

Woolhampton Church of England Primary School

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Woolhampton CE Primary School

Enabling all to Flourish

13th September 2024

Dear Parents,

What a lovely week I have had with plenty of opportunities to get to know more children as well as meeting some parents on Wednesday.

During the Meet the Headteacher session, several parents wanted to know more about their child's learning so they could support and encourage at home. I am assured that every class has information about what is being taught as well as a class timetable on the class page of the school website.

<https://www.woolhampton.school.co.uk/class-pages/>

I taught in Year 6 on Thursday and we had a great day learning about Clarice Cliff and her rather wonderful talent. The children created some of their own pieces in the style of this artist and we have displayed them in the classroom. I am looking forward to teaching in the other classes across the school – the quickest and best way to learn names I have found!

Whatever your plan, I hope that you have a good weekend.

School Attendance

The gate opens at 8:30am and closes at 8:45am. Any child arriving between 8:45am and 9:00am is marked as late and any child arriving after 9am will be marked as absent for the morning session. As we explained in the letter at the end of last term, absence can only be authorised for medical reasons, or under exceptional circumstances. All other absence has to be recorded as unauthorised and if levels of unauthorised absence equate to 10 or more sessions (5 whole days) in a ten-week period, it has to be referred to West Berkshire and a Fixed Penalty Notice may be issued. Please see our attendance policy on the school website for details. If any parent has any concerns about school attendance, please do contact us because we are here to support you.

September Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 17th September – Yr 5 Swimming at Tadley Pool

Thursday 19th September – Sycamore Class Forest School

Friday 20th September – Macmillan Afternoon Tea – Douai Pavilion 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday 24th September – Yr 5 Swimming at Tadley Pool

Wednesday 25th September – Sycamore Forrest School – morning session
Beech Class Forest School – afternoon session

Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th October – Parents Evenings

Welly Walk

Everyone enjoyed this afternoon's Welly Walk and thankfully the weather was kind to us.



After School Clubs



Year 4, 5 and 6 only netball club will start on Thursday 12th September. Numbers are limited.
Football/Tag Rugby starts on Monday 16th September. Please sign up via Tucasi/Scopay



Woolhampton C of E Primary School is hosting a Macmillan Afternoon Tea!

On Friday 20th September from 2.30pm to 4.30pm at Douai Pavilion. Tea, coffee, soft drinks and cake will be served at Douai Pavilion. There will be seating inside and out, and the Year 6 pupils and their teachers will be happy to serve you. We would be very grateful for any donations of cakes.

We would love to see as many people as possible; all are welcome.

Please come along and help us to raise money for such a worthy cause.

Safety at Drop-Off and Collection Time

To keep everyone safe please following these simple steps at drop off and collection time (and please ensure that anyone else dropping off or collecting your child is aware of this too):

Turning – please do not turn around in the school gates, entrances to the staff car parks, or further down the road at the grass triangle point as this is a private road. If you do need to turn, please find a safe alternative place and remain courteous to other road users and residents - **do not use the private road triangle.**

Parking - please do not park on the double yellow lines, the yellow zigzag lines, on the bend or outside Elstree School entrance. When parking please take care not to mount the pavement, especially when pedestrians are walking along the path. Your co-operation in keeping our community safe is gratefully appreciated.

NUT FREE School

Please be aware that we are a nut free school as we have children with nut allergies. We ask that you do not send your child into school with nut products such as Nutella, nutty cereal bars or nutty snacks. Thank you for your understanding.



West Berkshire Food Bank – updated 6/9/24

Below is the updated list urgently needed by the foodbank.

<https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

We are still happy to receive donations for the food bank.

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS – ANTI-BAC SPRAY, LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICES, TOILET CLEANER, LONG LIFE SPONGE PUDDINGS, CUSTARD OR RICE PUDDING POTS FOR ROUGH SLEEPERS, WASHING UP LIQUID, TINNED SOUP OR CUP-A-SOUP, CEREAL

LOW ON STOCK – SQUASH DRINKS, TINNED FRUIT, SHAVING FOAM, TINNED VEGETABLES, TINNED MEAT MEALS – CURRY, HOTPOT, PIES ETC

The food bank greatly appreciates all your donations.



Do you have any old INK cartridges? If so please bring them in and help us raise some extra funds for school. The company Recycle4Charity will accept any used original INK cartridges but not laser or toner cartridges. A collection box is available in reception if you wish to donate. Thank you to all those who have already helped raise £50.95 so far for the school.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

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