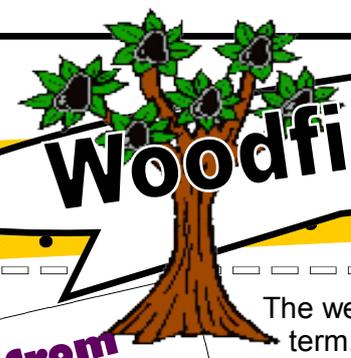




Woodfield Word



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Issue 2

Friday 3rd October
2014

A note from the Headteacher...

The weeks have flown by and we are now well-embedded into the autumn term. It is fabulous to see that our children are still smiling and that they have settled into the new academic year so well. It has also been a privilege to observe lessons across the academy and share the pride in the learning that is taking place across all years. It will be our pleasure to share this with new and potential pupils, parents and carers when we welcome them warmly to our **Open Evening** on Monday October 6th; also with current parents and carers at our **Parents' Meetings** on Monday 20th (evening) and Friday 24th October (afternoon).

Work begun in the summer has now been completed and we can now enjoy improved security, wireless technology and play facilities here at Woodfield and we will continue to develop and improve the environment in which we work, learn and play. I am also pleased to report that, as you can read below, we look forward to welcoming a new School Crossing Patrol in November. This is ideal, as I am surely not the only person to notice the darker mornings and evenings! Enjoy the sunshine while it lasts and we look forward to welcoming prospective Woodfield pupils on Monday evening.

Mr Bond

Attendance

Attendance is very important to ensure pupils reach their full potential and is something that Woodfield monitor very closely.

Attendance for the week 22/9/14 - 26/9/14

Year 5 - 97.5% Year 6 - 95.7%

Year 7 - 94.1% Year 8 - 94.2%

Whole School - 95.5%

Whole School Target - 94.8%

Congratulations to 5CC who achieved 99.6%, the highest attendance this week.

5MP had the best attendance for the week 15-19/9/14.

Woodfield Academy school ties are now back in stock at Clive Mark and Orchard Clothing.



"Pupils behave well and feel very safe."
"A positive climate that encourages good learning."
"Quality of teaching is good with many examples of outstanding practice."
(OFSTED 2013)

A Learning Community: *helping everyone reach their potential*

WOODFIELD ACADEMY

OPEN EVENING

Monday 6th October

5.00 pm—7.00 pm

An opportunity to view our wonderful facilities, meet our caring staff and share in our pupils' learning.

Unable to attend this evening? Please call to arrange a tour of the school at a different time.

Headteacher: Mr S Bond
E-mail: admin@woodfield.worcs.sch.uk
Website: www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk

Tel: 01527 527081
Studley Road
B98 7HH

School Crossing Patrol

We are pleased to announce that the Road Safety Team has successfully recruited a new School Crossing Patrol for Woodfield Academy.

Her name is Mrs Palmer and she will commence duty on the afternoon of Tuesday 4th November.

We look forward to welcoming her.

Sickness

There is a sickness bug circulating around school at the moment.

If your child is sick please ensure they are not sent into school for **48 HOURS** following the last bout of sickness. This will help to stop the virus from spreading to other pupils and members of staff in school.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Important Dates

23rd October	End of Half Term
24th October	TED
3rd November	Return to School
19th December	End of Term



High School Applications

All Year 8 pupils have been given their high school selection information from Worcestershire County Council.

The closing date for all requests for a high school place next September is 31st October.

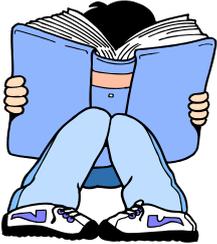
Places can be selected via post or email direct to County.

If anyone has any queries please do not hesitate to contact Miss Anslow.

English Department News...

All children should have arrived home with a CGP text which will form the basis of their English homework activities this year. Each teacher will set homework from the text dependant on what children are covering in class, or based on a skill that the text will support. The books are a significant investment, and have been given to the children because of their educational value. If they are lost, families will be asked to meet some or part of the cost to replace them.

STAR Reading Tests



All children have now completed their STAR Reading tests and been given their ZPD - the range within which they should be selecting books to read. Children can visit the library at lunch and after school to complete their quizzes on the books they are choosing to read and **SHOULD NOT WAIT FOR THEIR LESSON TIME SLOT IF THEY ARE READY TO QUIZ!**

'Reading millionaires' from last year were rewarded in assembly last week and we'd love to reward many more as the year goes on.

Parents' Evenings

Letters will soon be sent home for our upcoming parents' evenings.

These will be held on:

Monday 20th October - 4pm until 7pm

And

Friday 24th October (TED) - 1pm until 4pm



As a school we place a high emphasis on pupils reading for enjoyment. As such, every year we take part in a scheme organised by Booktrust.

Although financial sponsorship has diminished, we have been fortunate once again to offer every Year 7 pupil a free book of their choice from an exciting list of selected titles suitable for their age and reading abilities. Enjoy!

To find out more about this scheme please visit

<http://www.bookbuzz.org.uk/>

Sports News

New PE Kits

Thank you for your patience with our change to new PE kits, the pupils look superb. I understand there are still a few outstanding items but please be assured they haven't been forgotten about. As outlined on the order form, we do not keep any of the kit 'in stock', and have to order items from our supplier.

Polite reminder - please can all pupils ensure that they have their PE kit for all lessons of PE, regardless of whether they are taking part practically in the lesson or not. Pupils can participate in a variety of roles whilst injured but need to be wearing appropriate clothing. Inclement weather is also another reason for the need for a change of clothing.

Sponsor Day

Woodfield Academy will be holding a Sponsor Day on Thursday 23rd October.

Letters and sponsor forms will be sent home shortly.

Food Collections

On Friday 10th October, Woodfield Academy will be collecting food items in aid of local charities, Redditch Food Bank and The Salvation Army.

All donations of tins, packets and non-perishable food items will be gratefully received.

Pupils are permitted to wear non-uniform in return for an item of food being donated to the charities.



School Photographs

If you wish to purchase your child's school photograph, please ensure all orders and money are sent to the school office by **Tuesday 7th October**. Thank you.