



**WOODFIELD
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A note from the Headteacher...

Well, SATs week has finally come and gone and there is a sense of relief around the Academy. I need to state that it has been a pleasure observing the SATs run so smoothly and calmly this year. In particular, I am thankful to the large number of staff who have taken the time to praise the operation and our children, which has made me very proud. I am grateful to Mr Smith and Mrs Shore, who have organised and overseen SATs provision this year, but am aware that a huge team (in fact, most of the staff!) has pulled together to administer the tests and support the day-to-day schedule changes.

I think the final word of thanks has to go to our Year 6 children, who have performed admirably and have responded to guidance and instruction impeccably throughout the week. Your teachers have been extremely impressed with your cooperation and proud of your level-headed approach to the tests this week. The repeated requests to be able to continue booster lessons has puzzled them, however! Well done all and please do have a relaxing weekend!

S Bond

Attendance

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

Attendance for the week 01/05/17 - 05/05/17

Year 5 - 92.4% Year 6 - 93.4%

Year 7 - 93.6% Year 8 - 94.0%

Whole School - 93.3%

Whole School Target - 93.3%

Congratulations to 5IF who achieved 99.1% the highest attendance this week.

Important Dates



29th May-	Summer Half Term
5th June	
6th June	Back to School
7th June	French Trips Parents Meeting
16th June	Author Visit (Andy Cope)
19th June	Y7 Geography Trip to Umberslade Farm
23rd June	Summer Fayre
29th June	Sports Day
30th June-	French Trip
3rd July	
6th July	Green Leaf Trip to Weston-Super-Mare
18th July	Y8 Trip to Drayton Manor

'Spinner' Fidget Toys

Sorry everyone, but we are going to have to ban spinners from school as of Monday 15th May. Unfortunately, they are more of a 'complete distraction' than a fidget toy and seem to be the source of a lot of disruption in lessons, as well as arguments and conflict (and a lot of confiscation!). We request that spinners are left at home.



Our SEN and Nurture departments do issue fidget toys to pupils who require them and any items that have been **issued by staff** for genuine reasons will (obviously) continue to be allowed!

French Trip

Our trip to France is fast approaching, a reminder that there will be a meeting for Parents/Carers on Thursday 7th June at 6pm in the DT block. Letters with the final details have been sent home but this is an opportunity for you to meet the members of staff going and ask any final questions. Please ensure all medical and consent forms have been signed and handed in to Miss Whiteside. Thank you.

Lifecycles Project

We have now come to the end of our lifecycles projects with Year 5. The caterpillars became butterflies and have been released and our tadpoles have become tiny frogs and will soon be released to a local pond to continue to grow and help increase the local frog population. As you know frogs worldwide are declining and becoming a threatened species so the children at Woodfield have hopefully helped to change this a little for our local environment. We now eagerly await our first egg to be laid by the Woodfield chickens.



Drinks Bottles

Could I ask that parents/carers ensure that their child has a drinks bottle in school. We have several water coolers throughout the school that they can fill up from during the course of the day and now the weather is getting hotter it is important that the students stay hydrated. Please ensure though that the drinks bottles are no bigger than 8 inches / 20cm in height as they will not fit into the dispenser section of the water cooler.



Aspens App!

Welcome to the Aspens App!
Never Miss your Favourite Lunch

Want to know what's on the menu at school today, tomorrow or next week?

Well, we have developed the **Aspens App** which is ideal for both pupils and parents to check out what's on offer with just a couple of presses on your smartphone.

It's simple enough – just search for the app at the App Store or Google Play, install, add the unique PIN (**15647108**) relating to your particular school and you will be able to view the current menu and any offers available.

This will make it so much easier for planning and make sure those favourite meals aren't missed!

But that's not all...

Click directly to Aspens website to read more about the catering facilities and Aspens as a provider.

Ask any questions relating to our menus and the food on offer.

Ask questions regarding school meal payments and the potential for free school meals.

Provide feedback about the meals so that we are able to maintain the high standards that we continually strive for.

Find out more about Aspens Services, upcoming promotions, our approach and commitment to healthy eating, quality and the environment.

At Aspens we want to be able to communicate in the most effective way and make sure that the latest information about our school meals and current promotions reaches you when you need it. We would like parents and pupils alike to have access to the details about our food at their fingertips at any time.

Aspens Website

Each school has a unique page on our website too with a direct link to a pdf of the menu to be viewed and printed if desired. It also has the school's unique reference for downloading the Aspens App. Follow the link to our page from your school's website.

We appreciate your co-operation in this change and look forward to sharing our menus in a timely manner.

If you have any questions whatsoever on this, please do get in touch and we'll do all that we can to help.

[E: apps@aspens-services.com](mailto:apps@aspens-services.com)



EYES DOWN

COME AND JOIN WOODFILEDS BINGO EVENING

Friday 19th May at 6.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m

It promises to be a great evening here with many awesome prizes”!

Luxury hampers and giant hampers for full house prizes

Coffee and tea hamper

Sweet hamper

Relaxation hamper

Alcohol hamper

Final bingo game to the value of £75.00

Plus separate raffle for more great prizes



**TOP PRIZE OF A CHILDRENS BIKE,
DONATED BY HALFORDS IN REDDITCH.**

If you would like to attend, please complete and return this slip with payment of £5.00 per adult and £3.00 per child.

Child's Name _____
Class _____

No. of Adult Tickets _____
No. of Child Tickets _____

**Tickets cost
£5.00 per
adult / £3.00
per child to
include a
sausage and
chip supper.**