

Dear Parents and Carers,



We hope your family had a lovely Summer break and enjoyed the time together. Miss Riley certainly had a magical Summer as she married Mr Price to become Mrs Price. We also have new additions to the Woodland team - Miss Gregory in Y2RG and Mr Dovey as our very own sports coach rather than through a sports company, both staff already know Woodlands very well.

It has been a wonderful first week with a happy buzz in school. Children have settled very quickly into their new learning rooms with their new teachers, especially our youngest children. We believe that our five week transition during Summer 2 makes a significant difference to our children. Rather than spending time settling children into new routines and expectations, learning started from the moment that children arrived!

We had a small build over the Summer and created an additional learning space for small groups and interventions. And following the theme of woodlands, it is called The Oak Room.



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We have had two successful training days, the first day was safeguarding and key messages for the year ahead. For the second day we were led by Educational Consultant Dave Godfrey in a focus on decimals, fractions and percentages. All of which are a significant element of the Maths Curriculum.

We have many exciting plans for the new academic year which I shall share over the coming weeks. The first is a personal passion – the development of reading. It is our aim to help every child develop a love and enjoyment of reading. We have spent a very significant amount of money on a new reading scheme called The Bug Club. The books are topical, relevant and motivating, and hopefully will grab the attention of even the most reluctant reader. Plus the books can also be accessed as e books which is proven through educational research to motivate, especially boys. We would like to share more information about The Bug Club at our usual Parent workshops in a couple of weeks' time. (Letters will be sent on Monday) We shall also run an early evening session for our working parents.



Dates for the year and Autumn term are attached so you can pin them to the freezer!

It is lovely to be back, Mrs Newton



Don't our children look smart in their new 'House' t-shirts.



The leaf we are focussing on for the next two weeks from our vision is:

Identify next steps

The controversial question we are considering in school and to debate at home:

Why do we need next steps?



19.09.16 NHS Hearing Tests for Y1 in school
 19.09.16 Y2 and Y3 Parent Workshop 2:30
 19.09.16 YN Parent Workshop
 Morning Nursery at 11:00
 Afternoon Nursery at 2:30
 20.09.16 YR, Y1 and Y5 Parent Workshop 2:30
 21.09.16 6P Class Assembly 10:20
 21.09.16 Y4 and Y6 Parent Workshop 2:30
 27.09.16 Bug Club workshop 5:15
 28.09.16 5T Class Assembly 10:20
 4.10.16 Harvest Festival
 5.10.16 1H Class Assembly 10:20
 11.10.16 Parent Consultation for Y6 only
 12.10.16 Parent Consultation for Y6 only
 12.10.16 RE Class Assembly 10:20
 17.10.16 Y6 at Bryntysilio for the week
 17.10.16 Explore and Discovery week
 18.10.16 Parent Consultation
 19.10.16 Parent Consultation
 24 to 28th October Half Term
 31.10.16 EYFS Pumpkin Party 4:30
 8.11.16 Y1/2 Maths workshop for parents pm
 9.11.16 Individual photographs
 9.11.16 Y3/4 Maths workshop for parents pm
 10.11.16 Y5/6 Maths workshop for parents pm
 11.11.16 Non Uniform Day
 16.11.16 3P Class Assembly 10:20

18.11.16 Children In Need
 23.11.16 2G Class Assembly 10:20
 25.11.16 School closed for children
 27.11.16 Festival of Light at Methodist Church
 28.11.16 YRE Christmas lunch
 29.11.16 YRJ Christmas lunch
 30.11.16 Y1P Christmas lunch
 1.12.16 Y1H Christmas lunch
 2.12.16 Y2 Christmas lunch
 2.12.16 Christmas Fair
 5.12.16 Y3 Christmas lunch
 6.12.16 Y4 Christmas lunch
 6.12.16 Y6 Theatre Visit
 7.12.16 Y5 Christmas lunch
 8.12.16 Y6 Christmas lunch
 13.12.16 EYFS and KS1 Concerts
 14.12.16 Y3/4 and Y5/6 Concerts
 15.12.16 Y3/4 and Y5/6 Concerts
 16.12.16 Christmas Jumper Day and end of term

Dates for the year

Autumn Term 5th September to 16th December

Half Term 24th October to 28th October

Spring Term 3rd January to 7th April

Half Term 20th February to 24th February

Summer Term 24th April to 25th July

Half Term 29th May to 2nd June

Teacher Training Days

Monday 5th September

Tuesday 6th September

Friday 25th November

Monday 3rd January

Tuesday 25th July