



'the pathway to success'

Woodhouse Community Primary School

NEWS LETTER

Summer 1 Week 3 & 4: ending 17/5/19



***Our Rights Respecting focus this half term is UNICEF Article 12:
'Children have the right to say what they think should happen when adults are making decisions
that effect them and to have their opinions taken into account'***

SAT's: I would like to say a huge WELL DONE to all of our Year 6 children who completed their SATs tests this week. In my 7 years at WCPS, I have never had a Year 6 class who were so determined, resilient and mature in their approach to SATs: we are so proud of each and every one of you. I would also like to say a massive thank you to all of our dedicated staff who have worked so hard to prepare the children across the years and especially in their final Year 6. In addition, Carol and the staff in Breakfast Club have again gone above and beyond, preparing a fabulous free breakfast every day for the children to make sure they are ready for the tests.

Finally, I would also like to add that important as they are, SATs alone do not define our children: we know we have prepared them for the next stage of their educational career by being thoughtful, responsible, tolerant, caring and determined young people and those qualities do not come with a score. You've been amazing, Year 6! Thank you very much!

Our Year 2 children have also been completing their SATs across this week and next. Once again, they have approached the tests with determination and positivity and we could not have asked for a better attitude from our children! Thanks as always to the staff who again have worked so hard to fully prepare the children and to Mrs Hindmarch for volunteering to come in and help when needed.

Head teacher & Deputy Head Teacher Role: I am delighted to let you know that Governors have agreed to appoint Mrs Smith as Acting Head Teacher with Mrs Byrne as Acting Deputy Head Teacher from September. The permanent post of Head Teacher will be advertised and appointed ready for 1st January 2010.

Internal Audit: This week we have had the Internal Auditors in school for day 1 of a 2 day auditing inspection which checks our admin and financial procedures. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Dixon and Mrs Nicholls for all their hard work in preparing for this and for all the excellent systems we have in place.

After School Clubs: Letters for next half-term's after school clubs will be coming out next week. Numbers for clubs are limited and always in high demand but we will draw names from a hat to ensure it's as fair as possible.

Uniforms: please can I remind everyone that uniform must be worn every day. If you need to purchase new uniform, or want to get organised ready for September, please speak to the Office staff.

Sunny Weather: As the weather is now beginning to get warmer (hooray!) please make sure children bring a cap / sun hat to school and sun-cream is applied before they come to school. Children all need a water bottle (no juice, please) in school every day to keep hydrated. Thank you.



Astronomical Attendance:

	Weekly Average Attendance %	% of class with 100% attendance this week	Minutes late lost per class
Reception	93.6	75	3 children 132 mins
Year 1	97.9	90	2 children 3 mins
Year 2	91.6	80	3 children 45 mins
Year 3	92.5	79	1 child 104 mins
Year 4	92.9	78	4 children 52 mins
Year 5	88.6	66	4 children 62 mins
Year 6	96.0	80	1 child 50 mins
	Ave. 93.3 %		446 mins ☹ ☹ ☹

Average attendance this week for Rec- Y6 = 93.3 %: this is slightly below the government's expectations, let's see an improvement next week. Punctuality needs a huge improvement, please!

Diary Dates:

Monday 20 th May	Year 2 SATS – attendance this week is crucial
Thursday 23 rd May	EYFS Closed for European Election Polling Years 1 to 6 must attend school as usual
Friday 24 th May	Break up
Tuesday 4 th June	Staff and children return to school Tuesday 4th June
Monday 10 th June (all week)	Year 1 Phonics Test. Attendance this week is crucial
Tuesday 11 th July	Y6 Leavers Service @ Durham Cathedral (children only)
Thursday 13 th June	Father's Day Lunch: Years 1, 2 & 3 (letters will go out after half term)
Friday 14 th June	Father's Day Lunch: Years 4, 5 & 6
Monday 17 th June	EYFS Father's Day Lunch Celebration 10.30am
Thursday 20 th June	Reception and Y6 Graduation Photographs
Friday 21 st June 11am -1pm	The Big Play: Singing and Samba Carnival for children and families. Letters and ticket information after half term
Monday 24 th June	Y5 Curriculum Week
Tuesday 2 nd July	Y4 Class Assembly
Thursday 4 th July	9.30am: EYFS Graduation
Friday 5 th July	Summer Fayre 1.30-3.00pm
Monday 8 th July	Y3 Residential (home on Tuesday 9 th)
	9.30 EYFS Sports Day
Wednesday 10 th July – Friday 12 th July	Y6 Secondary School Transition Visits
Monday 15 th July	Sports Day: 9.30-10.30: Y3 & 4 11.00-12.00: Y5 & 6 1.30-2.30: Y1 & 2
Friday 19 th July	9.15am: Y6 Leavers Assembly Break up for Summer
Wednesday 4th September	Children return to school

Mrs T Page

Headteacher

