

“Growing Together, Learning Forever”

WOODSTONE NEWS

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

We are now in a position to share some of our class information for the academic year 2023 -24. There are quite a few changes this year as you'll see and one or two other bits and pieces still to sort. As soon as we have more details we will let you know as we are hoping to interview for all the vacant posts in the next two weeks...

Reception - Mrs Leaney (Mon, Tues) Miss Clement (Wed, Thurs, Fri), Mrs Capstack, Miss Cain

Year 1 - Miss Pickering, Miss Bexton, Miss Davies (working between Years 1 and 2)

Year 2 - Miss Barnes, Mrs Hall

Year 3 - AN Other, Mrs Shepherd, Mrs Barker (formerly Miss Hollingsworth)

Year 4 - Miss Williams, Mrs Hooton/AN Other, Miss Hughes

Year 5 - Mrs Kennedy (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri), AN Other (Wed), Mrs Sainsbury

Year 6 - Mr Brewin, Miss Pullinger

A FOND FAREWELL...

As we approach the end of the school year there will inevitably be some staffing changes. This year is no exception but it's changes with a bit of contrast! Miss Sheppard our Year 6 maternity cover teacher has found a full time permanent position at Ellistown Primary so will be leaving us after just a term. We would like to wish Danielle all the best in her new school.

In stark contrast Mrs Hickin will also be leaving us at the end of this year to begin enjoying a very well earned retirement. Wenda went to the Church Lane School in Ravenstone as a volunteer but was then offered a contract in the year 2000. She transferred over to Woodstone in 2006 and has been an important part of our staff team ever since. Wenda not only worked in the classroom, but also started our Early Birds Club (later to become Woody's), was the coach for our netball team and more recently has carried out many of the food technology (cookery) lessons with the children.

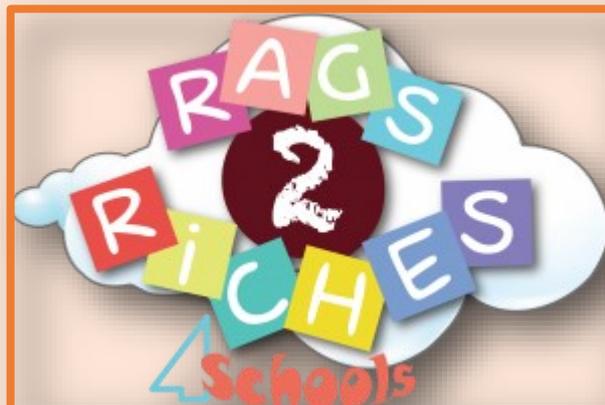
Wenda (and her husband Ken) will be greatly missed by staff and children but she has definitely earned her retirement!

Thank you Wenda for all your hard work and support for the children at Woodstone over the years.

Thank you so much for bringing in your used clothes a couple of weeks ago.

We collected an amazing 332 kilograms which brought in a fabulous £166.

We will be having another collection in the new school year so if you're having a clear out please keep it to one side until we let you know the date. Thank you.



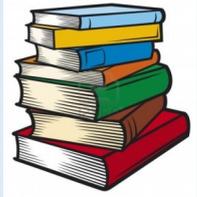
SCHOOL DINNER PRICE

INCREASE!

Please note that from the beginning of the Autumn term the price of a school meal will increase to £2.55 for children in Year 3 and above.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

We will once again be taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge which is organised by Leicestershire Library Services. The more children who take part over the summer, the more chance we have of winning a prize. Have a look at **page 3 of this newsletter** for more details—and please encourage your child to have a go! Thank you.



Residential visits are an important part of a child's social and emotional development and here at Woodstone we like to offer our children a range of opportunities. Just last week we took two trips—the Year 6 children to Christchurch near Bournemouth and our Year 2 children to Sherwood Forest. The Year 6 children did a range of activities including canoeing, paddle boarding, axe throwing, laser tagging and bushcraft whilst our Year 2 children enjoyed a day of activities in the Forest, a visit to Robin Hood's tree (the Major Oak) and a full day at Wheelgate Park.



Group work - Making habitat homes!



The Famous Major Oak Tree!

Have a look in the Gallery section of the website to see more photos from the Year 6 trip to Bournemouth. To see & read more about the Year 2 trip, visit the Year 2 class page and look in the tab called 'Year 2 Class News'.

Our Summer Holiday Club is filling up fast. If you would like your child to attend, please book through School Money. Spaces are limited.

Lots of exciting activities are planned (see Page 5 of this Newsletter)

**** Please remember, when booking any Woody's clubs through the School Money App, you need to process through to the end of the transaction, add to basket and pay (even though the value of the reservation will be £0.00 and no money will be taken at this point). If this is not followed through to the end, the reservation will not show on our system and the place will still be available for someone else to book ****

WOODY'S - A FRIENDLY REMINDER. Please remember that if you book a place at Woody's but then don't want it you will still be charged unless you cancel at least the day before. This is because we will have sorted staffing and food so need some notice to rearrange if necessary. Thank you.

TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS

As you know, the academic year is VERY quickly coming to an end so I wanted to write and let you know our plans for transition (children moving to their next class).

Transition is crucial for children as it helps to put them at ease over the summer holiday and makes starting school a lot easier if they can put a name to a face or start to build a relationship with their new teacher and teaching assistant.

With this all in mind we have allocated Wednesday (5th July) AND Thursday (6th July) as our 'move up' days. Please note Year 6 'move up' days to their new school may well be on a different day. Year 6 children should come to school as normal if they are not attending their new school.

On Wednesday 5th all children should go to their current classroom. They will be registered by their class teacher before being taken to their new classroom.

At the end of the day on Wednesday 5th children should be collected from outside their NEW classroom.

On Thursday 6th children should go to their NEW classroom in the morning and be collected from there too.

Children should be in uniform as normal and bring water bottles/PE kits etc.

School opening and closing times remain the same. Please don't be late in the mornings!

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Wednesday 14th June - Area Athletics (Leicester)

Tuesday 20th June - Father's Day lunch (Rec & Year 6 parents)

Friday 23rd June - Non-uniform day - PTA donation day

Wednesday 28th June - Full Governor meeting (5:30pm)

Thursday 29th June - Year 3 visit to Derby Cathedral and Derby Museum

Friday 30th June - PTA cake donation day (children in school uniform as normal)

Friday 30th June - Summer Fayre (3:15pm)

Monday 3rd July - Year 1 trip to Rosliston Forestry Centre

Tuesday 4th July - Sports Day (KS2 in the morning, Reception & KS1 in the afternoon)

Tuesday 11th July - Year 6 end of year presentation evening (6pm)

Thursday 13th July - Year 6 fish & chip supper & disco (5:30pm)

PTA SUMMER FAYRE

Friday 30th June

3:15pm - 6pm

(Everyone welcome)

**Games, BBQ, Bouncy Castle, and
lots more fun!**

PLEASE DON'T FORGET:

Our non uniform day Friday 23rd June - children are welcome to come to school not in uniform in return for donations to our Summer Fayre - we would welcome bottles for the tombola, new and nearly new items and items for a children's tombola.

The Summer Fayre is our main fundraising event of the year so please try and help us out as much as possible. Thank you.

Summer Reading Challenge 2023

Ready, Set, Read!

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.



This year children will join the Ready, Set, Read! team (and their animal mascots!) as they use their skills to weave their way through a summer obstacle course.

Developed in collaboration with the Youth Sport Trust, the 2023 Summer Reading Challenge will celebrate play and participation, encouraging children to get involved in games and sports in any way that best suits them.

To add to the fun, children taking part in Ready, Set, Read! get a FREE entry to Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre, 1485 Tithes Barn and Country Park, as well as The 1620's House and Garden at Donington le Heath - T&C's apply. Each child must produce their fold-out wallet and be accompanied by a full paying adult.

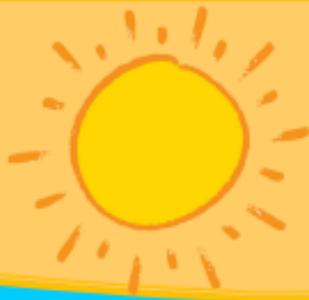
To find out more, please visit the [Summer Reading Challenge website](#)

HOW THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE WORKS:

- * Children sign up at their local library to start their challenge.
- * Borrow books and get reading. Children choose the books they want to read.
- * Library staff and volunteers are on hand to chat to the children about books they have read.
- * There are rewards and incentives along the way to encourage you to read.
- * Every child who completes the challenge, by reading 6 library books, receives a medal and a certificate.

It's all free, fun and a great way to keep children reading over the summer holidays.





Woodstone Community Primary School

Woody's Summer Holiday Club

Come along to our Woody's Summer Holiday Club and enjoy fun activities, games and crafts

Monday 24th July - Friday 28th July

Monday 7th August - Friday 11th August

All sessions run 8.30am - 4.00pm at Woodstone Primary

£20 per child per day

Open to all children who attend Woodstone Primary School
(including children currently in Year 6)

Bring your own packed lunch - all snacks and drinks will be provided

Full timetable of activities coming soon!

Our holiday clubs will be popular so book early via School Money

