



Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

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Harvest at School

On Friday 6th October, all staff and children at school went for a walk to think about the children of Zimbabwe who walk 2 hours to school without breakfast.

Through the Mudeka Foundation, breakfast is provided for the children when they get to school. 26p can feed a child for a week.

With your generous donations, we raised in excess of £302 for the Mudeka Foundation. During the week, Elisabeth Louis talked to the children about how their money would be spent to support the children.

Many thanks for all your support!



Attendance!

Each year we are set attendance targets for school and these are regularly monitored by the school attendance officer. Last year our figure was set at **96%**

Missing school can affect progress and we appreciate your continued support making sure your child is at school whenever possible.

As you are aware Head Teachers are **not allowed to authorise** term time holiday however we still need you to put in writing any holiday requests. Thank you for your continued support!

Persistent absence has changed. Any child, with attendance below 90%, will be monitored by the school attendance officer. Parents will have received letters in the summer term to offer support for children falling into this category. If you are worried about your child's attendance record and would like help please come and talk to us!

Reading in School

Thank you to all the parents who joined us on Wednesday 20th September for a "Lesson in Reading and Phonics". If you have any further questions, please contact us at school.



Our children always enjoy sharing their learning! Thank you to all with parents, grandparents and grownups who joined in English lessons during the week beginning the 2nd October.

Thank you to all adults who supported this event and from your feedback, you also enjoyed this experience. We hope you will try out some of the activities at home.

We continue to work on the Primary Writing Project this year along with other schools in Norfolk. The focus of this is "Talk for Writing" where children learn various stories using actions. This then gives them a structure for writing their own stories.

home and please ask if you would like more information!



COMPOST CORNER

Please empty your cupboards and fill one of our 'Bags 2 School'. It all helps to raise funds for our sustainability work in school. You will receive a bag after half term. Filled bags need to be returned to school by 9.00am on 20th November.

The Eco Council have been meeting regularly and are awaiting the Eco Green Flag Assessment. More information to follow.

Macmillan Coffee Morning



Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and money towards making our coffee morning a great success!

You raised £195

A big thank you to everyone who supported the event!

Students at Woodside

At Woodside we believe in investing in the future and creating a learning environment for all. We currently have several students working in our school from City College who are studying Health and Child Care.

Friends of Woodside (FOWS)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The FOWS AGM was held in the school hall on Thursday 19th October 2017.

Events and activities organised by the FOWS committee and parent helpers raised over £9,736 last year. This means that the children at Woodside enjoy a more enriched curriculum and environment than the School Budget can provide.

If you would like to find out more about FOWS please contact **Lucy Thompson** (Chair of the Committee) - details are available at the office.

If you have any photos of past FOWS events and are happy to share them, please could you email them to the school office. Lucy is hoping to put a display together.

office@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk

FOWS Christmas Fayre

The next big event is the Christmas Fayre. This will be held on Friday 1st December 2017. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to use money in a real context. During the day all children are given the opportunity to spend their money supported by school staff.

The fayre will continue from 2.30- 4.30pm for adults and children. If you can offer help in any way please contact Louise Copeland on email: office@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk





Winter Clothing

The weather is changing as we approach winter!
Please ensure children all have appropriate
clothing in school.
All children need coats and wellingtons please!
These all need to be named!

A date for your diaries

Some of Woodside children will be
performing at the Village Christmas
Bazaar which follows on from our Fayre
on the 1st December.
The 4 Schools' Carol concert will be held
in St. Remigius on Monday 4th December.



Polite Reminder

Please do not let your children ride their bikes
on the playground, before & after school. The
playground is too congested to be safe.

Please do not allow children to play on the play
equipment before or after school, children are
only covered by insurance during the school
day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Registering for Parentmail

Please remember to register for parentmail so
you as parents can be fully informed

Help Hub

Getting help early can
stop problems getting
worse

Contact Mary latten,
Community connector for
Hethersett & Mulbarton

for more information,
email or phone

mlatten@s-norfolk.gov.uk

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Dates for your diary

Please also see front page of the Website for all dates

Monday 30th October - Back to School

Thursday 2nd November - Bonfire Lunch

Monday 6th November - Book Fair in school all week

Wednesday 8th November - "Breakfast with a Book"

Wednesday 8th November - Parents Evening 3.30pm-6pm

Thursday 9th November - "Breakfast with a Book"

Thursday 9th November - Parents Evening 5-7.30pm

Monday 13th November - Curiosity Cafés - Year 1 2.15pm

Tuesday 14th November - Curiosity Cafés - Year 2 2.15pm

Wednesday 15th November - Curiosity Cafés - Reception 2pm

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Thursday 16th November - School photographer to photograph absent children 1.30pm

Friday 17th November - Curiosity Cafés - Nursery 8.30-9.30am/12-1pm more information to follow

Friday 17th November - FOWS School Discos more information to follow

Monday 20th November - Bags2 schools' collection

Monday 20th November - Y2 Multiskills festival at Easton College 9.45-11.30am

Tuesday 21st November - Reception & Year 1 Playhouse Trip.

Friday 24th November - R, Y1 & Y2 Flu Vaccinations More information to follow

Friday 24th November - Prospective Parents Visit for Reception 2018, 1.30pm

Thursday 30th November - Prospective Parents Visit for Reception 2018, 1.30pm

Friday 1st December - Friends of Woodside Christmas Fayre (finish 4.30pm)

Friday 1st December - Year 1 and 2 children singing at Village Christmas Bazaar (6pm approx.)

Monday 4th December - Four Schools Christmas Concert

Tuesday 5th December - Reception Christmas Performance 9.30am/2.15pm

Wednesday 6th December - Nursery Christmas Performance 10.30am & 2pm

Thursday 7th December - Year 1 Christmas Performance 9.30am/2.15pm

Monday 11th December - Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 12th December - Year 2 Christmas Performance 9.30am/2.15pm

Monday 18th December - Party Day

Tuesday 19th December - School closes for Christmas Holiday at 3.05pm

Wednesday 3rd January 2018 - Inset Day

Thursday 4th January 2018 - School reopens at 8.50am - Spring term begins

Wednesday 10th January - Flu vaccinations catch-up session

Tuesday 16th January - Y1 maths workshop 9-10am

Wednesday 17th January - Reception Maths Workshop 9-10am

Thursday 18th January - Year 2 Maths Workshop

Thursday 18th January - Parents Maths Workshop 7-8pm

Monday 22nd January - Year 1 Multiskills festival at Easton College 12.30-2.15pm

Thursday 25th January - Parents Evening for New Nursery Parents 7pm

Tuesday 6th February - FOWS School Discos

Friday 9th February - School closes for half term 3.05pm