



# WOODCROFT ACADEMY

'Be Wise. Be wonderful.'

Resilience \* Enjoyment \* Respect \* Excellence \* Responsible

## 28th November 2025 – Newsletter 6

### Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move into another exciting month, we are proud of the dedication and spirit our children and staff demonstrate each day. This week's newsletter offers a glimpse into the meaningful learning taking place and the exciting events ahead. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

### Medicine in School

In school we are seeing more children bringing medicine into school for us to administer during the day. Please ensure the medicine is given to the school office and a medicine form is completed. Do not leave medicine in your child's bag without telling an adult it is there.

### Year 3 and 4 Football

A big well done to all the children who played in the football match last week. Mrs Moores was very proud of your dedication and teamwork. You did Woodcroft proud with a thrilling result of 4-4. Thank you to Cicley Horton for the invite and all the parents for bringing the children along.



### Staffing Changes

There was a letter sent out from Mrs Hammersley and Miss Wright on Wednesday informing parents of upcoming staffing changes from January 2026. Please see the letter for further information. As the letter outlines, a revised staffing structure will be sent out once our recruitment process is complete.

Principal: Miss C Wright • Wallbridge Drive, Leek, Staffordshire, ST13 8JG  
T: 01538 714796 • E: [admin@woodcroft.smat.org](mailto:admin@woodcroft.smat.org)



Woodcroft Academy is operated by St. Bart's Multi-Academy Trust, which is a charitable company limited by guarantee and registered in England and Wales, Company no. 8735454.

Registered office is at Sussex Place, Longton, Stoke-On-Trent ST3 4TP

### Sainsburys Carol Singers

Key Stage 2 children will be carol singing at Sainsbury's on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. Children will walk from school to Sainsburys and will sing some Christmas songs and we will have our donation bucket at the ready! Children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers and accessories for this occasion. Please share with family and friends so our children have familiar faces to sing to!

### PTFA Wreath Making

Our wreath-making session was a great success! Children, families, and staff came together to create beautiful wreaths filled with colour, personality, and creativity. The event was full of teamwork, smiles, and festive energy. Thank you to everyone who helped to organise the event and to those who joined us and helped make the evening so special! The event raised over £400 for the PTFA which will go directly to enhancing



the children's experiences.

### PTFA Bags to School – 19<sup>th</sup> November

We are happy to share that our **Bags to School** event also raised £45 thanks to the generosity of our families.

Thank you for your continued support!

### Christmas Plays

Our Christmas play rehearsals are underway, and the children are doing wonderfully! To help them feel confident, please help your child practice their lines each evening. We also ask that all costumes be sent into school by 8<sup>th</sup> December ready for the PTFA to take their photos. Please label each item with your child's





# WOODCROFT ACADEMY

'Be Wise. Be wonderful.'

Resilience \* Enjoyment \* Respect \* Excellence \* Responsible

name. Thank you for helping make our performance special!

Please see dates below and tickets can be ordered via school cloud. If you have any questions please contact the school office

EYFS – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December AM

EYFS – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December PM

KS1 – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December PM

KS1 – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December AM

## Christmas Theatre & EYFS Christmas Trips

Following an email sent out this week, can we please remind parents to give consent for the trip and make payment via Parent Pay. We would like to advise that the trips are not optional, and all children are required to attend. We always ensure that our trips support and enhance the curriculum for the children. Please see previous letters sent regarding details for the trips and if you have any questions, please contact the office.

## Lunch Payment Reminder

A reminder to please pay for lunches in advance, any debts above £15.00 will mean that your child will need to bring a packed lunch until the debt is cleared.

## School Attendance Target

At our school, we are committed to ensuring that every child has the best possible learning opportunities, and excellent attendance plays a key role in this. While we strive for 100% attendance, we understand that occasional illness or exceptional circumstances may mean this isn't always possible. For this reason, we set a realistic target of at least 97% attendance for all pupils. Reaching this goal helps children make the most of their education, stay on track with their learning, and develop positive habits for the future.

Number of days we have achieved 100% this academic year	11
---	----

Class	Week Beg 10/11/25 % Attendance	Week Beg 17/11/25 % Attendance	Lates
Miss Harrison	90%	90%	2
Mrs Jones	100%	96.4%	2
Miss Ritchie	99.3%	90.7%	2
Mrs Hammersley	99%	85.2%	2
Mrs Moores	96.7%	100%	2

## Star of the Week and Values Winners

Congratulations to our stars whose efforts and achievements have been celebrated in our Celebration Assembly week ending 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> November.

Nursery – Oscar & Brooke

Reception – Jacob & Arlo

Year 1 – Gracie & Jessica

Year 2 – Finley & Marjorie

Year 3 – Frankie & Ava

Year 4 – Phoenix & Connie

## For Respect

Our STAR winners are::

Nursery – Lily & River

Reception – Tommie & Gabriel

Year 1 – Arthur Mc & Arthur S

Year 2 – Rowan & Charlie

Year 3 – Jay & Lucy

Year 4 – Ida & Lila

Principal: Miss C Wright • Wallbridge Drive, Leek, Staffordshire, ST13 8JG

T: 01538 714796 • E: [admin@woodcroft.sbmats.org](mailto:admin@woodcroft.sbmats.org)



# WOODCROFT ACADEMY

'Be Wise. Be wonderful.'

*Resilience \* Enjoyment \* Respect \* Excellence \* Responsible*

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

## Dates for your Diary

**2<sup>nd</sup> December** – KS2 Team building challenges  
(Bee Active enrichment day)

**3<sup>rd</sup> December** – EYFS Christmas Trip

**3<sup>rd</sup> December** – Year 3 Trip to Alton Towers

**4<sup>th</sup> December** – Reception Height and Weight Check

**9<sup>th</sup> December** – PTFA Christmas disco

**9<sup>th</sup> December** – Walking Bus Launch

**11<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

**12<sup>th</sup> December** – KS2 Carol singing at Sainsburys

**10<sup>th</sup> December** - KS1 and KS2 trip to New Victoria Theatre

**16<sup>th</sup> December** – EYFS and KS1 Christmas plays

**18<sup>th</sup> December** - EYFS and KS1 Christmas plays

**17<sup>th</sup> December** - Carols around the Tree for children and staff

Principal: Miss C Wright • Wallbridge Drive, Leek, Staffordshire, ST13 8JG  
T: 01538 714796 • E: [admin@woodcroft.sbmats.org](mailto:admin@woodcroft.sbmats.org)