



Woodlands' Newsletter

16th November
2020

Phrase of the Week: The quickest way to fail is not to try!

Contact us Breakfast club bookings bc@woodlands.staffs.sch.uk

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(office open 8.00am—4.00pm)

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Our website is continually growing and is full of useful information links and activities for the children. It is also where we post most information

Please remember to log in to the website

Well done to our WOW workers

Class	06.11.20	13.11.20	Class	06.11.20	13.11.20
Birch	Kody	Ella	Willow	Harry	Liam
Elm	Robyn Q	Lucas P	Aspen	Ava	Eddie
Pine	Tarron	Tymon	Chestnut	Jake M	Amira
Maple	Harvey	N/A	Redwood	Max	Molly R
Spruce	Eva	Amber	Oak	Alfie	Callum
Ash	Austin	Ella			

Attendance

	Best Class		Best House		Whole School
Week Ending: 06/11/20	Ash, Birch, Pine	100%	Grazier	99.09%	98.46%
Week Ending: 13/11/20	Ash, Birch	100%	Peel	97.55%	96.59%
Our goal is at least 97.5%			Year so far:		97.67%

House points

Week Ending:	06/11/20	13/11/20		06/11/20	13/11/20
Peel	192	254	Grazier	186	210
Ethelfleda	197	240	Offa	171	202

Dear Families,

As you are aware we have had a positive Covid 19 case in school last week and one class has been contacted to self isolate until the 20th November. ONLY those contacted need to self isolate- all siblings and other children in the school are to attend as normal.

School continues to follow all guidelines and keeps bubbles separate. We are also reducing the risk through many other actions in school. Please continue to help by reminding children to wash their hands regularly, and cough into a tissue then throw it away. Adults can also help:

- Arrive at school on time-not early- not late
- Only one adult to bring the children
- Move away from the school gates as soon as the child is in the school's care
- Socially distance whilst waiting
- Wear a mask if you MUST visit school



Please remember that if anyone in your household is waiting for a Covid test result then the whole household **must stay in isolation. Children **CANNOT** attend school if anyone in the household is waiting for test results.**

Please contact the school if your child is off school for any reason. We complete a government survey daily to report how many children are off school due to any Covid related incidents, [symptoms, waiting test, isolation etc.]

Remote learning



If your child is absent from school then please use the school website for their first 3 days of learning. Please go to the 'Learning' drop down and then select your child's class.

Every week the teachers upload learning and activities linked to the learning going on in school so that the children do not miss out on their learning if at home. This includes learning activities, video lessons, websites and education city links that directly link to that week's learning.

The children are practicing accessing the learning platforms in school so that they find it easy if they have to isolate at home at some point.

If your child needs to isolate, the school will also be in regular contact to check that the children are well and also that they are understanding the work set and how staff can help.

E-school log in

To access all of the facilities on the school website and to book parent evening consultations, parents need to log into their e-school account on the website. This will also help the school get communications to you quicker and easier. We are also investigating using this as an ongoing remote learning platform to make home e-learning easier and in one place for the children.



Parent Evenings

Although we usually have a 'settling in' open evening in October, sadly, we were not able to have them due to Covid restrictions this year.

However at the Woodlands we usually have full Parent Evenings in January and April- this falls after the termly assessments so that teachers are able to share the latest information about the children's learning, attendance and next steps.

This year due to restrictions we are unable to hold face to face meetings so teachers will be holding Parent Evening by telephone. To help manage this and distribute the telephones in school the consultations will be spread over a 2 week period. They will still be after the assessments and staff will share the latest information with you.

Ask, Oak, Willow Maple and Spruce will hold their parent evenings before Christmas

Pine, Birch, Elm, Chestnut, Aspen and Redwood will be after Christmas

Willow/Maple/Spruce	Monday 14th December <i>early session</i> Tuesday 15th December <i>later session</i>
Ash/Oak	Wednesday 16th December <i>later session</i> Thursday 17th December <i>early session</i>
Pine/Birch/Elm	Monday 4th January <i>later session</i> Tuesday 5th January <i>early session</i>
Redwood/Chestnut/Aspen	Wednesday 6th January <i>early session</i> Thursday 7th January <i>later session</i>

Exact timings will be released shortly. Please ensure that the school has your most up to date telephone number before the parent evening.

Appointments must be booked through the school website - we will open bookings 2 weeks before the parent evenings

Woodlands Art Competition



We hope that all of the children enter the
Whole School Art Competition

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone's
Winter pictures that will be celebrated around
the school

Entries need to be handed to Mrs Laffan by
Monday 23rd November

Curriculum Information

In our latest survey some parents asked for more information about the curriculum for each year group - what was being learned in each subject and what was expected of the children in each year group.

All of this information is on the school website under - 'School Information' tab then Curriculum.

There is lots of information about each subject and each year group - we will be adding even more information shortly to help families engage with the children's learning. We will also be holding more workshops via teams or zoom to help families have a window into what and how the children learn at school.

*This year we will be having **Christmas dinner** on ...*

Friday the 11th of December.

This meal will need to be booked and paid for in advance to ensure that the kitchen provide enough food for all of the children.

We will be sending a letter with an order slip attached at the end of this month.

Please make sure your ParentPay account is up to date.



*As a community School we would like our support for the Foodbank to be ongoing. We are happy to be able to provide a permanent Food donation point. Therefore we are starting '**Foodbank Friday**' - a weekly opportunity to allow the children to bring a contribution in, if possible, to keep supporting local families in need. We ask that you donate what you can, when you can, it is all appreciated.*

Dates for your diary:

Now—Christmas raffle tickets on sale - draw to take place Friday 11th December.

Monday 30th November - Inset day (school closed)

Tuesday 8th December - Flu vaccination (all school); more information will follow nearer the date.

Friday 11th December - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day.

Week Beginning 14th December—telephone parent evening consultations- information to follow

Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January—Christmas Holidays.

Monday 4th January 2021 - Spring Term starts.