



WOOLGROVE SCHOOL
Woolgrove School, Special Needs Academy



NEWSLETTER

15th February 2019

FoW Movie Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to our first Woolgrove Movie Night last Friday. It was a great success and was enjoyed by lots of families sitting together watching the film. This was a new venture for the Friends of Woolgrove and thank you to those who helped out and ensured it went so well. Donations and refreshment sales led to a profit of £240.35 which was fantastic. We will definitely look to repeat the movie night next year and we are now looking forward to the Easter egg hunt at the end of March so put the date (Saturday 30th March) in your diary!



A note from Mr Pritchard

I can't believe I've now finished my first half term as Deputy Headteacher at Woolgrove School. It's been a very busy half term but also an absolute pleasure supporting Vicky and Mrs Hall in leading our lovely school!

As Deputy Headteacher my responsibilities are Safeguarding, Behaviour and Mental Well Being – all vital in ensuring Woolgrove is a safe and happy place for everyone. Information on safeguarding can be found on the safeguarding page on our school website which includes a link to the **Families First** website – a really useful site full of information to help support parents and carers.

We are currently having a big focus on our school motto, **Live, Laugh and Learn**, and linking this to positive behaviour and learning in our school! I am hoping to hold a parents' meeting next half term to explain how we support behaviour at Woolgrove. Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any queries or concerns regarding safeguarding or behaviour. If I am not available then you are more than welcome to contact any of our other DSPs (Designated Senior Person):

Anne Linnell – Family Support Worker

Lisa Hall – Headteacher

Vicky Litchfield – Deputy Headteacher and Head of Lower School

Sue Pitchers – Head of Upper School

Our Safeguarding Governor is Sonia Morrison.

Parents/Carers' Consultation Evenings

Woolgrove School Designated Safeguarding Lead

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You will shortly be receiving your appointment preference letter for parents/carers' evening. Please ensure that you book a time on one of the dates to speak to your child's class teacher as it is very important for us to get the opportunity to speak with you about your child's progress. It will also give you an opportunity to look at some of their work in school and discuss ways in which you may be able to support their learning. The Parents' Evenings are on Tuesday 5th March and Wednesday 13th March between 4.00pm and 7.00pm.

Celebration Afternoons

We have the first few dates for our class Celebration Afternoons. If your child's class is not shown yet don't worry as each class will hold one Celebration Afternoon each academic year, so there is plenty of time. Your child's class teacher will provide you with more specific information regarding how your child's event will run nearer the date of their celebration but please note these start at 2pm.

Class	Date
Star	Wednesday 6 th March
Blue	Tuesday 19 th March
Yellow	Thursday 21 st March
Red	Tuesday 26 th March

Internet Safety Day



This year saw the biggest Safer Internet Day ever, with more than 2,100 organisations and schools across the UK getting involved to help inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively. Woolgrove was one of the thousands of schools to have a mini-topic day on 5th February. Our focus was about keeping the children and

ourselves safe whilst online. We discussed the different devices that can be used to access the internet: computers, laptops, iPads, tablets, phones etc. We talked about different things that might make us feel sad, worried or upset and most importantly what we do if this ever happens - we always tell an adult!

You can browse all the schools that participated in Safer Internet Day at:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019>

If you are ever worried about your children accessing YouTube a great alternative to use is *YouTube Kids*. It is a fantastic resource provided for free by YouTube and filters content that they deem not suitable for children.

Mr Fawcett, Computing Subject Leader

Diary Dates

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We continue to have a variety of activities taking place at school. Please make a note in the diary of relevant dates and you will receive more detailed information as we get nearer. Below is a list of a few key dates.

Please note the change of INSET Day as detailed previously.

At the bottom of this newsletter are the remaining term dates for 2018-19 and for the following year 2019-20.

March	
Tuesday 5th	Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00 pm
Wednesday 13th	Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00 pm
Wednesday 20th	Parents' Curriculum Information Evening 7.00 – 8.30 pm
Saturday 30th	FoW Easter Egg Hunt 10am – 12pm
April	
Monday 1 st – 5th	Wymondley Wood Trip (Pyramid Class)
Friday 5 th	TERMS ENDS 1.45 pm Finish
Tuesday 23 rd	Children return to school (no INSET day as previously planned)
May	
Friday 3 rd May	INSET DAY (no school for children)
Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday (no school for children)
Monday 20 th – 24th	Wymondley Wood Trip (Sphere Class)
July	
Wednesday 3rd	Junior Sports Day (Years 4,5,6)
Wednesday 10th	Reserve Junior Sports Day (Years 4,5,6)
	Information regarding Infant and Year 3 Sports events will follow
Wednesday 24th	TERMS ENDS 1.45 pm Finish

I hope you all have a lovely restful half term and that this gorgeous mild weather continues. It really does feel like Spring is on its way!



Mrs Lisa Hall, *Head Teacher*

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2018 - 2019 TERM and INSET Dates

Term Dates 2018 / 2019		
SPRING	Half Term	Monday 18 th February – Friday 22 nd February
	Term ends	Friday 5 th April
SUMMER	Children start back	Tuesday 23 rd April 2019
	INSET DAY	Friday 3rd May
	Half Term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May
	Term ends	Wednesday 24 th July 2019

*******PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES ARE FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR*******

2019 - 2020 TERM and INSET Dates

AUTUMN	INSET	Monday 2nd September 2019
	Pupils start	Tuesday 3rd September 2019
	Half Term	Monday 28 th – Friday 1 st November 2019
	INSET day	Monday 4th November 2019
	OCCASIONAL DAY (no pupils)	Friday 6th December 2019
	Term ends	Friday 20 th December 2019
SPRING	INSET	Monday 6th January 2020
	Pupils start	Tuesday 7th January 2020
	Half Term	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February 2020
	Term ends	Friday 3 rd April 2020
SUMMER	Pupils start	Monday 20th April 2020
	Half Term	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May 2020
	Term ends	Friday 17 th July
	INSET day	Monday 20th July 2020

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