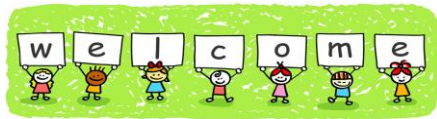


# Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2017

## New Staff

Better late than never, but we would like to officially welcome Sara Chilvers to Woodton as the Teaching Assistant in Oaks class. As you're all aware we have also welcomed Karen Taylor into the Office as our new Clerical Assistant.



## Oaks



The Oaks are investigating heart rate this week in Science. We are using column addition and subtraction with numbers up to 11 digits. Oaks are also using similes and metaphors in poetry writing. We are testing Times Tables Olympics on Monday.

## Maths Whizz

The results for the last two weeks are:

**Best Usage:** Feliks Wiseman, Myles Chenery, Betty Keal, Harvey Norton, Molly Inston and Molly Denny

**Most Improved:** Feliks Wiseman, Myles Chenery, Betty Keal, Skye Norton, Molly Denny and Molly Inston

Well done to all those children another fantastic effort, please keep up the good work.

## All Children

Please can we ask that all clothing has your child's names put in them, coats, tops, bottoms, P.E kits and shoes. Thank you.

## Willows



Please could Years 1 and 2 practice their 10 times tables.

In Literacy we have been looking at the story 'Funny Bones'

Please can full PE kits be brought into school at the beginning of each week.

## Willows

We would appreciate if you could work with us to encourage the children to get themselves dressed and undressed and put their items back in their bags, to help with their independence.

## School Times

A reminder that our school day starts at 8.40am and ends at 3.15pm. Please can we ask that children who are allowed to come to school unaccompanied do not arrive before 8.30am.



## Wellies and Coats

Please can all children have in school a pair of wellies, clearly labelled with their name in. As the weather is now getting wetter, the children will need wellies in order to play on the field. Children should also have a coat in school at all times.



## KS1 Universal Free School Meals

We order meals for all KS1 children everyday, if you do not require a lunch for your child please inform the office. Thank you



### Menu Changes

We have been advised by Norse of the following menu change

Week 1 - Wednesday - there will be mixed vegetables instead of Carrots & Broccoli.

Week 2 - Wednesday - there will be mixed vegetables instead of Carrots and Cabbage. Thursday - there will be Carrots instead of Broccoli.

Week 3 - Tuesday there will be Swede and Sweetcorn instead of Cauliflower and Sweetcorn.

Please note that the menu is subject to change in exceptional circumstances.



### Batman Special Lunch - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October

The children have brought home letters regarding a special Batman lunch on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October**. Please return these to the school Office by **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September**.



### Unlocked Project Years 3+5 ONLY

Following on from the previous letter detailing the project the children will be involved with using a computerised task, the company have asked you to please read a further letter regarding neuroimaging testing as a separate item.

Please read the letter and return any consents to us by **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September**.

Please note that this further neuroimaging test is not compulsory.

### Contact Details Form

We are still awaiting a few of these to be returned. Please can you check these as soon as possible and return them with any changes. It is very important to keep us updated with any changes to your contact details. If you have no changes, please still return the form for our records. Thank you

### Head Lice

We have had reports of head lice in School. Please check your child's hair over the weekend and treat accordingly. Thank you.

### Collection of children

Please let us know if there are any changes to normal pick up arrangements for your child, as if we are not informed we cannot let your child go.

### Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, you may be entitled to free school meals. This is a separate scheme to the Universal Free School meals for reception and KS1 children. If you think you may qualify, please pop into the school office for a form to complete.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be holding a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 06<sup>th</sup> October. We would appreciate any cake donations. Everyone welcome.



## UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



## SOLIHULL APPROACH

Have you ever wished parenting came with a manual? Ever thought your child was speaking another language? Ever looked at another family and wondered why their child follows instructions straight away? Yes? That's because there's no such thing as "perfect parenting." It's a trial and error system that sometimes works and sometimes is more of a challenge!

Which is why our schools have invested in the online Solihull Approach for every parent/carer to access for free. We'll be running drop-in afternoons so you can access the program using our laptops and Wi-Fi or just pop in for a coffee and a chat. Watch out for more information coming home in your child's book bag.



### Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** - Tapestry and Phonics meeting in the hall for Reception and Year 1 @ 8:45am.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** - Special Batman lunch

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October** - MacMillan Coffee Morning

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** - Harvest Festival at Woodton Church, details to follow

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** - End of Term

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October** - Return from Half Term

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November** - Oaks swimming starts. Letters have been sent out, please can these be signed and returned as soon as possible

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** - Special Bonfire Lunch - Letters to follow

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November** - 2pm Sharing Assembly

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November** - Tempest 9 - 11am, Individual and Sibling photos

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Willows Nativity - details to follow

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Children's Christmas Lunch - Further details to follow

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December** - Carol Service at the church 2pm - Further details to follow

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Last day of Autumn Term

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018** - First day of Spring Term

