

WOODLAND NEWS - December

Dear families and friends,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to spending time together with family and friends over the Christmas holidays. Festivities have already begun in school and a tingle of excitement is in the air. We have lots to look forward to here at Woodland in the next couple of weeks and we hope you will be able to join us for some of the events. Please see the table below with the upcoming dates for your diary!

100% Attendance draw winners:

We had almost 100 children with 100% attendance during the month of November. Not missing a single session of school for a whole month is a fantastic achievement. The names of all of these children was entered into a prize draw to win one of 12 'Tony's Chocolate Advent Calendars'. Congratulations to our lucky winners: Austeja, Charlie, Lennox, Arsh, Charlie, Logan, Elena, Jake, Kaiden, Kian, Emily and Orestas. Our prize draw for December gives any children with 100% attendance for the 16 school days of December a chance to win one of three festive chocolate hampers. And all you need to do is come to school every day!



School Christmas lunch:

Children will be served a traditional Christmas lunch in a festive atmosphere on Monday 11th December. A vegetarian option is also available along with the usual choices of sandwiches and jacket potatoes will also be available for anyone not wanting the Christmas option.

Christmas Fair:

Our Christmas Fair also provides an opportunity for the children to develop their enterprise skills. Each class has a budget and is challenged to sell which enable them to make a profit. Classes get very competitive and all proceeds go in to school funds to buy treats for the children during the year. Parents attending the fair should enter via the main reception area then make their way down to their child's class where they can sign them out to go around the fair together. We look forward to seeing you all there!



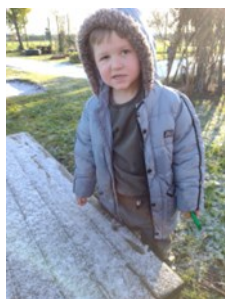
May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year!
Mrs Dodson (Head teacher)

Term dates for this school year and the next school year can also be found on the school website:

UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY	
Friday 8th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 11th December	Children's Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Fair
Monday 11th December	EYFS Christmas Performance to Parents
Friday 15th December	Y5 & 6 Christmas Performance to Parents
Monday 18th December	Y1 & 2 Christmas Performance to Parents
Tuesday 19th December	Y3 & 4 Christmas Performance to Parents
Friday 22nd December	School closes for Christmas holidays
Tuesday 9th January	Return to school from Christmas holidays

Attendance Celebrations!		
Target 96%	Attendance in November	Attendance since September
FS2	96%	95%
Year 1	93%	92%
Year 2	97%	96%
Year 3	95%	94%
Year 4	97%	97%
Year 5	94%	94%
Year 6	94%	94%
Whole school	95%	94%
Well done to FS2, Year 2 and Year 4!		

FS1/FS2 - Mrs Lazenby and Mrs Godwin



EYFS have been watching the leaves disappear from our tree. We have been investigating the rain and the ice and snow and finding out why the snow melts.



Year 1 - Miss Hanson

Year 1 have been exploring how our school grounds change across the seasons, and we have found some Autumn leaves to study! We have also been learning all about locational knowledge in geography, understanding what maps are used for and using them to locate the four countries of the United Kingdom.



Year 2 - Mrs Trever and Miss Wilkinson



Year 2 have been working on their running stitch for their DT project. we can't wait for you to see the final results. In our PE lessons with Tigers Trust we have been developing our hand eye coordination. We



have found this tricky but none of us have given up!

Year 3 - Miss Olsson

Year 3 have had a busy November - we went on our school trip to the museum learning more about the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Also, we have been working with Dynamic Drains learning about drains, habitats and flooding.



We are excited for our Christmas festivities to start!



Year 4 - Miss Iveson

Year 4 have really enjoyed learning all about earthquakes and volcanoes in geography, over the last few weeks and as a result they produced some fabulous explanation texts.



In History, they are learning about the Romans and exploring why the Roman army was so successful. Well done Year 4!



Year 5 - Miss Moore

Year 5 are really enjoying making their own videos during their animation lessons in computing.



Year 6 - Miss Sumpton

Year 6 have participated really well in their music lessons this term. We have been practicing our singing techniques and playing with different styles of music!



The Hub

In the Hub we have explored advertisements and looked at the ways they persuade us to purchase their products. We then created our own advert for the Wicked Witch, from the story The Jolly Postman!

