



Woodland Grange Primary

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Happy holidays

Welcome to our final newsletter for this academic year. As we get ready for the Summer Holidays, everyone at school would like to wish all our families a happy and relaxing time. Whatever you get up to, make time to spend it together as a family. We would also like to wish any departing pupils good luck for their new start. Year 6 have had their transition days and will now begin their new adventures at secondary school. We also know there are pupils in other year groups who will not be with us in August. Good luck to everyone.

Finally, we hope you were able to visit your child's new classroom in the final week of term. It was lovely to see children in their new classes with their new teachers and adults on transition day. We are also welcoming a new cohort into Foundation Stage and Preschool. Welcome to Woodland Grange, we hope you enjoy your time with us.



Staffing for 2026/27

Preschool: Mrs Turner

Foundation Stage: Mrs Johnson & Mrs Brennan

Year 1: Mrs Hibbard & Mrs Chadwick/Mrs Sabir

Year 2: Mrs Pearce & Miss Rose/Mrs Matthews

Year 3: Miss Smith & Ms Livsey-Barnes

Year 4: Mrs Barrs & Mrs Santy/Mrs Bowe

Year 5: Miss Smyton & Miss Holland

Year 6: Miss Scott & Mr Healey

We will be welcoming Ms Livsey-Barnes to our staff team when we return to school. She will be teaching in Year 3 alongside Miss Smith.



Book Fair

Thank you to everyone that visited the Bookfair earlier in the term. We raised over £560 for school as a result of your purchases, an astonishing amount. We will use that money to buy new books for our library and also replenish books in classrooms.

Thank you to Miss Smith and all the staff that helped out with the book fairs this year. *It will return next year...*

Summer reading

Remember, you can now sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge (organised by the library service). This year, the theme is 'Read to the beat' with a musical flavour to this reading for pleasure event. More info can be found [here](#).

Sign up now and get reading. We want as many Woodland Grange pupils to complete this challenge over the holidays.

Attendance

EYFS - 93.4%

Year 1 - 95.6%

Year 2 - 96.4%

Year 3 - 96.3%

Year 4 - 96.8%

Year 5 - 97.4%

Year 6 - 96.1%

Whole school - 96.03%

Well done to Year 5 on their amazing attendance of 97.4%. Congratulations to any pupil that has maintained 100% attendance for the school year. We will continue to monitor attendance next year. *Coming to school on time, every day is hugely beneficial for your child's development and progress.*



Well done to Sharnice and Aryan for passing their piano grading exams recently. Sophia and Naylen will find out how they got on very soon.

Parking

Next year we will continue to monitor parking outside of our school site. Thank you to everyone that parks with care and consideration for school users and local residents.

FOWG is for everyone

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone connected with FOWG for a brilliant Summer Festival. School was open on Saturday 4th July, with stalls and games, food and drink. There was a great turn out and everyone had a lot of fun. Altogether the event raised a lot of money. Every penny raised will come back into school to support projects that will benefit every child.



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We will be sadly be saying goodbye to some members of staff at the end of term...

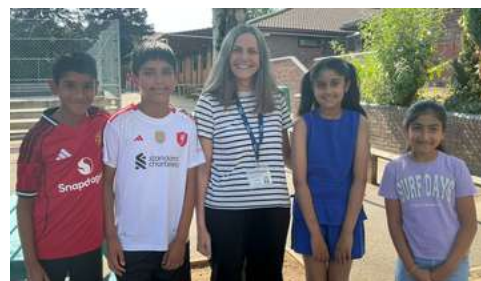


Everyone at school wishes Miss Griffiths good luck as she finishes her time at Woodland Grange. She started with us on a training placement, then qualified as a teacher and started working in 2023. The impact she has made in that relatively short time is massive. She has been an asset to the school and got involved in all areas of school life (including becoming an expert face painter!) She will be going back to Uni to study for a Masters Degree and we wish her good luck with her studies.

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Davis at the end of term. She has supported many children in her time at school and her patience and kind presence has meant that strong relationships have developed (which have lasted well beyond their time at WG). Her impact during her time at Woodland Grange (25 years) is beyond measure. The impact that she has had on every child that she has supported is huge and there will be a big hole without her care and support next year. We will miss you Mrs Davis.



Mrs Simms joined Woodland Grange in October 2023 and quickly established herself as a key member of staff. Even though she has only been with us for a relatively short amount of time, her experience and knowledge has meant that what she can offer our pupils has helped them to make progress and enjoy school.



We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Young who will be finishing as a member of our lunchtime team at the end of the year. She started with us in 2003 and has helped and supported many children through those years. Recently, she has led and managed the lunchtime team at school and we also thank her for her time in this role. Mrs Young will continue at school as part of our cleaning team.



We will be saying farewell to Mrs Fawcett at the end of term. She has worked at school for 23. In that time she has helped and supported hundreds of children. The difference she has made to the children as they have travelled through school is enormous and we will all miss her next year. Mrs Fawcett is looking forward to spending time with her own family and not having to set the alarm clock! Goodbye and good luck Mrs Fawcett.



We wanted to update families on our Woodland Walkers challenge. You may remember that a group of staff took on the Leicestershire 3 peaks challenge (a 16 mile walk) in aid of a very special pupil in Foundation Stage. The total raised was £4275 with, incredibly generous donations from the WG community. We were visited in assembly by Beth from PASIC who told us that the money would go to support families who are living with a childhood cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Oadby Food Bank

We will continue to support this important, local scheme after the Summer Holiday. If you know of a family that need their support, the collection dates can be found online. The next dates will be 3rd, 17th and 31st July.



Purchasing options and donating items can be arranged throughout the year, by contacting us on fowguniform@gmail.com.

Donations to the school reception or to pre-school will not be accepted.

WANTED...

Items with the school logo:

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

Items must be

- ~ clean
- ~ in good, reusable condition (no holes, paint/pen marks etc.)
- ~ size label attached
- ~ nametags removed

reduce, reuse, donate



Key Dates

13th July: Summer club starts
25th August: Start of term

Don't forget, if you need any uniform for the new academic year. Uniformly (our preloved uniform scheme) is here to help.