



Woolhampton CE Primary School  
Enabling all to Flourish

22nd November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The seasonal weather has been a big feature this week with one of the most exciting things in the school year happening – snow! Seeing the whole school having the best time playing in the falling snow was a wonderful sight. The children have continued to enjoy experimenting with the ice as part of their learning.



Before the snow, the children made the most of the outdoor environment by playing in the leaves. Not only have there been some amazing leaf dens created at breaktimes, but the leaves have also provided lots of learning opportunities which classes have made the most of.

Back indoors, there has been lots of singing going. Beach Class are preparing for the nativity, Year 6 are learning the German version of 'O Christmas Tree' ready for Douai Carols, and the choir are practising for the Junior Music Festival. The whole school are also getting ready for a very special assembly that we will be holding on 13<sup>th</sup> December for Mrs Burns. The children will be singing a number of Mrs Burns' favourite songs and parents are welcome to come and join us. This will be a chance for the school to say a massive thank you to Mrs Burns for everything that she has done for our school. We will be organising a collection that parents are welcome to contribute to if they wish – details to be sent out shortly.



I wish everyone a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rebecca Cox

## What's on this week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Whole School		<b>Golden Mile</b>			<b>Golden Mile</b>
YR & Y1	<b>PE</b>		<b>Forest School</b>		
Y2 & Y3				<b>PE</b>	
Y4 & Y5			<b>PE</b>	<b>Forest School at Ferrises</b>	
Y6	<b>PE/Leadership</b>	<b>Visit to Englefield pm</b>		<b>Forest School at Ferrises</b>	<b>Gem Point Pyjama Day</b>
Clubs	<b>Football Club All Years</b>	<b>Dance Club All Years</b>			
Before/After School & Team Events					

### Additional Information:

Coming Up....	<p>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Open Morning for Prospective Parents – 09:30am            Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Junior Music Festival Rehearsal            Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - Year 6 to Englefield - 1:00pm            Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Year 4,5 and 6 to Forest School at Ferrises</p> <p>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Year 6 to Curridge            Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Beech Class Nativity Performance – 9:00 to 10:00            Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – FoWS Christmas Fayre – 3:15pm in the school hall            Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Carols at Douai Abbey – 2:00pm            Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – iRock Concert – 09:00am            Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Beech Class to The Hexagon            Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Mrs Burns Assembly 2:30pm            Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch            Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christingle Service – 1:15pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term – 2:00pm</b></p>
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## Writing Workshop with Bradfield College



On Tuesday, Years 5 and 6 took part in a persuasive writing workshop with Bradfield College students. They learned how authors use written language to persuade their readers. At the end of the workshop, the children were set a challenge to write a persuasive letter about either a school trip or getting a pet and their writing will be entered into a competition.

## Staffing News

Next week we will be welcoming three new staff to our Woolhampton community. Mrs Buddery will be joining us in Year 6 as our new Y6 class teacher and Miss Masters and Mrs McClean will be joining us as teaching assistants.

## Sports News



Well done to all nine children who took part in the Bradfield netball competition on Wednesday. They all showed great sportsmanship and were a credit to the school.

Congratulations to the Year 5/6 children who came 1<sup>st</sup> in their league at the Alternative Olympics at Theale School on Thursday. Everyone had the chance have a go at boccia, seated volleyball, archery and curling.



## Can you help?

Tilehurst British Legion society have very kindly offered us a table tennis table; however, they are unable to transport it over to us. Is there anyone out there who has a van or other large vehicle that could go and collect it for us?

Please contact the school office (Tel: 0118 917720 or Email: [office@woolhampton.school.org](mailto:office@woolhampton.school.org)).

We would be extremely grateful. Thank you.



## Healthy Snacks at Break Time

Please can we remind you that we encourage the children to have a healthy snack of fresh fruit or vegetables, cereal bars, bread sticks or crackers at break time, (no nuts, chocolate or crisps), thank you.

## Note:

Mrs Livermore is always happy to meet or speak on the phone with anyone who needs to ask any questions, address any concerns or just to catch up.

I am at Woolhampton School on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and I can be contacted in the following ways:

- ✓ On the gate at the beginning or end of the school day
- ✓ By email at: [headteacher@woolhampton.school.org](mailto:headteacher@woolhampton.school.org)
- ✓ By phone on: 0118 971 2270

I am at Curridge School on Tuesdays and Fridays and can be contacted there in the following ways:

- ✓ By email at: [headteacher@curridge.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@curridge.w-berks.sch.uk)
- ✓ By phone on: 01635 200486