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Spring Term Week 1 **Friday 13th January**

Rights Respecting Focus this half-term: Article 13

'Children have the right to get, and to share, information as long as the information is not damaging to themselves or others.' Next month is Safer Internet Day and we will be looking again at how to make sure we stay safe online.

After School Clubs: Please check to see which after school clubs your child is attending this half term. All clubs, (except for Art Club on Thursdays which ends at 4.30pm,) start at 3-4pm. Please ensure you are there promptly to collect your child at the correct time.

Art Club: it was lovely to welcome children from Toft Hill Primary to our joint Art Club this week. The children are working closely together on various activities and will be visiting The Baltic in Newcastle next week. This is to work towards achieving the Arts Mark Award in school, celebrating the wide range of arts activities to enhance our experiences and learning.

Drama Club: Mrs Smith, Miss Fitch and myself started our new Drama Club this week. We are very excited at performing a production called 'Porridge!' in the Summer term: any last-minute letters must be returned on Monday to join up.

House Points Treat: As we were so busy at the end of term, we arranged to have the winning House Points team treat the first full week back. So, Emeralds enjoyed a movie and popcorn afternoon this afternoon. Well done Emeralds: let's see who will be the winning team at the end of this term...

Bad Weather Warning: Unless you receive a text to say otherwise, in the event of snow, school will remain open as normal. If in severe circumstances we have to close, you will receive a text as early as possible that day to let you know. If we are closed, it will also be announced in red on our Home page of the school website:

www.woodhousecommunity.durham.sch.uk

Appropriate clothing: Please ensure your child has appropriate warm clothing, including hats, gloves and scarves during this bad weather. Please also ensure footwear is waterproof (wellies / boots) and a change of shoes are brought to school as wellies are very uncomfortable to wear all day.

Bike & Scooter Security Marking: The police will be offering free security marking of bikes and scooters after school on Friday 20th January from 3-4pm. Please bring your equipment down and get it marked securely.



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Segways: Segways must be kept off the school premises: we have had several near-misses with younger children this week. The area is too congested so please keep them outside of the school gates and away from the busy paths. Thank you.

Parking: The police have informed me that several vehicles have been observed parking not only on the yellow safety markings outside of school but actually completely on the path. This is a dangerous obstruction and as such may incur fines and the situation is being monitored closely by the police. Please park away from the immediate vicinity of the school, for the safety of your children.

Dogs: We have had several instances of dogs fouling on the grass outside of the nursery premises. Dogs are strictly prohibited on the school premises, even on a lead. Please do not bring them to school.

Robin Wood Residential: Mrs Smith is holding a meeting for all Y5 & Y6 going to Robin Wood on Thursday 26th January at 3pm.

Attendance: This week the winners of Astronomical Attendance are Class1 with 97%. Well done!

Reception: 82.40%
Y1: 97.00%
Y2: 95.17%
Y3: 92.50%
Y4: 89.26%
Y5: 89.64%
Y6: 95.83%

Dates for your Diary: (please also check the school website diary pages for key dates throughout the year)

Friday 17th February

Break up for Half - Term

Mrs Page
Head teacher

