



Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

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Spring Term at Woodside

It has again been a very active term at Woodside with visits and visitors coming into school. We have had a focus on reducing food waste in school and the Eco-Committee have been leading an assembly about waste reduction in school as well as carrying out a survey about measuring waste produced in the dinner hall.

The Eco-Committee are very active within our school. The Eco-Committee undertook an assessment in January for the Green Flag Award. The Green Flag was awarded to the school for the third time and we would like to congratulate Mrs Ferreira for all her hard work with the Eco-Committee and school.

Happy Easter to you all and we look forward to Summer Term at Woodside.

May the 4th be with you!

We are going to have a



dress-up & theme day raising
money for Finnbar's Force, a
charity set up in Finnbar
Cork's name to support brain
tumour research.

Hares!

As you are aware, the children have been busy
decorating our hare!

Thank you to everyone who completed a design.
We had hundreds returned. These ranged from
"yellow and green" designs to highly decorated
patterns. A great many designs were around the
theme of trees and nature. As our classes are
named after trees, it was agreed to go with a
variation of this theme.

Mrs Egler drew a final design from a
combination of your designs. Ms Smith has been
coordinating the whole project.

I am sure you will enjoy following the trail when
it is set up in Norwich

Staff News

We have some sad news! Mr Alan Balderstone will be retiring at the end of May having spent 21 years at Woodside as our caretaker. He will be greatly missed but we wish him well in his retirement.

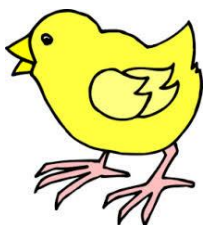


Message from the Office

Please make sure you write in the "going home" book at the beginning of the day!

We understand if in an emergency, arrangements need to be changed and you need to phone the office.

However, the office gets extremely busy, and more parents are phoning at the end of day as they have forgotten to notify the class teacher of going home arrangements.



COMPOST CORNER

Bags2schools raised £40 last time which is a fantastic amount.

Next collection date is Wednesday 6th June.

Thank you!



Year 1 Dance Show

Some of the year 1 children are once again getting ready to participate in the Norwich Schools Sports Partnership Dance Show. This is a fantastic event held at the Open venue on Wednesday 23rd May 2018.

There will be 2 performances and tickets are on sale now at the venue

Road Closures

From Tuesday 3rd April, New Road junction will be closed for 2 months. There will be no entry to the village this way.

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor available. The hours are 12.00 - 1.15pm daily. If you are interested, please see the office for more details

Polite Reminder

Please do not send you children to school wearing earrings on PE days, as they could get caught on the equipment.

Governors in School Day

Wednesday 18th April 2018.

Each year the Governing Board of Woodside spends a day in school monitoring various aspects of school life. During this time there is an opportunity for parents to meet and get to know the people who are governing our school.

Governors will be in the Staffroom before and after school and also on the playground on this day. They will be wearing identification badges so will be easily recognisable. Please spend time talking to them. They want what's best for your children.

School governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education.

Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising school standards. The role of the governing board is absolutely key to the effectiveness of a school. Time and time again Ofsted (the national inspection body for schools) has noted that the most effective schools demonstrate effective leadership and management - including by the governing board.

What do governors do?

School governors provide strategic leadership and accountability in schools. Governors appoint the head teacher and deputy headteacher. In some schools the site is owned by the governing board. It is governors who hold the main responsibility for finance in schools, and it is governors who work with the headteacher to make the tough decisions about balancing resources.

Mad Hair Day

There were lots of interesting hair dos in school on Friday!

Thank you for supporting our fundraising event for Break.

We raised £131.40



World Book Day

Friday 9th March

We had all sorts of different characters from "The mad hatter" to "Cat in a Hat". The children spent time during the day finding out about different book characters and story lines.

Thank you for all your hard work with designing a book bag/box. All these are on display in the library. We also raised £144 towards new story sacks.



Dates for your diary

Please also see front page of the Website for all dates

- Wednesday 28th March** - School closes for Easter.
- Monday 16th April** - School reopens at 8.50am for Summer Term
- Wednesday 18th April** - Governor monitoring day in school.
- Thursday 19th April** - Nursery walk to the library
- Monday 23rd April** - Year 2 Science Workshop 2pm
- Wednesday 25th April** - Year Reception Science Workshop 2pm
- Thursday 26th April** - Year 1 Science Workshop 2pm
- Friday 27th April** - Nursery Science Workshop 8.30am & 12pm
- Monday 30th April** - Reception Multiskills - 9.45-11.30am
- Friday 4th May** - Fundraising day for "Finnbars Force" - dress up day
- Friday 4th May** - School discos - School Discos - Nursery & Reception 3.30-4.30pm
- Friday 4th May** - School discos - School Discos - School Discos - Year 1 & Year 2 - 4.45-5.45pm
- Monday 7th May** - Bank Holiday Monday school closed
- Monday 15th May** - Walk to school week
- Tuesday 22nd May** - Year 2s to Brandon Park
- Wednesday 23rd May** - Year 2 leavers' photo
- Wednesday 23rd May** - Year 1 Dance Show at the Open in Norwich
- Friday 25th May** - Dress up day - bring a tombola prize for the Summer Fayre
- Friday 25th May** - School Closes at 3.05pm for half term break
- Monday 4th June** - school reopens for second half of summer term
- Wednesday 6th June** - Bags2Schools clothing collection
- Wednesday 13th June** - New Reception Parents Evening 7pm
- Thursday 14th June** - Nursery am to Thetford
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- Friday 15th June** - Nursery pm to Thetford
- Friday 15th June** - Multicultural Day for Year 2s at Mulbarton Infant School
- Saturday 16th June** - **Woodside Summer Fair**
- Week beginning 18th June** - Refugee Week
- Thursday 21st June** - Year 1 & 2 Sports Day & Picnic Lunch starting 10am
- Thursday 21st June** - Reception Picnic Lunch & Sports Day from 12 noon
- Tuesday 3rd July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School 9.30am - 12noon
- Wednesday 4th July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School all day
- Wednesday 4th July** - Transition Day in school, Move up day
- Wednesday 4th July** - Open Evening 5-7pm
- Wednesday 11th July** - Leavers' Assembly 2pm
- Friday 13th July** - Leavers' Disco 3.30pm
- Wednesday 24th July** - School closes at 3.05pm for Summer Holidays