



WOODTHORNE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

HEAD TEACHER: MR J CRILLY

NEWSLETTER October 2016

LETTERS SENT HOME

Year 1 - Mathematics Workshop
Year 5/6T - Swimming Lessons
Early Years & Key Stage 1 - Playground Safety
Year 4 - Bishops Wood Centre
Whole School - Book Fayre
Year 6, Year 5 & Year 3 - maternity leave cover

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO DATE - 96.5%. (SCHOOL TARGET IS 96%)

KEY STAGE 1 CLOSURE

Sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused by the closure of the Key Stage 1 and Early Years side of school on Friday 21 October - I can assure you that this decision was not taken lightly. Our heating system in this building had to be switched off due to a major leak. Repair work to the water pipes will be carried out over the holidays.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Harvest Festivals. They were both fantastic! Our children were fabulous as usual and entertained us with some wonderful performances. Thank you also for the generous donations of food. They were collected by The Good Shepherd Ministry who support the homeless and poverty stricken men, women and families of Wolverhampton.

PARENTS CONSULTATIONS

Parent's consultations are taking place after half term on Thursday 3 November & Tuesday 8 November. If you have not already made an appointment please do so, via the school office, as soon as possible.

DANCE CLUB

Do you know anyone who would be able to run a dance club at our school? If so please can you ask them to contact us - we would love to hear from them. There are lots of eager children that would make it worthwhile and the charge for use of the school hall is just £12 per session.

BONFIRE SPECIAL MENU

There will be a special Bonfire Night menu on Monday 7 November. Children can choose from sweet chilli hot dog jackets or veggie hot diggedy dogs with fire cracker beans, sweetcorn and chips. Sparkle sponge & custard or rocket ice lolly are available for dessert. The cost of this meal for Key Stage 2 children is £2.70. For all other children it is completely free.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The children had their photographs taken last week. If you wish to make a purchase, please can you return your order form to school by **Wednesday 2 November**.

USE OF PLAY APPARATUS

Please can I remind you that children are not allowed, under any circumstances, to use any of the outside play equipment - either before or after school.

PLEASE PARK AND STRIDE

Remember, if you 'park and stride' children benefit from a 5-10 minute walk, it also relieves traffic congestion and makes pedestrian access safer for our children.

Too many parents are parking illegally on the pavement immediately outside the school gates. This makes it difficult for cars to pass and dangerous for pedestrians.

We also experience problems with cars on school grounds during the day. If you are collecting your child from an after school activity you must always park outside the school grounds. Parents/Carers using Breakfast Club or After School Club are allowed to drive onto the school grounds. However, PLEASE do not park on the yellow box in front of the cycle shelter or anywhere along the driveway. Both of these areas MUST be kept clear at all times in case an emergency vehicle needs to access school grounds. The only other time cars are allowed on to school grounds during the day is to collect a child who is ill.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half Term holiday - Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October

Thursday 3 November & Tuesday 8 November - whole school parent consultations

Friday 4 November - Diwali activities

Friday 11 November - Black History Month activities

Tuesday 13 December - Early Years Nativity at 10.15am

Tuesday 13 December - Year 1 Nativity at 2.15pm

Tuesday 13 December - Year 4 Christmas production at 7.00pm

Wednesday 14 December - Year 1 Nativity at 9.30am

Wednesday 14 December - Early Years Nativity at 2.15pm

Friday 9 December - PTA Christmas Fayre

Thursday 15 December - Year 2 Carol Service at 2.00pm

Friday 16 December - KS2 Carol Concert at 2.15pm

Christmas holidays - Monday 19 December - Tuesday 3 January inclusive

