



Staff and governors would like to wish all of our families a very happy and peaceful 2022. Please keep visiting our school website for all our latest news and to check our school calendar for important dates.

**OPEN ENROLMENT
PRIMARY 1
SEPTEMBER 2022
ONLINE APPLICATIONS
OPEN ON 10 JAN AND
CLOSE AT
12 NOON ON
28 Jan 2022**

**HALF TERM HOLIDAY
School will be closed
Mon 14 – Frid 18 Feb22**

EARLY BIRD CLUB

A reminder that the Early Bird Club is running from 8.15 am – 8.45 am each day at a cost of £1.50 a day.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO
SEND A COAT WITH YOUR
CHILD IN WINTER MONTHS.**

The children will be outside at playtime unless there is heavy rain or very icy conditions. It is essential that all coats and items of uniform are named to avoid confusion.

The classrooms will be well ventilated to help prevent the spread of the virus so parents may want to get children to wear a vest or long sleeve t-shirt under their school t-shirt for extra heat.

It is lovely to see the children all back in school. This term we are focused on settling back into the school routine and ensuring all children are motivated to learn. Staff are mindful of children's wellbeing as we work on developing children's literacy and numeracy skills across the curriculum. We will be re-introducing 'Well-being Wednesday' activities this term. Parents can support us by ensuring that their children are in a good bedtime routine as tiredness can effect concentration and behaviour. We are continuing to encourage P4-7 children to read in school and at home to continue to develop their literacy skills. Please encourage your P4-7 child to read **at least 15 minutes** each day at home to help them to achieve their AR Target.

IMPORTANT DATES

5 Jan	New term, Early Bird and After School Clubs commence
6-7 Jan	EA MUSIC Tuition commences (flutes & violins)
7 Jan	Swimming commences for P7 (P6 swimming has been postponed until next term due to COVID restrictions affecting the Leisure Centre) Money paid by P6 parents will be carried over until next term.
10 Jan	P1 Online Portal Opens for applications for Sept 2022
11 Jan	Guitar lessons commence
17 Jan	Visit from Dogs Trust (postponed from December)
2 Feb	Education Minister Visit to Woods PS to highlight the school accommodation needs
7 Feb	P7 Internet Safety Event 'BEAM' 10.30-12noon
7-11Feb	INTERNET SAFETY WEEK AT WOODS PS
11 Feb	LAST DAY OF TERM – normal closing time
14-18	HALF TERM HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
3 March	World Book Day – Dressing up as favourite book characters and completing literacy activities in class.

ECO - SCHOOL – UNIFORM PRE-LOVED

Need a spare uniform or replacement item? Part of the ECO work in school is to re-use items and help to reduce waste. Families have donated like new uniform items and these are available for a small contribution to school funds (£2 per item). These items are pre-loved and in good condition. Our ECO Committee will be available to help parents and sell items as part of our recycling initiative. If you are interested in receiving items, please list the details below and return the reply slip ASAP to the school office. This will help us to have the items ready for you to collect. We will let you know when you can collect them.

MOBILE PHONE POLICY IN SCHOOL



Parents are reminded that we do not permit pupils to bring mobile phones into school. We also do not allow pupils to bring into school SMART watches or any device that records videos or takes photos. This is to help prevent issues arising in school where expensive personal items are damaged or lost. It also prevents recordings being made and distributed without consent. If a child does bring in a mobile phone or smart watch it will be given to the teacher for safe keeping and given back at the end of the school day. We realise this may be disappointing for some pupils but we all need to work together to help keep our children safe and respect each other. Thank you for your understanding.

School Money App



This new payment system seems to be working very well but there are just a few families still not booking in for dinners and clubs. For this system to work effectively we need everyone to do their part. Please note dinners must be booked in advance. If there is anyone experiencing any difficulties with the App, please phone Jayne in the office and she will try to get issues resolved ASAP. Parents should go into the **Parent Consent section** of the Menu and click on the consent button if they are signing their child up for a club or activity. This will record a parent's consent for their child to participate in the activity and help us to reduce the amount of paper we are using in school. **If you are paying for '123 club' we would also ask you to complete the paper Registration form as well. This will be an easy way for us to see how your child will travel home. Please make sure that your child knows if they are having a school dinner or packed lunch each day.**

Charity Work in School

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Charity work in Term 1. We are happy to be able to help others in this way. Thank you also for the contributions made to school funds in lieu of the Christmas Concerts. We hope you all managed to get some time to watch the Christmas videos on the website. If you need to access these again and have forgotten the password, please contact the school office.

Macmillan Cancer Care Donations	£940.00
Poppy Appeal	£453.64
Christmas Concert Donations to School Funds	£403.00

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ECO Pre-Loved Uniform Sale January 2022 **I would like to purchase the following items of uniform:**

ITEM _____ SIZE _____

ITEM _____ SIZE _____

ITEM _____ SIZE _____

ITEM _____ SIZE _____

Signed: _____ (Parent) _____

We will be in touch to let you know what items we have in stock, let you know when to send in your donation and to give you a collection time.

Thank you for your support.