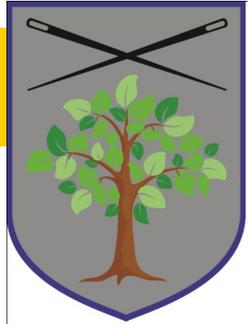




Special Edition Newsletter



**WOODFIELD
ACADEMY**

Hi

**A note from
the Heads'...**

L Guest

K Harvey

Way back in the autumn term we promised to keep you all updated on a number of projects and initiatives we have been working on. So as we come to the end of our second term as Acting Heads, we wanted to give you an update.

ICT Provision

The world we live in is surrounded and led by technology and after many months of discussions and research, we are happy to say that during the Easter holiday, we will be taking delivery of brand new, superfast teaching computers to lead learning in the classroom, new pupil computers and a brand new server. All this will enhance learning and engagement. We will also be taking delivery of 30 new iPads!

(We would like to say a massive thank you to our 'tech team' Mr Schofield and Mr Evans, as they will be giving up their Easter holiday to install everything ready for our return. We also need to say thank you to Mr Schofield for all his hard work with negotiations, securing us the best deals possible).

Adventure and Exercise Area

Last summer, the Government announced that schools needed to boost health and physical engagement. Well thanks to our fantastic PE team, there is very little we need to do in terms of lessons and extra-curricular activities.

The advantage our KS2 pupils have over pupils of the same age in primary schools, is not only the resources and facilities but also the specialist teaching. So we have been busy looking at what we can do. Over the next few months, we will be transforming the area of land just off the KS2 playground into an "adventure and exercise area." This will involve the building of play equipment, such as adventure trails and climbing frames as well as exercise machines similar to what you now see in public parks. This will be a 2 year project and thanks to the 'Friends of Woodfield' we are able to make it bigger and better than we had previously hoped. We will keep you posted of progress on our website.

Another initiative we are trying to launch as the summer arrives is 'Scootability.' Once all Health and Safety checks have been done, we hope to have a daily scootability activity at lunchtime, available to all pupils on a rota basis.

AFA

Mrs Athey has been working wonders with our pilot of the 'Achievement for All' project which involve 20 pupils. She has had regional and national accolade for her work, with pupils making amazing progress. Well done to all involved.

Extra Provision

We have always been very proud of the 'extras' we provide here at Woodfield for all pupils. Our able pupils have been involved in high school visits and other trips and we are in the process of widening our access to programmes to develop our SEN provision of specialist programmes like Lexion, Word Shark, Number Shark, Every Child Counts and Read Write Inc. All these help to develop basic skills needed for life.

Funded Trips

This year we have also funded a trip or visit for each year group, as we try to develop our learning out of the classroom and bringing learning to life. We hope that by funding some activities, parents can then fund another and between us, widen experiences.

As you can see, we have been busy in our 2 terms and look forward to seeing the completion and development of all our projects in the coming months.

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Ps. Look out for our newly cleaned building when we return – a spring clean of the outside of the building will have us looking all fresh for the summer!