



Woodland Grange Primary NEWSLETTER November 2018

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Winter is here!

It's hard to believe that we are now over halfway through the autumn term. Christmas is around the corner and the weather has certainly started to change!

It has been another fantastic term at Woodland Grange. The children are now settled into their new classes and the work that is being produced combined with the progress that they are making is proof of the wonderful teaching and inspiring curriculum that we have at this school. We feel proud of every member of our 'school family' which of course includes parents and carers too! We enjoy the opportunity to work in partnership with all our parents knowing that you can support your children's journey through Woodland Grange. Parent's evening is the perfect time to take on those important messages. Listen to the good advice from staff, celebrate the successes and support us to act on those areas for development.



Anti bullying week & Odd Socks Day

We will be supporting National Anti Bullying week this year (organised by the Anti Bullying Alliance) during the week beginning 12th November. This year's theme is '**Choose Respect**' and we will be working in classrooms to cover a range of aspects connected to this topic.

We would like all children to support **Odd Socks Day** on **Monday 12th November**. To celebrate the fact that we are all different and all equal we want everyone to come to school wearing a pair of odd socks.

Christmas performance dates:

We know that it can be tricky to book time off work in the run up to Christmas. Don't forget that key dates go onto the website calendar too...

FS Nativity: Tuesday 4th December

KS1 at school: Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th December

KS2 (year 3 & 6) in St Peter's Church, Oadby: Friday 14th December

Years 4 & 5 are in the process of organising a trip to watch a local High School Christmas performance.



FoWG Round up

It's been another fantastic start to the year for our parent's association! Our Hallowe'en Spooktacular discos were a scary success (thank you to all parents who volunteered to help).

Samosa Friday is back again. Samosas will be on sale in the outdoor classroom on Friday (**9/11 & 16/11**). Later in November FoWG will be holding their annual Diwali event. On Sunday **25/11** there will be food and drink, dancing and lots of fun to be had!

Finally, towards the end of term we will have our Festive FoWG event. On Friday **14/12** we will gather in the hall to enjoy some festive snacks, singing and Christmas crafts.

Don't forget that FoWG only exists because of the dedication and hard work of our parent volunteers. They need help and support to organise these events. If you can help or would like to get involved then contact the school office.



Be Smart, Be Bikesmart!

National Road Safety Week is happening again! This year's theme is 'Bikesmart' and we will be discussing different aspects of road safety in school during the week beginning 19th November.

We will be supported in school by the '**Choose how you move**' team from Leicestershire County Council. Their role is to promote sustainable travel in the county and includes:

- Leaving the car at home and walking or riding to school
- Using public transport for local school trips
- Cycle training for parents

Oadby Remembers 2018

To commemorate a hundred years since the end of the **First World War (1914-1918)** on **Saturday November 10th** there will be a special exhibition for local men who fought and died in the Great War. Our year 3 pupils have created two of the soldiers that will be displayed in St Peter's Centre (there are 83 soldiers in total). This important event will coincide with the 'Oadby Lights switch on' and run from 10.30am until 3.30pm.

On **Sunday 11th November** the exhibition will also run from 11.30am to 4.30pm to coincide with the service of remembrance in St Peter's Church which begins at 10.00am.

It would be great for our families to visit this special exhibition in St Peter's hall (opposite the church) and remember those who have fought & died for their country in the Great War.

Keep on running...



Woodland Grange has had tremendous success in the **Oadby & Wigston Schools Cross Country League!** A record number of pupils ran for the school (well over 60 children in total) and we have had some brilliant individual performances as well as team success. We had a 2nd & 3rd place in the year 4 boys' competition and were crowned overall year 4 boys' champions too! Well done to all those children who came along and tried their best in each of the 3 races!

NSPCC

A HUGE thank you from everyone at school for your amazing fundraising efforts this term. Through our sponsored event for the NSPCC. The children had a lot of fun whilst they completed their physical challenge and we raised an incredible **£2598.56!** All the money will go to help many children and young people across the country. The NSPCC also supported our pupils with key stage assemblies and workshops for children in year 5 & 6.

Children in Need 2018

On **Friday 16th November** it will be Children in Need 2018. We always support this annual fundraiser, however this year as we have already raised money for the NSPCC we are simply asking children to come to school on that day in anything 'spotty' and to bring in a £1 donation for the charity. The Owl's Hoot are also holding a cake and biscuit sale in the build up to the actual day.

OADBY REMEMBERS
1914-1918

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND IN OADBY

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
Sunday 11 November 10am
St Peter's Parish Church, Wigston Road
followed by the laying of wreaths at the Oadby War Memorial

83 MEN REMEMBERED EXHIBITION
Saturday 10 November 10.30am to 3.30pm
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St Peter's Centre, Wigston Road

A selection of silhouettes created by the Oadby community will be displayed at venues around Oadby from 12 November. For further details please see www.oadbyremembers.org.uk or Oadby-Remembering the Past Facebook page

BEACON LIGHTING
Sunday 11 November 6.50pm
Brocks Hill Country Park

Please see www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk/pages/remembering_ww1 for further details

RINGING REMEMBERS
St Peter's Church Bells will be rung at various times throughout the weekend
Please see www.oadbyrc.org.uk/1_8_ringing-remembers.html for further details

Names please!

Just a reminder to all parents to clearly name everything that comes into school. Our lost property box is creaking with the weight of unclaimed, unnamed items. Use iron or sew on labels and write using permanent or laundry marker pens to avoid names being washed off over time. We want to make a commitment to reduce the amount of lost property at school. We can only do this with your help, thank you!

Dates for your diary:

- **9 & 16/11** Samosa Friday
- **25/11** FoWG Diwali event
- **30/11** Decorations day
- **4/12** FS Nativity
- **12 & 13/12** KS1 Christmas show
- **14/12** Year 3 & 6 Christmas performance (St Peter & St Paul's Church, Oadby)
- **14/12** Festive FoWG
- **21/12** End of term

All dates on the school website calendar. Visit www.woodlandwideweb.org.uk and click on the calendar on the homepage...