

PAYMENT VOUCHERS

We would appreciate it if any parents paying After School/123/Early Bird clubs by voucher would itemize these clubs and name the child on their payment.

BUILDING INDEPENDENCE

Now that your children have settled into class again we request that in the morning P2 - P4 are left at the front door and children from P5 - P7 should be left at the gate. ALL parents should watch until their child walks safely in through the front door. This gradually builds independence in your child. Parents of P1 children are welcome to come in with their child, if needed. The aim should be to leave them at the top of the corridor, working towards dropping off at the front door after Half Term.

PE UNIFORM

This should be sent to school in a named bag ASAP.

- Sky blue round neck t-shirt with motif (available at RA Cuddy)
- Navy shorts
- Navy track bottoms/leggings for cooler weather
- Black plimsols for indoor PE lessons. Trainers will only be needed for certain outdoor activities and you will be notified when they are required.

We would remind all parents to name each item of PE Kit, uniform and coats to avoid confusion and help to prevent loss.

VISITING OUR SCHOOL

The Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy states that all visitors should sign in at the office when entering the building.

If you need to talk to the teacher, please speak to the secretary to arrange a suitable time to visit school or phone and have a chat. Thank you for your support.

LOST PROPERTY

ADULT SIZE burgundy gilet/body warmer found in the school car park – please see Jayne in the office if this item belongs to you.

Parents, can you help us?

We need some help from parents over the next year to help our school provide a broad range of experiences for our children. If you are willing to assist with After School sessions in Football, Hockey or Art and Craft, please let us know. **If you are willing to do this voluntary work please complete the reply slip attached and return to school ASAP.**

ECO WORK AT WOODS



Recycling Batteries

We can recycle old household batteries at school. If you have any, please send them into school and put them in the red collection box at the front door.

ECO COUNCIL 2019/20 - Class representatives have been elected and badges presented in assembly. Look out for updates on the website about our work during the year.

ECO UNIFORM SALE

Thank you to the families who attended the recent sale. We raised £18 for school funds from recycling items of uniform.

FLU IMMUNISATIONS P1-7

THE SCHOOL NURSE TEAM WILL BE IN SCHOOL ON 16 OCTOBER 2019 IN THE SCHOOL HALL TO ADMINISTER THE FLU IMMUNISATIONS P1-7. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD'S CONSENT FORM HAS BEEN RETURNED TO SCHOOL.

SPONSORED 'DITCH THE DARK' FUN RUN AT WOODS P S

WE ARE PLANNING A WHOLE SCHOOL SPONSORED FUN RUN IN BRIGHT, FLUORESCENT SPORTS CLOTHING ON **FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER**, DURING SCHOOL HOURS. THE CHILDREN WILL PARTICIPATE ONE CLASS AT A TIME IN A FUN RUN AND OBSTACLE RACE. THE REMAINING CLASSES WILL SPECTATE TO CREATE A SPECIAL ATMOSPHERE AND ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR RUNNERS! THIS WILL HELP KEEP EVERYONE FIT AND HOPEFULLY RAISE SOME MUCH NEEDED SCHOOL FUNDS. **SPONSOR CARDS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BEFORE 25 OCTOBER.** THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY. THIS MONEY WILL ENHANCE THE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES FOR ALL OF OUR PUPILS.

Positive Behaviour Policy Review

This term we are working on reviewing our school policy with the whole school community. We have consulted the children about the rewards we give out in school and which prizes motivate them best. Each teacher has agreed a classroom management plan with their class detailing the shared values in their classroom and the rules they have agreed to help everyone to learn better in school. Star pupil certificates will be presented on Friday in assemblies to children who are working hard to demonstrate good behaviour in school and follow their class rules. We are introducing 'Applause Boxes' to allow children P4-7 to share their achievements outside of school e.g. piano exam, horse riding, gymnastics, football success, swimming certificate etc. It will also be used to celebrate if someone has been helpful in school or kind in the playground. This will take the form of a note being placed in the box by a pupil or member of staff and read out in class to give the opportunity to praise and encourage each other for good behaviour and achievements. Our aim is to help raise pupils' self esteem and self-worth, as well as promoting positive thinking about ourselves and others.



EXCEPTIONAL CLOSURES POLICY (In the event of extreme weather)

An exceptional closure is unplanned, and is due to unforeseen circumstances such as adverse weather conditions, power failure, or situations which affect the safety of pupils and staff.

In times of extreme weather, such as a heavy snowfall, the Principal will consider and carry out a risk assessment based on the following issues:

- Transport – Can buses, meal deliveries etc. reach the school, particularly if the unforeseen circumstances affect a large proportion of pupils?
- Can pupils and staff access the school building safely?
- Can pupils and staff be evacuated in an emergency?
- In an emergency, could the Emergency Services access the school?
- Is the area designated for disembarkation from transport safe for pupils?
- If a limited number of staff and pupils can attend, is the pupil teacher ratio acceptable?

The Principal will endeavour to make a decision at the earliest possible time. Decisions the night before can only be taken when all the indications are that adverse conditions will continue overnight.

Every effort will be made by the School Building Supervisor to ensure that the grounds and building are safe for use.

Should continuing severe weather conditions throughout the school day impact further on the risk assessment then a decision to close early will be communicated to parents and staff at the earliest possible time.

We would appreciate every reasonable effort by staff to get to work. It is essential that staff and parents/carers keep in communication with the school as to their current position.

In the event of school closure, the following procedures will be followed:

1. A note placed on the School website front page.
2. A text to a parent's mobile or if you wish to nominate an alternative number, please contact the school office with details.
3. If we decide to close early a text or telephone call from the school.
4. If in doubt, please phone the school.

It is always very important that parents make informed decisions on the safety of their children travelling on dangerous roads regardless of whether the school is open or closed.

Parents should not post details of school closures on social media sites.

This is not controlled by the school and, as happened previously, inaccurate information can quickly circulate in the community.

PARENTS WILLING TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL

- After School Clubs – Football/Hockey/Art And Craft/Other _____ YES/NO
- Supervise voluntarily on school trips YES/NO
- Gardening YES/NO

Please indicate your willingness to undergo an Enhanced Police Check to comply with our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy. YES/NO

Parent Name: _____ Child's Name: _____

123 CLUB HALF TERM PARTY FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER 2019 2 PM-3 PM
OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN IN P1 – P3

My child(ren) _____ will be attending the 123 Club Half Term party.

I enclose £2 per child: £ _____ **Please note if you have already signed your child up for every Friday this term you do not need to pay again. This is only for children who do not routinely use the 123 Club.**

Signed: _____ (parent) _____ (date)

Please ensure that you have your registration forms in school with payment in good time to secure your child's place in our 123 club after half term.

PRE-ADMISSION FORM

Education Authority policy dictates that all schools should make a 3-year financial plan. To assist us in making this as accurate as possible it would be very helpful to have a more accurate idea of future enrolment trends. With this in mind we are asking you to complete the attached pre-admission form and return it to the school office ASAP. If you know of any family, friends or neighbours who are considering sending their child to Woods Primary School it would be greatly appreciated if you could give them this form or ask them to contact the school so they can be added to our pre-admission list.

Please note that this form is for our information only and in the January of the year your child is to start school an official form must still be filled in.



**WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRE-ADMISSION FORM**

*Together we Learn
Together we Achieve*

PARENT'S NAME	ADDRESS	CHILD'S NAME	DATE OF BIRTH



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS NOVEMBER 2019 REPLY SLIP

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|---|-------------|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> P4-7 Netball | Name: _____ | Class: _____ £6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> P6 & P7 Christmas Art Club | Name: _____ | Class: _____ £4.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> P4 & P5 Christmas Art Club | Name: _____ | Class: _____ £4.50 |

I consent to my child/children attending the above ticked clubs and enclose _____ in payment for the clubs or have paid using online vouchers.

Parent Name: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____