

" Growing together, learning forever"

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WOODSTONE NEWS

8th November 2023

**WE BREAK FOR CHRISTMAS ON FRIDAY 22nd DECEMBER at 3:15pm
and return to school on MONDAY 8th JANUARY**

REMEMBRANCE

This year you will have once again noticed our 'Woodstone Remembers' banner

by the school gate and the 'Lest We Forget' flag flying proudly from our flagpole.



The children, this year will once again be laying a couple of wreaths - the first at the war memorial at Ravenstone Church and the second at our own memorial oak tree (near the main gate) on

Monday 13th November at 11 o'clock. Mrs Capstack will be playing The Last Post and the Reveille on her cornet.

Photographs will follow in the December newsletter.

Attendance for the first half of the autumn term

Reception	97.1%	Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	97.6%	Year 3	95.6%
Year 4	96%	Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	97.1%	Overall:	96.8%

Well done to Year 2 and Year 5 for your amazing attendance last half term.

Well done also to Reception and Year 6 for achieving over 97%

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

This year anti bullying week will run from 13th - 17th November 2023. The theme for the week is 'Make A Noise About Bullying'.



To mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week children and staff will be wearing **odd socks on Monday 13th November** which is supported by CBBC and CBeebies with star Andy Day and his band, Andy and the Odd Socks!

There's a serious message behind the fun: let's pull on odd socks to show we're ALL unique and different, and let's be kind to each other and respect each other's individuality.



CHILDREN IN NEED

FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER



This year our theme is 'Be Spotacular'. For a small donation (we are asking for 50p or £1 per child) children can come to school in their own clothes (preferably something spotty!)

We will also be having a **Bring & Buy Sale** after school on Friday 24th November (see page 5 for more details)

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CUT YOUR CARBON

Our school Eco Team this week launched a whole school challenge 'Cut Your Carbon Month'. There are 9 challenges to undertake during the month of November and we ask that children return their challenge sheet either when completed or at the end of November.

Our Green Team will collate all the results and enter the data on the Eco Schools website. They will also publish the results in our next newsletter and on our pupil TV and website.

Please support our children in their challenge, we have attached an extra ideas/checklist sheet to this email.

You can watch an introduction film, featuring Megan McCubbin with this link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgQhaO2wYvw>

HOW MUCH IS THAT DOGGY IN THE WINDOW.....



It was great this week to welcome Sarah from the Dog's Trust. She led a whole school assembly and workshops in four of our classes talking about how to behave around dogs, how to care for dogs and how clever and helpful they are.

She also mentioned the good work of the charity.

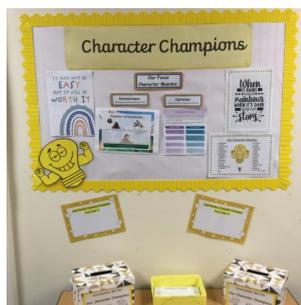


A TRIP BACK IN TIME

Our Year 2 children enjoyed a workshop which was led by Leicestershire Library Services. The children got the chance to see, handle and play with old toys as part of their History curriculum.

A couple of weeks ago we relaunched our Character Muscles for learning.

The focus last month was perseverance and optimism. The children enjoyed nominating their classmates who had demonstrated these two qualities and the October winners were Freddie (Y2) and April (Y5).



Golden Book Assemblies



Our season of Golden Book assemblies continues...here are the dates of the upcoming assemblies.

Year 3 - Friday 10th November

Year 2 - Friday 17th November

Year 1 - Friday 24th November

Rec. - Friday 1st December

All assemblies start at 9:05am and last approximately 40 minutes

CROSS COUNTRY DATES

Please note the dates for this year's cross-country events. The ones in red are organised by the Unity Learning Partnership and start at 10:30am. The ones in black are organised by North West Leicestershire School Sports Partnership and these start at 10am.

Saturday 11th November - Sir John Moore Primary DE12 7AH (10am)

Saturday 20th January - Hugglescote Primary - LE67 2HA (10am)

Saturday 27th January - Woodstone (10:30am)

Saturday 10th February - Measham C of E - DE12 7LG (10am)

Saturday 9th March (10:30am) - Snarestone Primary School (DE12 7DB)

Saturday 13th April (10:30am) - LE67 8HU - Griffydam Primary School

CHRISTMAS DATES



SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER - Christmas Fayre - come along and buy a couple of gifts, play some games and enjoy some crafts - you may even see Santa! 12noon - 3pm

TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER – Reception & Y1 Nativity - 2pm and 5:30pm

WEDNESDAY 13th DECEMBER – Yrs 2, 3, 4 Christmas Play – 2pm and 6pm

MONDAY 18th DECEMBER – Christmas Dinner

MONDAY 18th DECEMBER – Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert – Christ Church, Coalville 6pm (school uniform)

TUESDAY 19th DECEMBER – Pantomime – Derby Theatre – Cinderella (school uniform required)

THURSDAY 21st DECEMBER – Christmas Party Day (non-uniform)

FRIDAY 22nd DECEMBER – Break up and non-uniform/bring a toy day



MONDAY 8th JANUARY – Return to school 8:45 - 8:55am

Christmas toy appeal

Could you donate a gift to a child this Christmas?

How to get involved:

- ✓ Donate a gift to us to match with a child who may otherwise go without this Christmas.
- ✓ Create a fundraiser to make your donation to our appeal e.g. a Christmas jumper day at work/school.
- ✓ Spread the word, so others can join in too!

Donation point:

The Marlene Reid Centre, 85 Belvoir Road, Coalville,
Leicestershire, LE67 3PH

Donations are accepted Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm, and weekends by prior arrangement. All toy donations must be brand new, in original packaging suitable for 0 - 18 years.

Donation deadline: 11th December 2023

FOR MORE INFO VISIT
WWW.MRC.UK.NET/TOYAPPEAL



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DATES FOR THE FUTURE...



We are really excited to give you a few dates to look forward to in the new year...

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 9th February (adults only) - Teams of up to 6 (more details to follow straight after Christmas)

CHOCOLATE BINGO - Friday 15th March (6pm)

SUMMER FAYRE - Friday 28th June (3:15pm)

EASY FUNDRAISING

Popular	Visited	
 Amazon Up to 1.50% donation	 eBay Up to 0.50% donation	 JUST EAT Up to 2.00% donation
 John Lewis & Partner... Up to 1.00% donation	 Viking Up to 10.00% donation...	 Marks and Spencer Up to 3.00% donation
 Etsy Up to 0.50% donation	 Waitrose & Partners Up to £4.00 donation	 Screwfix Up to 0.50% donation
 Sports Direct Up to 2.50% donation	 H&M Up to 3.00% donation	 Booking.com Up to 4.00% donation

PLEASE LOG ONTO EASY FUNDRAISING TO REGISTER—this will generate much needed funds for Woodstone

Brands like Amazon, Ebay, John Lewis, Tesco and Apple pay a % of what you spend with them as a donation, for example if you spend £150 on a hotel via booking.com, they will donate 3% which is £4.50 for us. Some retailers pay a flat amount, for example if you buy car insurance with confused.com via easyfundraising, they will donate a flat £15 regardless of the cost of the policy. They work with over 7000 brands so it's well worth having a look! Register at: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

BRING & BUY SALE

The School Council have decided to organise a Bring and Buy Sale to help raise money for this year's Children in Need. The sale will take place in the school hall on FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER.

We would like donations of toys, books, teddies, jigsaws in good condition etc please and that we can sell on the Friday. If you could bring them into school on Monday 20th so we can get everything priced up, that would be fantastic.

Hopefully, this is a great opportunity to have a bit of a clear out before the new toys arrive at Christmas!



UK Health
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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.