



# Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

October 2018 – Issue No 2

Visions for September 2019

October Open Evenings

“Reception at Hethersett Woodside” and “Year 3 and Beyond at Hethersett Woodside”

Thank you to all parents who attended our open meetings. I hope you found them informative and supportive towards your decisions for September 2019. It is a challenging time for parents making decisions as to the right school for your child and if there is any further information you need to help you make that decision please do not hesitate in asking.

Information will be on website – any questions please come and see us



## 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 probably aware Head Teachers are **not allowed to authorise** term time holiday however we still need you to put in writing any holiday requests giving at least two weeks' notice.

Thank you for your continued support!

Any child, with attendance below 90%, will be monitored. 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!



# English Workshops



Our children always enjoy sharing their learning! Thank you to all parents, grandparents and grownups who joined in English lessons during the week beginning the 1<sup>st</sup> October. Thank you to all adults who supported this event and from looking at your feedback, you also enjoyed this experience.

We hope you will try out some of the activities at home.

We teach children about story writing at Hethersett Woodside through "Talk for Writing" where children learn various stories using actions. This then gives them a structure for writing their own stories.

Please ask if you would like more information!



## Macmillan Coffee Morning



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

**You raised £106.10**

**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.

## COMPOST CORNER

The following things are what we are currently recycling in school.

- Clothing – you will receive a bags2schools bag 3 times a year **Next date 19<sup>th</sup> November 9am**
- Pens – please put in the Bic box in the school hall
- Ink cartridges – place in tray at the front of the school

## Friends of Woodside (FOWS)

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The FOWS AGM was held in the Head's Office on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Events and activities organised by the FOWS committee and parent helpers raised over £3,500 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.

### FOWS Christmas Fayre

The next big event is the Christmas Fayre. This will be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018. 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 Lucy Thompson on email:

[office@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto: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



The 4 School's Carol Concert will be held in St. Remigius on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.  
Some of Woodside children will also be performing at the Village Christmas Bazaar on the Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December



## Harvest at School

During the week beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>, we talked to the children about Harvest. This year we asked the children to bring in donations for the Norwich Food Bank as the children were learning in assemblies about families who were in crisis and needed help with food.

We were inundated with your generous donations of food, and sent many full crates to the Food Bank.

Many thanks for all your support!

## Reminders regarding food and medicine

If your child requires medicine of some description, we can administer this at school but it would need to be prescribed by the doctor and in its original container with the prescription label on it.

Please can we remind you that we are a nut free school and that sweets, chocolate and fizzy drinks are not permitted in lunch boxes either.  
Chocolate biscuits are acceptable.



Please note, dogs are not permitted on school grounds.

This is a health and safety issue.



## Lost and found property

We have an ever increasing number of lost property being left around school. Please, please, please name all items, clothing, lunch boxes, water bottles etc

On the other hand, if you get home and find that you have brought home someone else's items, please bring them back to school so we can reunite them with their rightful owners. Please check your child's clothing to make sure it belongs to them.

# Dates for your diary

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

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October** – School finishes for half term break at 3.05pm

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October** – Back to school 8.50am

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November** – Book fair in school all week

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November** – 9.30am - Prospective parents visit September 2019

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – “Breakfast with a Book” 8.30am

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents evening 3.30 - 6pm

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – “Breakfast with a Book” 8.30am

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – Parents evening 5 - 7.30pm

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – Science workshop - Year 1 starting 2pm

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – Science workshop - Year reception starting 2pm

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Science workshop - Year 2 starting 2pm

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – Nursery rhyme cafés - Nursery 8.30am & 12 noon

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – 1.30pm - Prospective parents visit for September 2019

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Bags 2 schools collection 9am

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November** – 11am - Prospective parents visit for September 2019

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** – Flu vaccinations for Reception, Year 1 & 2

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** – FOWs Discos Reception & Year1 3.30 - 4.30pm

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** – FOWs Discos Year 2 4.45 - 5.45pm

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 1 & 2 children singing at Village Christmas Bazaar (6pm approx)

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – Four schools Christmas concert

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception Christmas performance 9.30am & 2.15pm

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Christmas performance 10.30am & 2.15pm

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 1 Christmas performance 9.30am & 2pm

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Friends of Woodside Christmas fayre (finish 4.30pm)

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas lunch

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 2 Christmas performance 9.30am & 2pm

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Choir to sing at Hethersett Hall - 10.00am

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Party Day

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – School finishes for Christmas Holiday at 3.05pm

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019** – Back to school at 8.50am - spring term begins

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January** – Y1 Maths Workshop 9-10am

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January** – Reception Maths Workshop 9-10am

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 2 Maths Workshop 9-10am

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January** – New Nursery Parents Evening 7pm