



**WOOLGROVE SCHOOL**  
Woolgrove School, Special Needs Academy



**NEWSLETTER**

29th September 2021



**Important Autumn Term dates**

As we are gradually returning to our traditional activities and events we have included a list for this term. Please make a note of the important dates so that you can make any necessary work / child care arrangements. Specific details of the individual events will be circulated nearer the time. All the events below have been organised following current Government guidelines, which may be subject to change as the term progresses.

**Event Dates Autumn Term 2021**

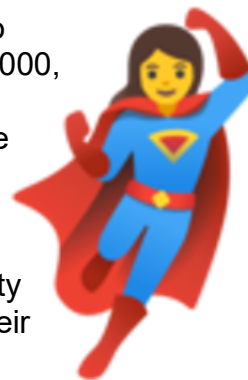
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| <b>September</b> |   |
| Thursday 30th    | Year 5 Transition Evening 7.00 pm   |
|                  |   |
| <b>October</b>   |   |
| Monday 25th      | HALF TERM WEEK  |
|                  |   |
| <b>November</b>  |   |
| Monday 1st       | INSET DAY   |
| Tuesday 9th      | Parents Evening (4.00 pm – 7.30 pm)   |
| Wednesday 10th   | Parents Evening (4.00 pm – 7.30 pm)   |
|                  |   |
| <b>December</b>  |   |
| Wednesday 8th    | Christmas Performance (Daytime – Diamond, Star, Triangle, Sphere, Cube, Cone, Hexagon, Pyramid) |
| Thursday 9th     | Christmas Performance (Daytime – Diamond, Star, Triangle, Sphere, Cube, Cone, Hexagon, Pyramid) |
| Friday 10th      | Occasional Day (No School)  |
| Tuesday 14th     | Christmas Bazaar  |
| Wednesday 15th   | Christmas Lunch   |
|                  |   |
| Friday 17th      | EYFS Nativity Play (Blue, Red, Yellow)  |
| Monday 20th      | Father Christmas 1.00 (Christmas Jumper Day)  |
| Tuesday 21st     | TERM ENDS   |

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## **Fundraising**

A huge 'thank you' to everyone that donated money in response to Frances' epic 'Coast to Coast' challenge. Frances raised over £2,000, which is a wonderful amount of money for the school and so welcome considering the difficult times for fundraising recently. We really do appreciate your support and I am sure you would like to join me in thanking and congratulating Frances for a generous gesture and a fantastic effort.

You also helped us to raise £178.00 for the Jeans for Genes charity via donations for the non uniform day last Friday. Thank you on their behalf for your generosity.



## **Class Topics**

Listed below are this term's topics for each class. The children will be focusing on these throughout the term and linking their learning to the themes. The Parent Information Maps that you have recently received will provide more curriculum detail and will also provide you with some ideas on how you can support your child's learning at home. You can also find the Parent Information Maps on the school website at: <http://woolgrove.herts.sch.uk/about-us/curriculum/>

| <b>Class</b>     | <b>Topic</b>   |
|------------------|--|
| Blue / Red       | Ourselves and our world - Celebrations               |
| Yellow           | Superheroes  |
| Triangle / Cone  | Giraffes can't dance / Five minutes peace            |
| Hexagon/ Pyramid | Film / Save our planet                               |
| Sphere / Cube    | All about me / Fashion                               |
| Diamond / Star   | Fairytales and mythical creatures / Towns and cities |

## **Fuel shortages**

I am very conscious that should the current situation regarding fuel availability continue it may impact on the ability of some children and staff to get into school. As a school we are fully prepared to utilise the home learning methods that were introduced at times last year, should it become necessary. If, for whatever reason, your child cannot get to school but is well and able to work, there will be work set via their class email address. Hopefully you have utilised this email address to keep in contact with your child's staff but just to confirm, in order to access the class emails use the format (classname)@woolgrove.herts.sch.uk e.g red@woolgrove.herts.sch.uk

## **Term Dates**

On the next pages are the term dates for the remainder of this academic year and 2022 / 2023. Please note that because the extra Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next year is on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, (during half term), schools are able to choose when they take that day so that children and staff do not miss out on the extra holiday. Woolgrove will take the extra day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> will

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then be an INSET day and the children will return from Half Term on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

Please do make a note of the dates that terms start and finish as they may well differ to other schools. Any requests for absence during term time can only be granted in 'exceptional circumstances' and I hope that publishing the dates well in advance will give families the opportunity to organise holidays and events outside of school term. With the amount of time in school that the majority of children have missed over the past year and a half it is vital that they here as much as they possibly can be.

The term dates will also be published on the school website,  
<https://woolgrove.herts.sch.uk/>.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa Hall', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lisa Hall  
Head Teacher

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# 2021 - 2022 TERM and INSET Dates

|               |                                   |  |
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|               |                                   |  |
| <b>AUTUMN</b> | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2021           |
|               | <b>INSET day</b>                  | Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021                                     |
|               | <b>OCCASIONAL DAY (no pupils)</b> | Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2021                                    |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2021                                   |
|               |                                   |  |
| <b>SPRING</b> | <b>INSET</b>                      | Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022                                   |
|               | <b>Pupils start</b>               | Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2022                                    |
|               | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022  |
|               |                                   |  |
| <b>SUMMER</b> | <b>Pupils start</b>               | Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April   |
|               | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022           |
|               | <b>Bank Holiday</b>               | Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022   |
|               | <b>INSET</b>                      | Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022  |
|               | <b>Pupils start</b>               | Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June   |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022                                      |
|               | <b>INSET day</b>                  | Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022  |

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# 2022 - 2023 TERM and INSET Dates

|               |                                   |  |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>AUTUMN</b> | <b>INSET</b>                      | Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September                                       |
|               | <b>Phased Pupils start</b>        | Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September   |
|               | <b>Phased Pupils start</b>        | Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September   |
|               | <b>All Pupils start</b>           | Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September  |
|               | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022  |
|               | <b>INSET day</b>                  | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022                                     |
|               | <b>OCCASIONAL DAY (no pupils)</b> | Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December  |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December                                      |
| <b>SPRING</b> | <b>INSET</b>                      | Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January   |
|               | <b>INSET</b>                      | Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January   |
|               | <b>Pupils start</b>               | Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January   |
|               | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March  |
| <b>SUMMER</b> | <b>Pupils start</b>               | Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April  |
|               | <b>Half Term</b>                  | Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023           |
|               | <b>Term ends</b>                  | Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July   |
|               | <b>INSET day</b>                  | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July   |

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