



Hethersett Woodside Primary and Nursery School Newsletter

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Spring Term!

An excellent start to the Spring Term at Hethersett Woodside! Classes are busy working on new enquiries and outside visitors have already been into school and visits are being planned.

The new school is going up fast and is on course for completion in June. We are looking to have a grand opening in September!

Fundraising

Thank you for all your generous donations!

The bucket collection following the Christmas performances raised

£551.66

this was collected by Carol Slaughter from the Big C on Monday 27th January. The money raised is going towards their "Nearer to Home" appeal.

Christmas Jumper day raised - **£158.43**

School Trips & Visits.

We rely on voluntary contributions in order to pay for extra enriched activities to enhance the children's learning. If you have not already given a contribution towards the activities listed below, we would be grateful if you could do so as soon as possible.

Reception Wildlife Visit = £2.50

Year 1 Castle Visit = £3.50

Year 3 Egyptian Dance = £4.00

If you are unable to make a contribution, please speak to the office so that we can offer support.

Maths Workshops

Thank you for all parents/grandparents and carers who were able to attend the Maths workshop. I hope you found these useful and gained an insight into how we teach maths in school.

Request from the office!

At the beginning of each year we ask for a voluntary contribution of £10 towards cooking ingredients, parties and other such events.

This is just a gentle reminder if you have not made a contribution please speak to the office staff as they have records of who's paid.



Year 3

The Year 3 children have been busy learning about the Egyptians. Staff & students from Hethersett Academy visited Woodside and shared their knowledge and skills about Egyptian dance.

As well as this, On Friday 14th February Lorraine Theobald will be providing dance workshops on Ancient Egypt for the children.

Norwich Castle Visit

On Thursday 30th January Year 1 were very excited to have visitors "Maude & Lady Isabella" to tell us all about life in Norwich Castle.

The children learnt to sort and describe historical artifacts, they created their own pennants and heard all about a jousting competition.

Norfolk Wildlife Trust Visited Reception

On Tuesday 20th January, the Norfolk Wildlife trust spent a day in school working with the Reception children.

The children were encouraged to take a closer look at wildlife and one of the highlights for the children was dissecting owl pellets and discovering what they were made up of.



Friends of Woodside!

The Christmas Fayre was a great success raising over £1,700 thank you everyone who helped & supported the event on the day.

Upcoming events

TBA - Movie Night

22nd May 2020 - Non Uniform day in exchange for a Summer Fayre tombola prize

1st May 2020 - "Finnbars Force" Disco

13th June 2020 - Summer Fayre

15th July 2020- Year 2 Celebration Disco

For more information, please contact Louise Copeland or Jo Adcock
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World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. To promote the love of bedtime reading, children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas! It would be lovely if parents and carers are able to join the children in school at 2.30pm for a stay and read session in the classroom.

We look forward to seeing you in school.

Can You Help!

Are you a past pupil from the school?

Did you have a relative who worked at the school?

If yes would you be willing to attend a 10-minute interview conducted by 2 or 3 children on Wednesday 12th February 9.15 – 10am or 1.30 - 2.45pm you will be asked about your memories of the school. If you have any old photos or memorabilia we would love to see them.

Please contact the school office if this is something you would like to be involved in.

Professional Development 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.

We would also like to welcome Jessica Roberts and Isabelle Evans who are training to be teachers. Mrs Roberts is working under the guidance of Mr Rutland and Miss Evans is working under the guidance of Ms Pearson.

Continual Professional Development for staff is vitally important and several members of staff are studying under an apprenticeship programme they are completing coursework and exams. Teaching staff also need to keep up to date with our ever changing educational system and are consequently involved in training during and outside of the school day. As a school we fully support all staff training ensuring that quality cover is always in place.

Dates for your diary

Please also see front page of the Website for all dates

Wednesday 12th February – Past Pupil & Staff Interview Day

Friday 14th February – School closes for spring half term

Monday 24th February – School reopens for second half of Spring Term

Wednesday 26th February – FOWs Meeting 7.30pm Queens Head Pub all welcome

Tuesday 3rd March – Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm (no PE Club)

Wednesday 4th March – Parents' Evening 5-7.30pm

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Friday 6th March – Bags 2 Schools collection

Monday 9th March – Year R Curiosity Café 2pm

Tuesday 10th March – Year 2 Curiosity Café 2pm

Wednesday 11th March - Year 1 Curiosity Café 2pm

Thursday 12th March – Year 3 Curiosity Café 2pm

Wednesday 1st April – 3.15pm School closes for Easter Holidays

Monday 20th April – School reopens for the Summer Term

Thursday 30th April – Governor Monitoring day

Friday 1st May – Fundraising day for “Finnbars Force”

Friday 1st May - School discos more Information to follow

Friday 8th May – School closed – Bank Holiday

Wednesday 20th May – Year 1 Dance Show at the Open.

Friday 22nd May – Dress up day – bring a tombola prize FOWs

Friday 22nd May – School closes for Summer Half Term

Monday 1st June – School reopens at 8.50am for second half of Summer Term

Thursday 4th June – Bags 2 Schools collection

Wednesday 10th June – Parents Evening for New Reception September 2020

Thursday 11th June – Parents Evening for New Nursery September 2020

Saturday 13th June – FOWs Summer Fayre

Wednesday 17th June – Parents Evening for New Year 3 September 2020

Thursday 18th June – School Sports Day – more information to follow

Tuesday 7th July & Wednesday 8th July – Transition – more information to follow

Wednesday 15th July – Year 2 Celebration Disco

Wednesday 24th July - School closes for summer.

Hethersett Parish Council's
Environmental Action Team

LITTER PICK



Saturday 8th February
2pm

Meet at the **village hall**

Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult.

Wrap up warm because it will be chilly!

Following picks: 14th March, 11th April &
9th May.



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