



# Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

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## **Governor Monitoring Day**

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April several of our Governors spent the day in School. The day provided the governors with an excellent opportunity to observe a normal day at Woodside, to meet the children and ensure they know as much as possible about how the school works. This enables the Governors to carry out their prime function of taking responsibility for the conduct and strategic direction of the school.

The Governing body are essential to the running Woodside as they help us to set high standards by planning for the school's future and setting targets for school improvement.

The day began at 8.30am with some Governors joining parents on the playground. Following this the Governors took a learning walk around school before joining the children for lessons and activities for the rest of the day. The children were excited to share their learning with the Governors. At the end of the day the Governors joined all staff to reflect on the day.

We would like to thank the Governors for showing this exceptional commitment to our children and school as they all took time out of their normal lives in order to be in school on that day, for this we are exceptionally grateful.



## **E-Safety Information for Parents & Children**

A vital part of safeguarding is around keeping children safe while surfing the internet. Please join us in school on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 9am for an informative session led by Mrs Fiona Whiting, our Cluster Development Worker, who is CEOP trained, to find out more about keeping children safe while on the computer.

Mrs Whiting, will also be leading sessions in school for all children about e-safety on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> June. The children will be learning about "Smartie the Penguin".

## Maths Cafés & Parents Workshop

Thank you to all parents who were able to join us at the Maths Cafés. These were, as always, exceptionally popular and all the children were excited to share their learning with parents and grandparents in school.

The maths workshop was also well received and it was good to see so many parents attending the session. We promised to get the document about computation at Woodside on the website as soon as possible.

Thank you for all your very positive comments following these events!



### Carnival Day!

Hethersett Woodside

Summer Fete

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June

Help us raise funds by joining us on the "Road to Rio" for this year's summer fete.

### A reminder about inhalers!

Please ensure that if your child has been prescribed an inhaler by your GP and is required to use it during the day we need to have one in school in the original box with all paper work signed. Please speak to adults in your child's class if you require more information.

## Special Educational Needs & Disability (SEND)

### Information Sharing Event for Families

Join the discussion, share your experiences, find support and information

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm**

Hethersett Academy Library

For more information contact Mrs Emma Pugh:

[senco@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:senco@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk)

## Purple Picnic

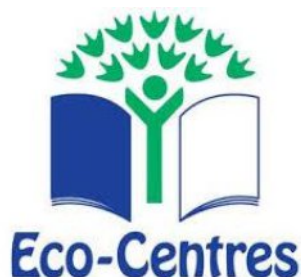
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June

**Your support is needed!!**

We are raising money for Nelson's Journey. Different events will be running on Thursday culminating with a picnic in the evening.

### What can you do to help?

1. Children to dress in something purple for the day and bring a donation to school
2. Bake cakes for the cake stall
3. Buy cakes from the cake stall
4. Join with us at the end of the day to share a picnic on the school field bringing with you family and friends.



### COMPOST CORNER

Please empty your cupboards and fill one of our 'Bags 2 School' bags. It all helps to raise funds for our sustainability work in school. Filled bags need to be returned to school by 9.00am on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June.



### Green Britain Centre

On 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 the year 2s set out for the Green Britain Centre. The children had an exciting day finding out about renewable forms of energy, new types of transport and were able to experiment and design their own wind turbines.

This immersed the children in their learning for this term on sustainability. All children had an amazing day and came back full of ideas to inspire their learning.



### **Safety in the Sun!**

As the weather becomes warmer, please ensure that your child has a sunhat (with name in it please!) and a water bottle in school.

Please also make sure Sun-cream is applied before school.

### **Year 1 Dance Show**

Some of our year 1 children will be performing at the Open Venue in Norwich on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. Tickets are available from the UEA box office. Come along and support our super dancers!



### **New Library!**

Our new library furniture has at last arrived! Staff have spent several hours sorting through the books already in our library to assess what new purchases are needed.

This has only been possible due to the endless work of the Friends of Woodside and their constant fundraising events.

We have also listened to the children. They have told us they would like fiction books in our library as well as non-fiction. We have been given a generous donation from a member of the community of £500 which we will use to buy story books for the children to begin stocking our library.

We have also had generous donations from parents of books in good condition that we are able to reuse. If you are having a sort out and have any good quality story books that your children have grown out of please donate them to our library!

## *Can you help?*

The relatives of Finnbar, a child in Reception, have set up a “Just Giving” page to raise funds to help Finnbar and his family with his on-going needs whilst undergoing his intensive treatment for a brain tumour. He has spent a great deal of time in Addenbrookes Hospital recently although he is currently at home.

Please, please, please check out the link below and read the story so far :-

<https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/sharon-penska>

Donations can be made through the website.

We do also have a donations box in the school office.

Please help this lovely family!

*Make a Difference!*

**DONATE**

**JustGiving™**

# Dates for your diary

**Please also see front page of the Website for all dates**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** - Dress up day for tombola prizes for Summer Fayre

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** - 3.05pm School closes for half term

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June** - School re-opens

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June** - Parents Cluster SEND meeting (Academy) 6pm

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 1 Dance Show

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - Bags2school clothing collection

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - Junior School Uniform sale for Year 2 children & Parents

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 2 Samba session 3.15 - 4.15pm

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June** - Purple Picnic - Nelson's Journey 4pm

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June** - Dad's Forest Schools for under 5s (last session)

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** - Reception Banham Zoo Trip

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 2 Samba session 3.15 - 4.15pm

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June** - New Reception Parents Evening 7pm

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 2 Samba sessions 3.15 - 4.15pm

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June** - New Nursery Parents Evening 7pm

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June** - Summer Fair WE NEED YOU! All help greatly received!

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June** - Nursery to Thetford

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** - Nursery to Thetford

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - Year 1 & 2 Sports Day & Picnic Lunch, starting 10am

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - Reception Picnic Lunch & Sports Day from 12 noon

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 1 Trip to Cromer

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June** - Violin taster session for current Year 1 children & Parents

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June** - E-Safety information session 9am

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School 9.30am - 12noon

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School all day

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Transition Day in school

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Open Evening

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July** - Canary Fours

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Leavers Assembly

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Leavers Disco 3.30pm

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** - School closes at 3.05pm for Summer Holidays.