



WOODTHORNE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER January 2016

LETTERS SENT HOME

Year 5 & Year 6 - Towers Education Centre

Year 1 - PE Kit

Whole School - Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1 - visit to Perton Centre

Year 4 - Panteinion Hall residential visit

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the parents and family members who came along to one or more of the performances that we held at the end of the Autumn term as part of our Christmas celebrations. Your generosity at these performances also helped us to raise £448 for Compton Hospice.

LEAGUE TABLES

Many parents have congratulated the school on our top 10 finish in the primary league table for Wolverhampton schools in the Express & Star, which was published just before we broke up in December. The league table showed how well our children in Y6 had performed in the SATs compared to schools across Wolverhampton. Once again, we are the top performing school in the Tettenhall locality. This is a reflection of all the hard work from the children and staff throughout the school as well as the support we receive from parents.

PUNCTUALITY PUSH

Please do your best to get your child in school on time every day. Our doors open at **8:45am** and children are **expected to be in class by 8:50am** to respond to teachers marking comments from the previous day. This will help children to move their learning on or address gaps/misconceptions. We are currently experiencing an increasing number of children arriving after 8:50am. Any children arriving after 9.00am receive a late mark on their attendance record. Missing the crucial start of a lesson can have a detrimental effect on your child's learning and may cause disruption to others.

HOLIDAY CLUB NUMBERS

We are currently experiencing low role numbers for our upcoming Holiday Club during half term (Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February). We will not be able to run the club if there are not enough children booked in. If you are intending to use the Holiday Club over half term can you book your child in by Wednesday 27 January so that a decision can be made.

PARENTS CONSULTATIONS

We have set two dates for this terms parent's consultations. These will take place on Monday 29 February and Wednesday 2 March. Letters will be sent out for you to make your appointments nearer the time.

YEAR 6 SATs

We will be inviting all year 6 parents to a meeting next month to explain what will be happening in the run up to SATs and how you can support your child. A letter will be sent out in the near future.

PTA

Thank you and well done to the PTA for making the Christmas Fayre an enjoyable success. The event was well attended and raised an amazing £1257. The PTA are planning a Chinese New Year Celebration to take place on Friday 12 February. You can come and enjoy an authentic Chinese meal by 'MINHS' of Tettenhall, some traditional Chinese entertainment and take part in a quiz. Places are limited and tickets go on sale at 8:30am on Tuesday 26 January in the Key Stage 1 hall.

FOOTBALL

Well done to Woodthorne Primary's football team. They have played in the following football matches before and after the Christmas break:

Woodthorne 0:3 Christchurch Juniors

Woodthorne 0:7 St Michaels RC

Woodthorne 5:0 The Giffard PS

The team have represented the school superbly both in defeat and with our first win against The Giffard. They have shown excellent team spirit and determination. We have our next match at home against Bantock Primary immediately after school on Friday 29 January. You are very welcome to come along and cheer the team on. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

CLUBS

As usual there are a lot of after school clubs happening this term:

MONDAY - Football (Key Stage 2)

TUESDAY - Spanish

WEDNESDAY - Football (Key Stage 1)

THURSDAY - Dance

FRIDAY - Karate

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parents consultations - Monday 29 February and Wednesday 2 March

Half term - Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February

Easter holidays - Friday 25 March to Monday 11 April inclusive (Good Friday and PD Day)

ADDITIONAL PD DAYS

The school will be closed for teacher training on the following days:

Monday 11 April 2016

Monday 6 June 2016

