



Woodland Grange Primary

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Lighting up the World

Welcome to our October newsletter. Firstly, Happy Diwali to all our families that celebrated during this month. The festival of lights is a time for reflection and thinking of others. We hope you had a brilliant time. With the autumn term now well under way school is becoming a busy place, once again. We have completed our first set of Parents' evening appointments. Thank you for the positive feedback from these meetings. By working together, between home and school, we can make sure your child becomes the best version of themselves and we look forward to the progress that they will make during the rest of this term. It has also been lovely to see year groups going out on school trips. Year 4 have visited Lunt Fort (and will have just arrived back from their residential) and Year 6 have been on their residential trip to Condover. Year 3 are gearing up for a trip to Flag fen in November and lots more visits and experiences are planned for the rest of the year.



Keep on running

Well done to every child that took part in the Oadby and Wigston Schools Cross Country races. There were races for Year 3 and 4 pupils and a separate race (later in October) for Year 5 and 6 pupils. Overall we had an amazing 47 children take part, almost certainly more than any other Oadby or Wigston school. Some children were competing for the first time.

Running over a longer distance, competing against other children of the same age is a real challenge and we are proud of everyone that took part.



Keeping it green 1, 2, 3

This year at Woodland Grange, we are having a whole school focus on sustainability. Schools across the country are being asked to look at their impact on the environment and consider whether there is a better way to do things. This may be through our school dinners or looking at the green spaces on our site.

We will promote what we are doing in our newsletters, but wanted to kick things off by asking for your help in a couple of ways:

1. Please send in any breacktime snacks (fruit, veg or cheese and crackers) in a named, reusable container. This means it can come home, get washed and reused.



2. Please consider using our pre-loved uniform provider, Uniformly. All the information is on the back of this newsletter. By reusing uniform (which is cheaper and just as good as new) you are cutting down on clothes having to go to landfill sites.



3. Leave the car at home. By walking, scooting or riding to school you are cutting down on harmful emissions outside the school gates.



The fiendish Friends of wicked Woodland Gra-argh-nge

October is always a spooky time of the year for FOWG. They will be organising their Hallowe'en discos once again and with tickets selling fast, it's always advisable to get in early!

The discos are taking place on Friday 31/10 for Preschool and EYFS and Friday 7/11 for the rest of the school. **See your FOWG WhatsApp reps for more information.** The Friends will also need lots of parent volunteers to support at these events. If you can spare some time, let them know!

Thank you to everyone that supported Break the Rules day on Friday 3rd October. The children looked brilliant with their non-uniform and crazy hair. They also enjoyed their non-healthy snacks and drinks (the staff enjoyed that part too!)

Thank you to FOWG for organising the Year 6 leavers hoodies too. It is always lovely to see them wearing them for the duration of their final year at school.

We will continue to promote FOWG in our newsletters. They do an amazing voluntary job for the school and raise lots of money that will go to support every WG child.





Lots of smiles and lots of concentration on the Year 6 residential at Condover.



There were so many activities. From kayaking to abseiling, buggy building to high ropes. Which were your favourites?



Having fun at Condover

Year 6 had a fantastic week away at Condover during October. They were a brilliant team during the week, helping and supporting each other to overcome fears and try out new things. Thank you to all the staff that organised and attended the trip and thanks also to all the staff that supported the pupils back at school.



Parking

We will continue to challenge poor parking on the roads close to school. We appreciate this does not apply to many families who park with care and consideration. Please remember the following:

- Do not stop on the yellow zig zags outside of school
- Do not park over or block pavements or residents driveways
- Switch off your engine when you are waiting outside of school

You can still use the Grange Farm pub car park to 'park and stride' to school. It only takes 3 minutes to walk to school, doesn't affect local residents and means you get fresh air and exercise on your way to school.

UNIFORM DONATIONS WANTED

Items with the school logo:

- ✓ School cardigans/ jumpers
- ✓ PE t-shirts
- ✓ PE jumpers
- ✓ Book bags

Items need to be
~ clean
~ in good, reusable condition
(no holes, paint/pen marks etc)
~ size label attached
~ nametags removed

Donating items & purchasing options can be arranged by contacting us on fowg.uniformerly@gmail.com.
Donations to the school reception or to pre-school will not be accepted.

reduce, reuse, donate



Food bank

We will continue to support Oadby food bank at school. The collection box is located near the main entrance and donations of dried/tinned goods, rice/pasta, breakfast cereals or jars of sauces will all be gratefully received. No fresh food please. **The food bank is open on Fridays between 11.30 and 12.30. It is located at Oadby Trinity Methodist Church. The next collection dates will be 7th and 21st of November.**

Key Dates

7/11 Hallowe'en disco
7/11 Individual photos
28/11 Decorations day