can you work out what Bea and Matthew are painting?

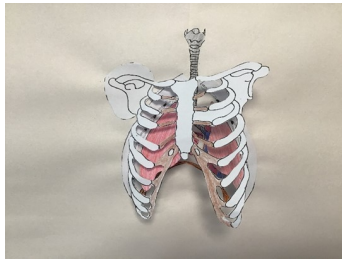
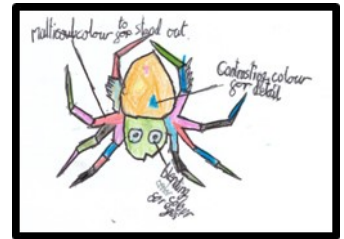


The year has started wonderfully well for all classes in Yr 4. Adapting to new classrooms and new routines has been the priority but there has been some time for some fun learning experiences.

In Science, they have started their topic on sound. They have learned that vibrations in the air make the sound waves travel to our ears and the strength of that vibration controls the volume. To demonstrate this, the classes used string telephones and learnt that the string has to be held straight to ensure that the message was received by the partner. Some groups joined up to see if they could make a system where more people could still be understood by the group. The year group has been looking forward to Viking day today. Report and photos to follow next week.



In Year 5, the children have been looking at famous illustrators as part of their art topic this term. They have had a go at recreating different examples of illustrations and understanding the different techniques and colour patterns used for each of them. They put a great deal of effort into them with fantastic results. There are definitely some budding illustrators in Year 5!



Year 6 has been enjoying some practical science lessons this week, learning what our blood consists of and how it circulates our body. You may also want to ask your children who they voted into power and why in our most recent history lesson. Be prepared for a shock!

Many of year 6 have also sat their Kent Test this week. Thank you to everyone for making it a great environment in which to do their best!

As you will have read in the clubs parentmail that was sent this week, we are offering the usual range of clubs. Across the year EVERY teacher offers at least one club – some published, others by invite. As a large school, we offer more clubs than most schools and certainly more free clubs. It's always a bit of a shame to receive emails complaining about the offer – across the year and your child's journey through school, they will be offered a wide range of activities and opportunities led by hard-working staff and external providers. Remember – if it's childcare you are looking for, Rainbow Club is available before and after school. See the website for contact details.

Have a great weekend.

Vicki Lonie

French Club

Would you like your child to start learning French while it's still instinctive and lots of fun?

Pupils are invited to join a lovely, friendly group to learn French through games, songs and other fun activities. Sessions are held from 3:20-4pm on Tuesdays.



For more info and prices please contact CCK112@hotmail.com or 07884 255749

Please state your child's year group (everyone welcome) and that you are enquiring about French Club at Woodlands.

www.facebook.com/frenchclubtonbridge

www.instagram.com/frenchclubtonbridge

Superstar Corner

Lexie from 6 Hawthorn got 1st place and a complete clear round jumping 30cm at Team Tutsham Riding School, hosted by SMP.

School Lettings

Woodlands school are now able to offer lettings of the Oak Hall, Muga and Field.

Letting charges evening (up to 5pm) / weekend users:

Hall £20 per hour + £30 unlock and lock

Muga £35 per hour + £30 unlock and lock

Field £50 per hour + £30 unlock and lock

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

Year 2

Year Two is very excited to be visiting the Methodist Church on the morning of Tuesday 24th September as part of their RE topic about 'Sacred Places'.

If you are able to walk the children to and from the church, we would be very grateful for your help. Please let your child's class teacher know.

Reminders

- When reporting your child's absence, please ensure you are descriptive with the reason. Stating your child is poorly or ill, is not enough information.
- The school gates are closed promptly at 8.50am every morning by Mr Revell, please make sure you have delivered your child/ren to their classroom/s and vacated the school site by this time.

Woodwind Lessons

If your child is interested in learning a woodwind instrument, please contact Nicky Catterwell on n.catterwell@hotmail.com or 07713 164930.

For more information, please visit her website www.nickycatterell-flautist.co.uk

PTA

Well done to our PTA – not only have they already been involved in an event (great work on the Dragon Boat racing) but they have now met to plan the diary of events for the year ahead. Having raised funds for the KS1 play equipment, they are now saving for a class set of laptops for KS2. Please do ask how you can help them – the more people to help, the less there is to do!

Remember to bring any unwanted clothes to the clothes bin around the corner in the car park to help raise money – but no second-hand pants please!!

Diary Dates

2024/2025

18th Sep	Whole School Flu Vaccination
11th Oct	Reception 2025 Open Morning 9.30—11am
26th Oct	Fireworks Night
12th Oct	5 Rowan Bewl Water
13th Oct	5 Hornbeam Bewl Water
14th Oct	5 Sycamore Bewl Water
14th Nov	Evacuee day at the Church
18th Nov	Reception 2025 Open Morning 9.30—11am
03rd Oct	Year R and 6 NCMP (height and weight check)
13th Dec	Year 6 WWII song for concert to parents - Oak Hall
13th Dec	Yr 3 Carols at the Methodist Church, time TBC
16th Dec	Year 1 Christmas performance, 2pm
17th Dec	Year 1 Christmas performance, 9.30am
19th Dec	Year 2 Christmas performance, 2.15pm
20th Dec	Year 2 Christmas performance, 9.30am

Term Dates

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

Letters Home

- Baby and Toddler Zone
- Toast Club
- PTA Fireworks