



# Wood End School

Learning Together, Respecting Each Other

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## Herts County Council Survey re Childcare Options

HCC would like your feedback on the childcare options available to you and your family. If you're a parent or carer of a child between the ages of 0-14 years then we would like to hear from you.

Please may we ask you to complete the following survey by the Friday 30th November 2018:

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/JHFVI/>

Your responses will be incorporated into this year's childcare sufficiency report that the council is required to produce on an annual basis. The report helps us to:

- establish the sufficiency of places across Hertfordshire
- support the sustainability of places
- support the development of places where needed.

## Year 6 Applications for Secondary School

The window for applications for secondary school closes on **31st October**. The application process for the Katherine Warington School is separate to the 4 preferences permissible by HCC this year. The Katherine Warington application is an additional choice for parents. Application forms can be completed by visiting [www.kwschool.co.uk/admissions](http://www.kwschool.co.uk/admissions) and submitted to HCC. On national offer day on March 1st 2019, places permitting, parents can decide to accept one of the preferences or Katherine Warington.



**English and Maths books home today.**

**ent back in time to the Iron Age and met the chief and her tribe. They taught us**

## Meet the Team



**Name: Mrs Karen Bailey**

Title/Position: Class Teacher

### What does your role involve?

My role involves teaching Pine class, Year 3, where I enjoy finding and researching new ideas to share and teach the class. I am responsible for ensuring all the children make progress and become independent learners.

I also share subject leadership for computing, ensuring that the computing curriculum is being taught and integrated across the school. We equip the children for life in a digital age and to have an understanding of how to stay safe online.

### How did you get into this role?

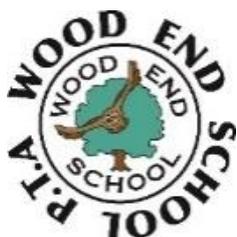
I have always wanted to be a teacher – I was inspired by a teacher at Junior School, her name was Mrs Eatherden. We all remembered how to spell it as when you separated it was Mrs Eat Her Den. After I completed my A-levels I went to teacher training college where I earned a Bachelor of Education. I relocated to Hertfordshire with friends from college, met my husband and many years later here I am!

### What do you enjoy about it?

My favourite part of the job is being with the children, getting to know their personalities and finding out what makes them tick. I also love those light bulb moments where you see what you have been teaching click into place.

### What might surprise people about your role?

When I was a newly qualified teacher I was given the opportunity to learn to sail. This led to leading sailing trips to Barton Turf in the Norfolk Broads. A fantastic experience sleeping under canvas and sailing for 6 days with only a couple of capsizes!



### PTA News



### Parent's Disco

We look forward to welcoming everyone who has bought tickets to the Parents' Disco this Saturday 13th October from 8pm. We have the amazing Akiva playing for the first half of the evening followed by a DJ. Please ask the person who bought tickets on your behalf if you haven't received further details.



### Children's Halloween Themed Disco

Children's (non-scary!) Halloween Themed Disco Friday 19th October - Infants 3.30 to 4.30, Juniors 5.00 to 6.00.

Parents with children in Reception to Year 2 should have received an email this week from their Class Rep with more information on the Infant Disco next Friday (19th October), and parents with children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 an email for the Junior Disco. Please ask if you don't have this email. NB You must have bought a ticket on the School Gateway for your child to attend. Children can wear disco or Halloween clothes if they wish - but please do consider Infants will need to change themselves at school (so nothing too tricky!), plus it is a "disco" so something they can move about in and not get too hot. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help, please see an email sent by woodendptadisco@gmail.com for more information.

PTA Key News and Dates: <http://www.woodend.herts.sch.uk/home-1/about/news>

Email: PTA@woodend.herts.sch.uk



### Rotary Shoeboxes

A further supply of boxes have been delivered to school today. The Year 6 children will be back on the middle playground next week. Boxes are £2—if you pay for the box up front, no need to put another £2 on the box itself.

Deadline for return is **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November** (after half term). For up-to-date information and pictures of boxes being delivered, visit the Rotary website at

[www.rotaryshoobox.org](http://www.rotaryshoobox.org)

[www.facebook.com/rotaryshooboxscheme](https://www.facebook.com/rotaryshooboxscheme)

## Community



### **Harpenden Rugby Club Fireworks Extravaganza—Sunday 4th November The Clubhouse Redbourn Lane, AL5 2BA. Gates open at 4pm, display starts at 6pm**

**Tickets sold at the school office.** £8 Adult Ticket/£5 Child Ticket (up to 16yrs)/£25 Family Ticket (2 adults and up to 4 children to 16yrs). Fireworks, bonfire, funfair, great food and bar. [www.hrfc.com](http://www.hrfc.com). Parking is limited at the club, please take the courtesy bus from Leyton Green bus stop, Harpenden.

**All sales made via the school will mean that 50% of the ticket price will be given as CASH BACK to the school!**

**Poster attached.**

### **Harpenden Town Council Christmas Poster Competition**

Based around the theme 'A Celebration of Christmas' – Closing date Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018.

See poster attached for more details.

### **Links to Recent Events on the School Website:**

[Year 3 Visit to Celtic Harmony Camp](#)

[Results Girl's Football League](#) – 11<sup>th</sup> October

[Reception Phonics Workshop Presentation – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October](#)

[Maths Workshop KS1 Presentation](#) – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October