

High Academic Standards: Sporting Opportunities: Caring Relationships: Musical Excellence: Christian Values

Date	Event
September	
Thursday 19 th	PTA meeting 8pm Four Bells Inn
Thursday 19 th	Year 4 Visit to the Mill
Monday 23 rd	9.30am Reading challenge assembly
Wednesday 25 th – 27 th	Year 5 Residential to PGL
Tuesday 24 th	New Class R applicants' parents visit 2pm (fully booked)
Monday 30 th	9.00am Class 6 parents coffee morning 9.30 Class 6 Assembly
October	
Wednesday 2 nd	9am Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
Thursday 10 th	5pm Maths Parents Meeting
Friday 11 th October	School Photos – pre-school sibling 8.30am
Wednesday 16 th	Girls Football away @ St Wilfrid's
Thursday 17 th	Girls Football away @ Mapperley Plains
Thursday 17 th	School Disco (3.45 – 5.30)
Friday 18 th	INSET
21 – 1 st November	Half term

PTA meeting Thursday 19th September 8pm Four Bells Inn

You are very welcome to join the PTA this Thursday. All parents are members of the PTA and any help is always welcome.

Parents' Information Meetings

We have a number of parent information evenings planned over the year. Please let the office know if you are able to attend so we can plan for numbers. If you can't attend but would like information we will put the presentation on the website and I am also happy to rerun the session during the parents' evenings planned for November, if you let me know. Please also let me know if there are any other areas you would like

1. Supporting reading in the early years Tuesday 24th September 9am
2. Maths Parents Meeting 4pm Thursday 10th October 2019
3. Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar 2nd October 9am
4. Coming soon – "Art in the primary school." and "Reading with your child."

Reading Challenge Assembly 9.30 Monday 23rd September

Congratulations to all the children who took part in our summer reading challenge. There will be a special assembly to celebrate their achievements. You are all very welcome to join us.

Harvest Festival

Thank you for your support, please bring any harvest food donations by Monday 23rd September.

Class R and Class 6 snow drop appeal.

We would like to ask classes R and 6 to donate snow drop bulbs which can be planted on the bank in the front playground as a way to celebrate their time at the school. Please send them into school before the end of September. Also, are there any gardeners willing to prepare the ground for planting the snowdrops? Please let us know, you bring a gardening fork and we will bring the cups of tea.

Walk to school week

This week is our walk to school week. We are encouraging all children to design a poster to encourage walking a bit more to school and to stay safe as the darker nights start to draw in. Please remember you can park at the Four Bells and Nags Head. Do not park between the zig zag lines at the the front of the school, there is a by-law preventing this during school hours due to the narrowing of Lingwood Lane at this point. I look forward to your support in this important matter.

Swimming

Nottinghamshire County Council Swimming have advised it would be best practice to send one year group for the full 12 weeks of swimming. Previously we have sent Y4 for 6 weeks and Y3 for 6 weeks. However, their advice is that a longer period of time give the children the best chance of achieving their target of swimming 50m confidently with a range of strokes and being able to perform a range of lifesaving activities. We are consulting on trialling this approach with Y4 this year, starting in the Spring term. Please let us have your responses for the governors to consider by October 4th.

School uniform policy

Please note below an extract from the school uniform policy. This has been published in the school prospectus and a number of newsletters for several years, but is still being missed.

The only pieces of jewellery allowed are watches. Bizarre hair styles, tramlines, letters or patterns shaved into hair and unnatural colours are not allowed. Hair bands should be plain and a dark colour. **Ear rings are not allowed.** Children will not be allowed to do PE or go out at playtime with an ear ring in.

School dinners - themed days

Notts County Council have several special 'themed day lunches' planned for this term. A letter will be coming out in book bags as you will need to book a lunch. The kitchen need to order the food specially so are looking for accurate numbers. On these days only the themed menu will be served, so if you haven't booked for a lunch (payment made through sQuid for KS 2 classes) you will need to send your child with a packed lunch.

Harvest Festival – 9th October Pork and Apple burger in a bun, oven chips, sweetcorn cobettes, harvest coleslaw followed by autumnal fruity flapjack and milkshake.

Bonfire night – 5th Nov Hotdog and wedges followed by Catherine wheel cookie and apple wedge.

Remembrance day – 11th Nov Sausage toad in the hole, mashed potato and veg followed by a glory bun.

Divali – 18th Nov Chicken and lentil curry, wholegrain rice, cucumber and mint raita followed by ragi cookie.
Vegetarian option available for all menus

Applying for a place at Wood's Foundation School

“This is an outstanding school. The pupil’s spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is excellent.” OFSTED

“Wood’s Foundation Church of England Primary School is an excellent, high achieving school that has the Christian faith at its heart. The children benefit from teaching of the highest quality.”

SIAMS Inspection School Report

If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2016 you should apply for a school place soon. You should receive information from the local authority by 17th November 2019 and you will be able to apply for a school place until 15th January 2020. If you have a child who will be starting school next September, or know anyone who has, and would like to visit our school please get in touch. We look forward to meeting you. I am always happy to show people around our wonderful school. You will receive an information pack about applying for a place in Nottinghamshire schools. If you are applying for a place at Wood’s Foundation School you should also collect an additional pack from our school office. Children are admitted to the school using the admission criteria. Usually, half of the children who are admitted come from Woodborough, have a sibling or attend church, the rest of the children who join us do not meet these criteria. So please be reassured you have a good chance of securing a place. Please contact the office if you are interested.