



# Woodland Grange Primary NEWSLETTER September 2019

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## Welcome back

We hope you had a brilliant summer break. We are still due a few sunny days (hopefully) and everyone at Woodland Grange is revved up and ready to go for the new school year! It was lovely seeing so many smiling faces on the first day of term, catching up with friends and hearing about the exciting things that have been happening.

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Foundation Stage pupils. They will begin their journey with us very soon and it's always wonderful to watch them at the start of the year when so many things are new. We are also welcoming children in other year groups across the school. It's a feature of Woodland Grange that our children make any new starters feel at home.

There are already lots of exciting things happening in school. Our Year 6s are travelling to Bude for their residential and there are trips planned for other year groups too. Music lessons and clubs will also be starting up again very soon.

Finally don't forget our upcoming Curriculum Evenings. These are happening during September. Dates are available on the school website and over the page. Please make a point of attending these even if you have had a child in that year group before.

**Everyone at school is looking forward to a fun and productive term.**

## Teaching Staff for 2019-2020

<b>Preschool:</b>	Mrs Smith
<b>Foundation Stage:</b>	Miss Murdock & Miss Rose
<b>Year 1:</b>	Mrs Hajat & Miss Rabheru/Mrs Smyton
<b>Year 2:</b>	Mrs Henton/Mrs Cobbold & Mrs Chadwick/Mr Parker
<b>Year 3:</b>	Miss Benjamin & Mrs Santy/Ms Hopewell
<b>Year 4:</b>	Mr Fletcher & Miss Bowe
<b>Year 5:</b>	Mrs Fletcher , Miss Smith & Mr Healey
<b>Year 6:</b>	Mrs Barrs & Mr Smith

A very warm welcome to Miss Smith and Miss Rabheru who are joining our fantastic staff team this year. Miss Rabheru will be working alongside Mrs Hajat in Year 1 and Miss Smith will take the additional class in Year 5 with Mrs Fletcher and Mr Healey.

## **Parking at Woodland Grange**

A reminder that we expect all visitors to school to park in a polite and courteous way. Please do not block the zig zag lines outside school. It is an area that must be kept clear for any pedestrians to cross.

Please also be mindful of local residents. Do not block driveways or access to their houses.

We hope all parents and carers can remember these points as we move through the term.



## All things FoWG

Our **amazing** parent's association the Friends of Woodland Grange will be having their AGM at school on 26th of September. If you can spare any time to support them this year, please come along.

Remember that they work on a voluntary basis raising **thousands** of pounds for school. Every penny goes to benefit all pupils and they need as many parents and carers to get involved as possible.



### The view from the pupils...

At the end of last term we surveyed pupils to see what they thought about life at Woodland Grange. Asking for pupil views is an invaluable way of making sure that that we listen to their ideas and views on how our school should be run. Here are some of the results...

#### **My teachers help me do my best:**

**Yes: 83% Sometimes: 15% No: 2%**

#### **My school encourages me to be independent & take on responsibilities**

**Definitely Yes: 73% Yes: 19%**

#### **I would recommend Woodland Grange to a friend:**

**Yes: 90% No: 10%**

#### **I enjoy school:**

**Yes: 69% Sometimes: 30% No: 1%**

#### **I feel safe at school:**

**Yes: 95% No: 5%**

#### **My school encourages me to look after my physical health**

**Definitely Yes: 60% Yes: 31%**

### **A Birthday Book**

We know that sometimes children love to bring in small gifts for the class when it's their birthday. Last year parents may remember that we asked for children to bring in a book for the class as an alternative gift (and one that subsequent classes could share too).

We would love for children to continue to do this for birthdays during this academic year. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need inspiration of any suitable authors or titles. It could be a fiction, non-fiction, poetry or even a joke book.



### **Food Bank**

Don't forget that we have a food bank collection box located in school by the office. All items are collected fortnightly and delivered to the Oadby Food Bank. Please remember to send in any tins or packets (no fresh or chilled/frozen produce please).

### **Saving the Planet one step at a time...**

We will shortly be starting two new recycling initiatives in school.

Each class will have a container for old pens that no longer work. We will collect them from each classroom and send them to be recycled (there are many schemes locally that will take donations). Preschool have been collecting for a while and we want to roll it out across the school.

We will also be recycling empty crisp packets in school. Look out for collection bins and deposit any empty, flat (not folded) crisp packets only (no nuts). We will keep you updated on how much we have collected, please give any donations to your child's class teacher.

**THANK YOU!**



### **Dates for your diary:**

- 2-6/9: Year 6 residential to Bude**
- 10/9: Year 6 curriculum evening**
- 16/9: Foundation Stage & Year 3 curriculum evening**
- 17/9: Year 2 curriculum evening**
- 18/9: Year 1 & Year 5 curriculum evening**
- 19/9: Year 4 curriculum evening**
- 26/9: FoWG AGM**
- 30/9 & 1/10: Individual photos**

*All dates can be found on the school website calendar. Visit [www.woodlandwideweb.org.uk](http://www.woodlandwideweb.org.uk) and click on the calendar on the homepage...*



### **Yoga**

Yoga sessions will be continuing to run in the school hall every Tuesday beginning at 6.30pm. The sessions are open to anyone (beginner to expert) and will cost £6.00 per session.

Mats can be provided.

**ADULTS ONLY PLEASE**