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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy term it has been, filled with lots of learning opportunities and fun activities! As we approach the half term, we hope you all have an enjoyable break. We're excited about the many activities coming up in our second half of the spring term.

Year 3 Bikeability



A huge well done to all of our Year 3 children who took part in Bikeability! You all showcased your skills and learned some vital techniques

to ride safely in our local area. It was wonderful to see your resilience as you tackled new challenges, and the enjoyment you found in the process was truly heartwarming. Your Bikeability teachers had nothing but positive feedback about your efforts and enthusiasm.

Young Voices

Last week, some of our Year 3 and 4 pupils had the fantastic opportunity to travel to Manchester at the Coop Arena for the Young Voices concert. Working with Miss Harrison, they have worked incredibly hard over the past few months to prepare for this special event. The atmosphere was simply incredible as they sang their hearts out and danced the night away. Well done to you all for

representing Woodcroft in such a wonderful way!



NSPCC Number's Day



Last Friday, our whole school came together to celebrate Numbers Day! It was wonderful to see so many creative accessories featuring different numbers. Throughout the day, the children engaged in various activities, including counting in French, creating numbers during forest school, and

drawing a numbersuras. It was a fantastic way for everyone to truly celebrate the joy of numbers. We also raised money for the NSPCC, and we want to extend a heartfelt thank you for all your generous donations!

Safer Internet Day

This week, the children enjoyed an engaging assembly on AI as part of Safer Internet Day. Following the assembly, they participated in various activities focused on identifying safe and unsafe situations involving AI in their classrooms. The children worked collaboratively to explore different scenarios and provide thoughtful advice. It's wonderful to see their enthusiasm for keeping safe online! Let's continue to support them in navigating the digital world responsibly.

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Y4 Emile Competition

We are excited to announce that our Year 4 children will be participating in a thrilling multiplication competition against other Year 4 pupils within the St Bart's Multi Academy Trust! The competition will run from 9am on the 24th February until 3pm on the 26th February.

Students will use the free app, Learning with Emile, available for download on Google Play, the Apple Store, and the Microsoft Store. To score points for the World Cup, students should focus on the MTC-style games that cover all times tables from 2 to 12, with a 6-second answer time (look for the football icon!).

Come on Woodcroft, let's go for the win!

Wellbeing Assembly

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week! To kick off the week, the children engaged in an activity where they drew their own special place, adding elements that made them feel a sense of belonging. It was wonderful to see their creativity shine! For more engaging activities that you can enjoy as a family, do visit the Children's Mental Health Week website. Let's continue to support our children's wellbeing together!

Parent Workshops

Following half term Sarah Brough, our EMHP, will continue with parent workshops on behaviour. If you would like to attend please contact the school office to book a place or email admin@woodcroft.sbmat.org. Please see the dates for your diaries section below for the dates these are running.

Bringing Toys from Home

We kindly ask that children do not bring toys from home into school. They are not needed in the

classroom or on the playground, and we want to avoid any distractions. Additionally, trading or swapping toys with friends can lead to misunderstandings. Thank you for your corporation with this!

World Book Day - 5th March

Although it's a month away, we're thrilled to share our theme for World Book Day 2026! This year, we invite our children to come to school dressed as an inspirational person from the *Little People, Big Dreams* series.

We encourage the children to research their chosen figure and discover the impact they've made in the world. What a fantastic opportunity to learn! We'd love for them to create or make something to showcase what they've learned and bring it along on the day.

For more information and to explore the range of books and characters, please visit: [Little People, Big Dreams](#).

Happy reading!

Number of days we have achieved 100% this academic year	12
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Class	Week Beg 26/01/26 % Attendance	Week Beg 02/02/26 % Attendance	Lates
Miss Machin	92.1%	100%	3
Miss Bateman	96.4%	98.2%	
Miss Harrison	98.5%	97.4%	5
Mrs Hammersley	99.5%	95.5%	3
Mrs Moores	93.2%	99.2%	5

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Star of the Week and Values Winners

Congratulations to our stars whose efforts and achievements have been celebrated in our Celebration Assembly week ending 6th February 2026.

Nursery – Martha R
Reception – Edward L
Year 1 – Frank
Year 2 – Nate
Year 3 – Albie
Year 4 – Orla

For Enjoyment & Responsibility

Our STAR winners are:

Nursery – Seb
Reception – Frazer
Year 1 – Isla
Year 2 – Elliot
Year 3 – Rowan
Year 4 – Angel

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

Dates for your Diary

13th February – Inset day – school closed to pupils
23rd February – school reopens for all pupils.
23rd February at 9am – EYFS Behaviour Parent Workshop
2nd March at 9am – KS1 Behaviour Parent Workshop
9th March at 9am - KS2 Behaviour Parent Workshop
5th March – World Book Day
6th March – Early Years Superheroes Day

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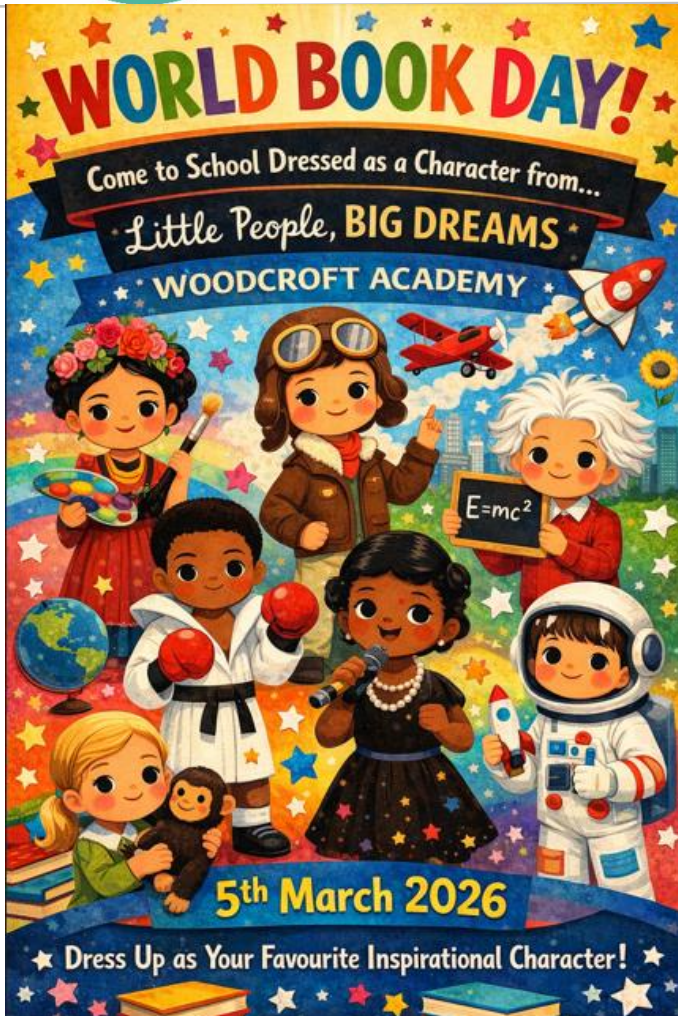
11th March – Reception Mother's Day Assembly
12th March – 19th March – Scholastic Book Fair
13th March – Early Years school trip to Sealife and Legoland
16th March – EYFS scoot to school day
17th March – Year 1 scoot or bike to school
18th March – Year 2 scoot or bike to school
18th March – Parents evening - booking open at 5pm on Monday 23rd March.
19th March – Year 3 scoot or bike to school
20th March – Year 4 scoot or bike to school
23rd March – Year 2 Peak Wildlife Trip
24th March – Walk to school with a character
26th March – Early years and KS1 Easter Bonnet parade



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