



WOODCROFT ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

January has seemed a rather cold month, but we are heading into February with a half term holiday and a school disco not too far away!

Children's Mental Health Week

On Monday next week Mrs Hammersley will launch Children's Mental Health week with 'Know yourself, Grow yourself'. This week we have begun to learn about journaling which is reflected in today's homework for KS1 and KS2. We would love for you to support your child and look forward to the different journaling ideas children like and find beneficial over the week.

Travel Plan accreditation

Woodcroft Academy has been awarded Silver - Very Good Travel Plan accreditation, we are not far off gaining our Gold! Thank you to all our families who are now choosing to travel to school in a more active way!

WOW SPRING TOP TEN FEBRUARY CHALLENGE

Woodcroft was placed 3rd in the leaderboard for Staffordshire for the Autumn challenge! This time we want to be at the top! The Spring challenge will take place throughout February and all you have to do is increase your strides and travel actively to school as much as possible during February. To find out more take a look at this [video](#).

Dog Poo

We are receiving several reports about dog poo on the path and grass verge outside school, when this is reported to us, we do our best to ensure the path is clean. We know how frustrating this is to parents and the community.

Parking Respectively for Our Neighbours

Woodcroft Academy actively encourage families to walk to school or to park and stride, but we understand that at times this is not always possible. If you are parking on Rownall View or surrounding side streets please be respectful and do not block access to houses and driveways.

World Book Day

World Book day is on Thursday 6th March and we have chosen a theme of 'Vocabulary' this year. When you have chosen a book and character for World Book day we ask that a word (Vocabulary) is included in your child's costume as a sign, added to the outfit etc. The children will be off timetable and our vocabulary theme will link to poetry. A letter will be sent out shortly with more information.

Woodcroft's Great Book Swap

As part of World Book day and our sustainability pledge we will be hosting a book swap shop! From Monday 3rd - Friday 6th March we will facilitate a book swap. Children can bring a book, several books or one each day to deposit in the swap shop. At the end of the day the swap shop will be open for children and parents to take a book home that they would like to read and keep at home.

Year 1 Road Safety

UK CHILD CAR SEAT LAW - HEIGHT			
Baby	Baby and toddler	Toddler and child	Child
			
Newborn to 85cm (From 0 to 15-18 months old)	Newborn to 105cm (0 to 4 years old)	81cm to 105cm (15 months to 4 years old)	105cm to 135cm (4 to 12 years old)
AVIS www.avis.co.uk			

On Wednesday Year 1 pupils had an educational visit from the Fire Brigade to discuss road safety. They measured all the children to see how tall they needed to be before they did not need a car seat. Children must be over 135cm or aged 12 to travel

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without a car seat. The children showed how they would cross the road safely by looking Left, right and left again. At the end they looked at all the equipment on the fire truck!

Attendance & Lates

Well done to all the children who are 'here every day ready on time'. Please can we remind you the start of the day is at 8:45am and all children should be in school to be registered at **8:50am**. The playground gates close at 8:50am and any children arriving after this time are recorded as late.



BE WISE; BE WONDERFUL AWARD

Well done and congratulations to our 'Be wise; Be Wonderful' award winners, we are very proud of you!

Kian, Darcy, Lawrence, Charlie & Frazer

Star of the Week and Values Winners

Congratulations to our stars whose efforts and achievements have been celebrated in our Celebration Assembly week beginning 20th & 27th January.



Our Values winners are:
Nursery – Jacob & Bowe
Reception – Albie & Kiera
Year 1 – Harleigh-Rae & Minnie
Year 2 – Frankie & Hadley
Year 3 – Freya &
Year 4 – Oliver & Louis



Well done to you all – we are super proud of you!



Nursery – Jude & Matilda
Reception – Theo & Emilia
Year 1 – Emilia & Elliot
Year 2 – Albie & Marsie-Mae
Year 3 – Willow & Bowie
Year 4 – Seren & Axl

Dates for your Diary

7th February – Young Voices (tickets will be sent out to parents on Wednesday 5th)

12th February - Young voices parent assembly
(parents of children attending young voices can watch them perform to the rest of the school @9am)

12th February – PTFA Valentines disco (see poster below)

13th February – Last day of school for pupils before half term

14th February – INSET day – school closed for pupils.

26th February – BAGS 2 SCHOOL – please drop at the office by 9AM on this day.

6th March – World Book Day

14th March – KS2 Science Day at Churnet View

PTFA Valentines Disco – Wednesday 12th February 2025

Nursery children are welcome to attend with a supervising adult. If they attend after school club, the Adv4nce staff will accompany the children at the disco. Where possible please send the disco entry money into school in advance and only send tuck/spending money in on the day. It can be very difficult for staff to know what money is for what when it all comes in on the day of the disco and is not clearly labelled. Money at the disco is often lost and found when not secure in a purse or wallet. Please try to send spending money in a purse or wallet to make it easier for children to be independent.

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THERE WILL BE NO GAMES/FITNESS CLUB
ON WEDNESDAY 12TH FEB DUE TO THE
SCHOOL DISCO

Woodcroft Academy
PTFA VALENTINES DISCO

- ♥ Tuck stall
- ♥ Hot dogs
- ♥ Games
- ♥ Friendship bracelets

WEDNESDAY 12TH
FEBRUARY
£2.50
3:15 - 4:30

Please send ticket money
Into school in an envelope
with your child's name
and class written on it.

Tuck money can be sent
Into school with the children
on the day of the disco.
Thank you!

Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
3-9 FEB 2025

**KNOW YOURSELF.
GROW YOURSELF**

WE'RE TAKING PART IN
CHILDREN'S MENTAL
HEALTH WEEK

WHEN 3rd Feb - 9th Feb

WHERE Woodcroft

TO FIND OUT MORE, SPEAK TO Mrs Moores

childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk
#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek

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