



# NEWSLETTER

Woodthorne Primary School Newsletter

November 2017

## Welcome

Welcome to the November Newsletter.

## Attendance

Our attendance is currently at 96.2% which is in line with national averages. This is a promising start to the year but could be even better. We understand that children (especially the younger ones) pick up bugs and viruses from time to time. If your child is going to be off, please remember to call the office so that we can authorise the absence.

## Book Fair

We will be hosting our annual book fair afterschool on Thursday 9th, Friday 10th and Monday 13th November. This will be located in our Reception Classroom which you can access through the main school entrance. The book fair is a great place to bring your children to promote their love of reading. Furthermore, for every book you buy, Woodthorne receives a sum of money to purchase further books for our library and classrooms. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Author Visit

In October, the children in KS2 received a visit from the author Rachel Delahaye, which was organised by the PTA. The children were truly inspired by Rachel and were taken on a magical journey to create their own masterpieces! Rachel started the day with an assembly, which encouraged the children to think about why writing is important and the significant role it plays in our lives. The children enjoyed the opportunity to have creative freedom and work collaboratively. You can find out more about Rachel and her books by visiting [www.racheldelahaye.com](http://www.racheldelahaye.com).

## Poppies

Children will have the opportunity to donate money to the Poppy Appeal this week for Remembrance Day. If you wish your child to have a poppy then we are asking for a minimum donation of 20p. Children will be able to make their donation at break times.

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## IMPORTANT

*Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are having to make some changes to previously published dates for the EYFS and the KS1 Nativity. Please see the reverse of this newsletter for all dates*

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## Say 'Cheese!'

*The school photographer will be in on 27th November to take individual and siblings photographs. Further information will be sent out nearer the time.*

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## PTA

### Christmas Fayre

Woodthorne Primary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) would like to invite you to their Christmas Fayre which takes place from 3.30pm on Friday 8th December.

We're hoping to bring you lots of fun, activities and Christmas shopping for all the family, to help raise funds for the school.

### Christmas Bauble Competition

If you would like to enter the Christmas Bauble competition please bring £1 to the school office no later than Monday 27th November. In return, you will be provided with a bauble for you to decorate at home. You must return it to school by Monday 4th December labelled with your name and class. They will be displayed in reception or the halls at the Christmas Fayre. There will be a prize for the winner of the best decorated bauble in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

### Christmas Cards

If you wish to order any Christmas Cards that your children have made, then please return your order to the school office by Wednesday 8th November. Alternatively, you can order online by Saturday 11th November.

## Future Dates... (\* denotes that it is an event for parents to come along)

- 7.11.17—Parent Consultations Evening \*
- 8.11.17—Reception Visit to Think Tank
- 9.11.17—Parent Consultation Evening \*
  - 9.11.17—Book Fair After School \*
  - 10.11.17—Year 6 Book Quiz Team
  - 10.11.17—Book Fair After School \*
  - 13.11.17—Book Fair After School \*
  - 15.11.17—Year 1 Visit to Weston Park
  - 17.11.17—Children in Need event
- 23.11.17—PTA Meeting re Xmas Fayre—2.00pm \*
- 27.11.17—School Photographs
- 30.11.17—Flu Spray Immunisations—Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4
- 8.12.17—Own Clothes Day for Xmas Fayre
  - 8.12.17—Christmas Fayre—3.30pm \*
- 14.12.17—Year 4 Christmas Production—9.30am \*
- 14.12.17—Year 4 Christmas Production—6.00pm \*
- 14.12.17—Year 2 Carol Service—2.00pm \*
  - 15.12.17—Year 1 Nativity—9.30am \*
  - 15.12.17—Year 1 Nativity— 2.15pm \*
  - 18.12.17—EYFS Nativity—10.15am \*
  - 19.12.17—EYFS Nativity— 2.15pm \*
  - 20.12.17—KS2 Carol Concert—2.00pm \*
  - 20.12.17—School breaks up for Christmas.
- 2.01.18—School closed for teacher training.
- 3.01.18—School reopens for Spring Term.