



# WOOLSTON INFANT SCHOOL

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## November

- 3<sup>rd</sup> SHARE
- 6<sup>th</sup> Year 1 and 2 Maths workshop 2.30pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> New parents open evening (Sept 2024 intake)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Year R phonic drop-in session 9am
- 15<sup>th</sup> MHST Welcome Meeting 9am
- 16<sup>th</sup> Year 1 phonic drop-in session 9am
- 17<sup>th</sup> SHARE
- 20<sup>th</sup> Flu immunisations
- 24<sup>th</sup> Dance Mats and Non-Uniform Day
- 29<sup>th</sup> Governor's meeting
- 30<sup>th</sup> Y1 showcase afternoon to parents 2.15pm

## December

- 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Fayre
- 5<sup>th</sup> Year R nativity in the hall 1.30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Year R nativity in the hall 9.30am
- 11<sup>th</sup> Year 1 and 2 Christmas @ Church 1.30pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Year 1 and 2 Christmas @ Church 9.30am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch



If you have changed any of your contact details, particularly your phone numbers, please make sure that the office have your up to date information so that we can contact you should your child be unwell.



Stars of the Week



Week beg. 16<sup>th</sup> October

CEDAR	Coby
WILLOW	Chester
OAK	Arwen
MAPLE	Jessie
POPLAR	Dylan
SYCAMORE	Kit

After School Club Nathan

I hope you all had a nice half term break? It was great to welcome all the children back to school this week, with lots of excited children...and parents!

The children all settled in quickly and were quickly enthused with some 'hook' days around their new learning. Year 2 are starting to learn all about the Great Fire of London, while Year 1 were focusing on Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. Year R were discussing all about themselves and their families. I am sure they will be keen to share all their learning with you over the coming weeks.

**Simon Arthur**  
Headteacher

**School starts at 8.35am. The gates to the school will be closed at 8.50am.**

**School finishes at 3.05pm**

**Please be at school on time.**

**Mental Health Schools Team (MHST)**  
**Welcome Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> November 9am**

Our Education Mental Health Practitioner will be holding an introductory event where she will tell you about herself, her role and the service. This will also be a great opportunity for anyone to come and ask questions, seek advice and share ideas. She is really looking forward to working here and hopes to meet as many of you as possible.



We have recently purchased a system to help support pupils with learning number facts and become fluent with these. It has been great to see so many children access this learning platform, it really will help with children becoming fluent with their number facts.

### Phonics drop ins

Following on from the parent workshops that Miss Jenkins has been running, we would like to invite parents to come and watch a phonics lesson in their child's class. These will be:

**Year R: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am**

**Year 1: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am**

Unfortunately, we must ask that **NO** siblings are brought to these sessions as they are a school lesson. Please allow the children to carry on with their lesson as normal and stand back and watch how well they are learning.

For more information on Little Wandle, head to the parent section of their website:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

### Universal Free School Meals

All the children in our school are entitled to a hot lunch every day, free of charge! Please encourage your child to have a hot meal every day.



### Maths workshop



Mrs Mason will be running a maths workshop for all parents in Year 1 and Year 2. This will take place at 2.30pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November in the hall. Please come along and see how maths is taught and how you can support your child at home.

### REMINDER

If someone else is collecting your child, please let your child's teacher know and complete a red slip. If you are running late, please let the office know. *After school club finishes at 5.45pm, please ensure you collect your child promptly as late charges may apply.*

### ATTENDANCE

Week Beginning 16<sup>th</sup> October



Cedar	99%
Oak	97.9%
Poplar	97.5%
Sycamore	96.1%
Maple	94.7%
Willow	91.8%

Whole School 96.2%

Well done Cedar Class!

Please remember that you must inform us if your child is unwell and is unable to attend school. Please contact us before 9.20 a.m. You can phone or email us at [info@woolstoninfantschool.co.uk](mailto:info@woolstoninfantschool.co.uk)

## **Year R School Places**

Do you have a child due to start school  
in September 2024!

We're holding an  
**OPEN EVENING**

for

Prospective Year R 2024 parents  
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**  
at 5pm.

More information about applying for a  
Year R school place can be found at

[www.southampton.gov.uk](http://www.southampton.gov.uk)

Or

[www.woolstoninfantschool.co.uk](http://www.woolstoninfantschool.co.uk)

## **Clubs**

If your child is attending an afterschool club, these will start next week (w/b 6<sup>th</sup> November).

Clubs will finish at 4pm. Please wait outside the main office, where a member of staff will bring your child out to you. Please be aware, all other gates to the school will be locked.



### **Children's Achievements Outside of School**

Well done to Katie who has passed her grading at Taekwondo to earn her yellow belt with green stripe.

Congratulations to Ellis who won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the Mayfield Nurseries Halloween Fancy Dress Competition! His photo is in the Daily Echo today!



## **Bonfire Night**

Bonfire night is celebrated on the 5<sup>th</sup> November. I'm sure many of you will be out watching firework displays and we hope you have a wonderful time. We have spoken to the children about staying safe on Bonfire night and the reason why we celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> November. You can find out more by watching this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I9JW-RE4-ZE>

### **Bonfire Lunch Menu**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November there will be a special Bonfire Lunch Menu

Blue – Hot Dog  
Yellow – Veggie Hot Dog  
Green – Jacket Potato



The Year R photo will be in The Daily Echo on the 17<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Needed!**

**If you have any spare boys and girl's pants and socks please can you bring to the office.**

**Thank you!**

### **Christmas Cards**

Your child will have brought home their Christmas Card order form yesterday.

Please follow the instructions on the card to order online. **The closing date is Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.**

