



A note from the Headteacher....

It has been a pleasure to watch the school thrive in this first half term. The pupils are really taking advantage of all the extra opportunities that Woodfield can offer in terms of trips, clubs, leadership and working with the local community. As a headteacher those moments of watching children excel in classrooms, their bond between friendships or just their general humour really gifts the school a lift. It can be too easy in all walks of life to look at the negative, mainly in the news or online. The bad review on tripadvisor, the negative comments about a local business, WhatsApp messages which do not tell the full story, etc. However, in Woodfield the pupils are really showing that they respond to #OneWoodfield and that by working together and looking after each other is the way to a happier more content experience.

We have a special atmosphere here and I would like to thank all pupils and parents for their ongoing support to keep Woodfield being a great place to be.

On behalf of the governors and all the staff have a safe and enjoyable half term.

Mr N Straw
Headteacher

Important Dates:

Nov 2023

6th – Back to school

13th – Flu Vaccinations

School Driveway

Parents/Carers are reminded that the school driveway is **not** to be used for drop-off or collection unless there is a medical reason, or it is an emergency.

Attendance



Parents/carers please ensure you report pupil absence via Study Bugs. There is a link on our website, or you can download the app. This needs to be done by 9:15am every day your child is off.

Please note that afternoon registration marks take time to write back to MCAS. Parents/carers are requested to please wait until 2:00pm, before calling the office to enquire about a missing pm mark.

Freddo Friday

(Week ending 20th October 2023)

AN AMAZING RESULT FOR 7DN
WITH 95.7% ATTENDANCE !!!

2ND PLACE	7HM	95.2%
3RD PLACE	5SS	95.0%





Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs from 8:00am – 8:45am every morning and is an opportunity for your child to have a hot drink and cereal or a bagel in a warm, safe environment with a member of staff always present. There are games and activities available; your child can receive help or advice with homework, or simply spend the time with friends before lessons begin.

Our Breakfast Club is FREE of charge to all pupils. Your child does not have to attend every day and you are welcome to select the days that suit you best.

If you are interested in your child joining our Breakfast Club, please contact the office.

Language Angels

The Language Angels interactive games and karaoke app is now live on BOTH the Google Play store and the Apple app store and is completely free and available to all pupils.

Username: la2023app

Password: la2023app



Well done ★

Faith in 7DN did really well in the British Dance Championships in Blackpool last week - she achieved 2nd in Slow and Pairs. Well done Faith!

Halloween 🦇

Once again our Debs and Grace dressed for the occasion 😊



Please support us by
following our Social
Media accounts:



Facebook: [/OneWoodfield](#)

Twitter: [@OneWoodfield](#)

Instagram: [OneWoodfield](#)

**Well Done to everyone who has completed
their Reading plus for the week!**

**In the last week, the best performing classes
in each key stage have been :**

5VP
Runners up 5CA

8TM
Runners up 7HM

Top 10 Students of the week!

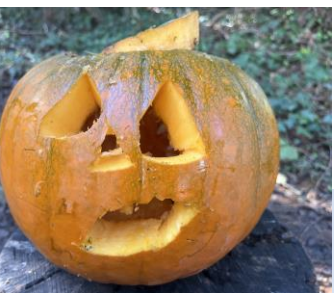
Louie 8IS
David 8TM
Joshua 8IS
Wojciech 5VP
Thane 5VP
Asvitha 7FD
Lilly Sky 8TM
Elle-Mae 8JB
Hafsa 5EC
Hughie 5VP





Forest School

Forest School this half term has been a hive of activity, creating magic wands, building conker launchers, carving pumpkins and making our own witches' broomsticks. It has been wonderful to see our pupils working together to problem-solve, work in teams and develop further their communication skills.





Attendance Matters



Whilst we all know that it is inevitable that children will have periods of illness during their time at school, it is essential that we look at ways to minimise this and the impact it has on achievement.

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential – only pupils who attend school regularly can take full advantage of the educational opportunities available to them.

If your child is suffering from a minor ailment such as a cold or a cough, please consider sending them to school. We will always send them home if we feel they are too unwell to be here.

[NHS Live-well - Is my child too ill for school?](#)

If your child is worried or anxious and not wanting to attend, please contact school via attendance@woodfield.bmat.co.uk so that Mr Hanks can assist and support.

A ***Request for Leave During Term Time*** application form must be completed ***PRIOR*** to any holiday. Forms are available from Reception.

What does your child's attendance % mean?

Yearly Attendance %	Total of days missed in a school year	Number of lessons missed in 1 school year	Number of lessons missed in 4 school years
100%	0	0	0
97%	6	30	120
95%	10	50	200
90%	20	100	400
80%	40	200	800
50%	100	500	2000

Good punctuality at school is just as essential for pupils to achieve their full potential as attendance. Being on time for school every day is an important step in forming good habits for later life. The impact of lateness soon adds up over a school year...





Friends of Woodfield is a friendly and informal voluntary body of parents who have children at the school and teachers who work there.

How Will Money Raised Be Spent?

Funds raised by Friends of Woodfield are intended to provide 'extras' not already provided by the school's main income - often 'fun things' that make learning more interesting and exciting.

Friends of Woodfield and the Headteacher decide how to spend PTA funds. Common items include; a minibus, computers and other technological items such as digital cameras, iPads, and other smaller purchases like books for the library or sports equipment.

Later in the year pupils, parents and staff will all be asked for their ideas on how to spend the money raised this year that will most benefit the pupils.

Our Mission:

The core aim of the Friends of Woodfield PTA is to support our pupils and the school through fundraising events which will provide additional resources to strengthen our pupil's education and achievements. The Friends of Woodfield PTA want to support a learning environment where pupils, parents and staff have space to interact, to engage and are at the core of our community.

If you are interested in being a part of our PTA or have any suggestions or ideas for fundraising, please email Ms. T Golding at goldingt@gov.bmat.co.uk





Free School Meals

You may be eligible for free school meals if your child attends a state school, and you must be receiving one or more of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, 1999
- Child Tax Credit, and your annual income is less than £16,190
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, and your annual household income is £7,400 per annum (£616 per month) or less after tax, and not including any benefits.

To apply, either complete a form available from Reception, or submit an online application via the WCF Citizen Portal:

https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en

TERM DATES: ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

TERM STARTS	Monday 4 th September 2023
	TED Monday 4 th September 2023 TED Tuesday 5 th September 2023
BACK TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 6 th September 2023
	TED Friday 6 th October 2023
HALF TERM	Monday 30 th October 2023 – Friday 3 rd November 2023
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 6 th November 2023
TERM ENDS	Friday 22 nd December 2023

Spring Term 2024

TERM STARTS	Monday 8 th January 2024
	TED Monday 8 th January 2024
BACK TO SCHOOL	Tuesday 9 th January 2024
HALF TERM	Monday 12 th February 2024 – Friday 16 th February 2024
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 19 th February 2024
TERM ENDS	Friday 22 nd March 2024

Summer Term 2024

TERM STARTS / BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 8 th April 2024
HALF TERM	Monday 27 th May 2024 – Friday 31 st May 2024
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 3 rd June 2024
TERM ENDS FOR PUPILS	Friday 19 th July 2024
	TED Monday 22 nd July 2024
TERM ENDS	Monday 22 nd July 2024

Other Dates

GOOD FRIDAY	Friday 29 th March 2024
EASTER MONDAY	Monday 1 st April 2024
MAY DAY	Monday 6 th May 2024
WHITSUN BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 27 th May 2024



Communication & Apps

Telephone: 01527 527081

Website: www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk

Main School Email: office@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Attendance: attendance@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Behavioural Issues: behaviour@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Anti-Bullying: bullying@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Teaching & Learning: teachingandlearning@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

The SENCO Staff: senco@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Book A Tour: tour@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Mental Health: iamworried@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Safeguarding: safeguarding@woodfield.bmat.co.uk

Head of Year 5	Mr M Hale
Head of Year 6	Miss A Chapman
Head of Year 7	Miss C Philpotts
Head of Year 8	Mr T Brook



All parents/carers are encouraged to download the MCAS app. With this app parents/carers can access all our communications, make payments and consent to school trips, update contact details and book onto clubs; as well as view pupil behavior, timetable, school reports etc.

If you aren't yet a MCAS user, please send an email to office@woodfield-academy.org.uk with the name of your child/ren and an email with registration information will be sent to you.



Studybugs is our preferred method of reporting pupil absence.

Daily School Equipment

Academy Planner

Blue handwriting pen

Coloured pencils

Ruler

Reading book

Pencil

Eraser

Sharpener

