

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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REMINDER TERM 3 HOLIDAYS

School will be closed to pupils on the following dates: 27, 28, 31 May 1 June

School term will end with a half day closing on Wednesday 30 June.

P1-3 11.45am P4-7 12noon.

Healthy Snacks

June £6.00 and September £6.60



Sports Day will be held outside in our class bubbles. We are planning for **Wednesday 9 June** weather permitting, or the first dry day after that.

Unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend due to restrictions. During the week commencing 7 June children should come to school in their trainers and wearing their PE Kit (shorts, t-shirt, school sweatshirt and raincoat/sun cream). We will be practicing races and doing sports outdoors this week.



We want to join with schools around Northern Ireland to celebrate the positive benefits that daily activity can have on our mental health. We will do the daily mile in our class bubbles as often as we can in the month of June. Please encourage your child to participate. No child will be forced to run. Walking is a great way to start to build up fitness.

We are glad to be back in school again and enjoying the busy routine. The children have all settled in well again and are making good progress. May was a busy month and June will also be busy for everyone as we try to fit in our normal teaching and some extra fun activities for the children. Covid 19 restrictions are still in place to help to keep our school community as safe as possible. We continue to be guided by the EA and the PHA in planning our school activities. We have had to alter the format of much of what happens in school. However, we aim to still provide high standards of education for all of our children. Unfortunately, we are still in a situation where parents are not permitted inside the school building and we cannot invite parents to sports day or prize day to avoid large group gatherings. We will endeavour to set up some online links to help you feel more involved in the special events. We will be in touch with groups of parents via the Seesaw App to give you more details.



26 May We are doing the 'Daily Mile' - Children wear trainers with uniform.

We will do this daily mile most days in June, weather permitting.

2 June P7 Cyber Crime and Online Safety session (PSNI)

3-4 June STEM Activities in Class

7-11 June Wear PE Kit each day this week for sports activities 9 June Sports Day - P1-7 wear PE KIT and trainers to school

10 June P2 Class Assembly

11 June Sponsored Activity Fun Run - Children wear own sports clothes

16 June P3 Class Assembly - Reflecting on Lockdown Experiences

18 June P1 Assembly on Staying safe in the Sun

23 June Pupil Reports to be sent home

25 June P7 Prize Day

28 June P1-3 FUN DAY - All children wear own clothes

29 June P4-7 FUN DAY - All children wear own clothes
30 June P1-3 Go home @11.45am P4-7 go home @ 12 noon

UNIFORM - For the month of June we are suggesting that all children come to school wearing trainers with their uniform if their school shoes are not suitable for running. We will be doing a daily mile and/or extra sports activities during the month, in between lessons. Children may wear summer dresses or grey school shorts instead of trousers. Girls can wear navy shorts or navy pants under their school skirts. PE Kit should be worn each day during the week 7- 11 June 2021.

Uniform Items Available (good condition) If you need a particular item of school uniform, please send a note into the class teacher or phone the office.

Parent Support - With everyone doing so much online shopping I want to remind you all that you can help us to raise extra money for our school by visiting this website before you shop online. All you have to do is visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk and select Woods Primary School before you begin to shop. The retailer will then donate a percentage to our school. Thank you all in advance for your support!

School Funds - Rather than asking parents to supply Stationery for their child in September we are asking for a £10 contribution to the school funds per child and we will provide the resources for your child to use in school throughout the year. This money should be paid to school on the first week of the new term commencing 31 August 2021. You may wish to still buy some items of stationery for homework use.

REMINDER - No toys should be brought to school.

Sponsored Activity Fun Run - 11 June 2021

All pupils may wear their own sports clothes on this day.



We need to raise more funds for our school to be able to continue to provide the extra resources that the children require in school. Sponsor cards will be sent home with each child and we would ask that they are returned to school **by Friday 11 June 2021** with money enclosed in a named envelope.

Unfortunately, the budget provided to our school is reduced due to the fact that we have a very low percentage of pupils entitled to free school meals. In order to be able to continue to provide the very best opportunities for all pupils we will need to continue to fundraise. We trust that all of our parents and our local community will continue to support us as we strive to provide the best learning experiences for all of our children.



Dates for your calendar 2021-22

Beginning of term – P1 children are invited to their Induction Day on Friday 27 August (separate details will be issued to each family).
P7 are also starting back to school on Friday 27 August. They will go home at 12.30 pm.

The whole school will commence school on Tuesday 31 August 2021 (no kitchen service on this date) with the following going home arrangements: P1 12.15pm P2-4 12.25pm P5-7 12.35pm.

Dinners will commence on <u>Wednesday 1 September</u> and all classes will stay for dinner except P1 who will go home at 12.15pm. P1 pupils will stay until 2pm from Monday 20 September 2021.

School will open for all pupils at 8.45am and lessons will start at 9am.

We plan to have our Early Bird Club running from Tuesday 31 August 8.15-8.45am £1 a day.

Children attending this club will be part of this bubble as well as their class bubble.



P2 and P3 2pm P4 and P5 2.55pm P6 & P7 3pm





PLEASE CONTINUE TO VISIT OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR UPDATES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.