WOODSTONE NEWS

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WOODSTONE SUCCESS

On Saturday January 27th cross country was 'brought home' as Woodstone hosted the annual Unity event. We were blessed with great weather and some even better results! Out of the 8 races Woodstone had first AND second in 5 of them!

We had an amazing 47 runners - a fabulous Woodstone team who not only enjoyed the run but also the social aspect of the morning.

Out of our 47 runners we had 26 finish in the top 10!!

Our winners were:

Rec: Isla, - Year 1/2: Joseph W., Willow, Year 3/4: Oliver M, Year 5/6: Riley S, Bella

A close second were:

QUIZ

NIGHT

Year 1/2: Harry, Victoria Year 3/4: Monty Year 5/6: Dylan, Jessica

And finishing in the top 10:

Rec: Ethan (8), Joshua (3), Freddie (7), Olivia (4) Ava (6)

Year 1/2: Reuben (5), Leo W (6),

Year 3/4: Charlie (8), Tegan (7), Beatrix (8)

Year 5/6: Leo S (4), Edward (8), Luke (5), Isaac (6) Barney (10)



THANK YOU

Many parents bought photographs which not only raised a bit of money for the school but also meant Braiswick photographic donated £40 to Cancer Research.

WEBSITE NEWS

Don't forget we have a website app which makes it much easier to browse our website on your phone.

Search for eSchools Lite in the App Store (Apple) or Google Play (Android) or scan the QR Code and download for free. (See the poster on the back page of the newsletter for the QR Code.

CROSS COUNTRY DATES

We now only have a couple of races left this season:

Saturday 9th March - first race 10:30am - Snarestone Primary School (DE12 7DB)

Saturday 13th April - first race 10:30am - Griffydam Primary School (LE67 8HU)

We have a non-uniform day this Friday (9th Feb) for ALL children to celebrate the end of Mental Health Awareness Week.

Really hope you're looking forward to a child free night at our 'fun' quiz this Friday (9th February) starting at 7pm. Teams of up to 6 people.



Growing together, Learning forever

READY STEADY BUILD

At the beginning of term we started our brand new lego club—run by Miss Cain. It meets every Thursday after school and is supported by an external company called Kids with Bricks. If your child is in Years 4, 5 or 6 they are welcome to join. The club costs £3.99 + VAT per child per session and is paid for termly in advance. All club places are reserved and paid for online. Just go to www.kidswithbricks.com to book your child's place.



Our Reception children enjoyed their first 'Share a Story' session with parents this week where they spent the first part of the morning sharing their favourite books together. This was a great opportunity to develop the children's love of reading and spend some time together talking about our favourite books. Thank you parents for coming along - the next session will be Friday 12th April at 2.30pm.



This week we have been taking part in 'Children's Mental Health Week' across the whole school. The theme is 'My Voice Matters' and we are doing activities in class all week which support positive mental health, alongside an 'express yourself' **non-uniform day on Friday (9th).** We have a monthly wellbeing board which we share on the website, containing tips and tricks to promote positive mental health!

Golden Book Assembly Schedule

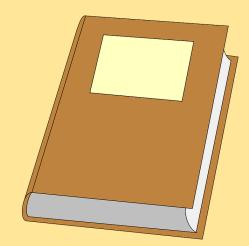
Friday 1st March	Year 6 parents
Friday 8th March	Year 5 parents
Friday 15th March	Year 4 parents
Friday 22nd March	Reception parents
Friday 19th April	Year 1 parents
Friday 26th April	Year 2 parents
Friday 10th May	Year 3 parents

All assemblies start at 9:05am

YEAR 6 SATs MEETING

Wednesday 28th February - 5:30pm

An information meeting for our Year 6 parents.



The character champions this month were Erin Warrington (Y2) and Macie Tracey (Y4). Our focus character muscles were compassion and problem solving. Well done girls!



Healthy Start is an NHS scheme that helps families with young children under 4 or people that are more than 10 weeks pregnant and are receiving benefits, to buy healthy food and milk.

If you're eligible, you'll be sent a Healthy Start card with money on it that you can use in some UK shops, with the allowance added onto this card every 4 weeks.

The card can be used to buy:

Plain liquid cow's milk Fresh, frozen, and tinned fruit and vegetables Fresh, dried, and tinned pulses Infant formula milk based on cow's milk

The Healthy Start card can also be used to collect Healthy Start vitamins, to support you during pregnancy and breastfeeding or vitamin drops for babies and young children, that are suitable from birth to 4 years old.

For more information on eligibility and applying please go to: www.healthystart.nhs.uk

Year 2 have enjoyed a half term of looking at a variety of sculptures and sculptors during their Art lessons. They even

enjoyed making some of their own!



Earlier in January we had a review of many aspects of education here at Woodstone. It wasn't an Ofsted inspection but it was a two day, very in-depth look at areas such as Reading, Maths, Computing, History, PE and Phonics. The four 'visitors' also looked at SEND provision, behaviour and the learning environment. We are really pleased to say they found many, many positives—a couple of quotes from the report 'Woodstone is a kind, caring, thoughtful school where children are polite and well mannered'. 'Reading is a high priority'. 'Books are well presented demonstrating pupil pride in their work'. 'Leaders are ambitious for ALL pupils to succeed through a broad and accessible curriculum'.

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