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W O O D B O R O U G H C E V A P R I M A R Y S C H O O L

NEWSLETTER

This newsletter marks the end of Term 1 and we'd like to wish all of our families a happy and restful half term holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone again for the start of Term 2 on Monday 2nd November.

Don't forget, if you have something you'd like to add to our weekly newsletter, please email the details to Miss Bolwell in the school office: admin@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk.

Rounding up Term 1...

Many CONGRATULATIONS to all of the pupils in MERCURY HOUSE who together collected the greatest number of House Points and Silver Tokens this term.

They celebrated today by wearing non-uniform and enjoying some well-earned sweet treats.

Food Bank Thanks...

We'd like to say a **huge THANK YOU** for all of the generous donations for the **Devizes and District Food Bank**. Our wheelbarrow has been filled many, many times over and we're looking forward to sending it all to such a worthy cause.



Parents' Evening - tell us what you thought, please...



The final few Parents' Evening appointments have been completed this week and teachers have really enjoyed meeting with parents and carers via School Cloud. Don't forget to share any feedback you might have via our short survey, in order that we can make future remote meetings even better: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YKYRQP3>

"There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book."

...wise words from our new Reader Leaders, Izzy and Max, in Year 6 (and also Frank Serafini - Professor of Children's Literature)!

Be sure to follow the link and take a look at the very first edition of their termly [Reading Review](#). Read about **book recommendations** from children across the school, **teachers' favourite reads**, 'Author in the Spotlight' and learn how you can contribute to our forthcoming **Author Wall**.

And finally for this term... Pumpkin Design Competition

Our new **School Council** have been busy meeting this term (socially distanced, of course).

Generously, they have decided to give £75 to each class to fund equipment to be used during playtimes from next term onwards.

In order to swell the School

Council coffers again they have devised a **half term holiday fundraiser**. Find details of their competition here and we'll look forward to seeing some brilliant autumnal designs:

[Autumn Pumpkin Lantern Design Competition.](#)



This term we are focussing across our school on the **parables** that Jesus told.

During whole-school Collective Worship, we will be listening to parables being shared across our school by teachers, using Microsoft Teams.

*During Class Worship we will be discussing the stories we have heard and linking them to the core Christian values of: **courage, truth, forgiveness, respect, trust and kindness**, upon which our school is founded.*

Read more about everything we're doing and how you can join in, by viewing this term's [RE & CW Newsletter](#).

[Click on this link](#)

to read about worship in the Vale of Pewsey.



ATTENDANCE

19th - 21st October 2020

Attendance	Absence
96.2 %	3.8 %

Reporting Absence

Please notify the office of absence and the reason for it by 9.00 am each day.

Tel: 01672 851305 or email: admin@woodborough.wilts.sch.uk

A half term reminder from our PTA...

If you're planning to get ahead and do some online Christmas shopping during half term, don't forget you can raise money for our school at the same time via:



Log on now, go to

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/woodboroughcfeschool/>



Go to: smile.amazon.com
Search: Woodborough School Pta

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To the following children who celebrate their birthdays this week and during half term:

Theodore R (10)

Evie G (8)

Belle E (11)

Kelvin S (7)

Leighvi S (8)

Jamie P (9)



As half term begins, we have been asked to share the following message from Public Health Wiltshire...

Wiltshire Council

20th October 2020

Dear parents and carers,

As we head towards the half-term break, which I'm sure many of you are looking forward to, we thought now would be a good opportunity to thank you for your continued support in playing your part to help keep the virus rate as low as possible in Wiltshire.

After what has been a difficult six months or so, we want you and your family to enjoy the half term break. However, we would hate to see you and your family having to spend it self-isolating due to COVID-19 and all the disruption that brings with it.

We're at the stage now that if you or your family imminently contract the virus then you would have to spend the majority of the half-term break, if not all of it, inside and self-isolating. Therefore, now more than ever it's vital to follow the national advice.

We know there's so much information available and it's hard to keep track, particularly on when or when not to get tested for COVID-19, so we thought we'd re-iterate the main messages.

We've also enclosed a 'what to do guide' which we hope you find useful. It is a step-by-step guide which takes you through various COVID-19 related scenarios and the action you should take in each.

If you have the following COVID-19 symptoms you must self-isolate and get a test done as soon as possible:

- a high temperature
 - a new, continuous cough
 - a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste
- You can book at test at <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

We want to use this as an opportunity to remind you that you should only get a test if you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been asked to get tested.

The easiest way to prevent getting COVID-19 is to keep following the guidance and continue to play your part:

- Wash hands – keep washing hands regularly
- Wear face coverings in enclosed spaces
- Make space – stay at least 2 meters apart or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions
- Follow the Rule of Six

And while in normal circumstances the half-term break would be a time for your children to enjoy playdates and sleepovers, we'd encourage you to limit these as much as possible, as this will help reduce the likelihood of more cases emerging.

While the number of people who have COVID-19 in Wiltshire is comparatively lower than other parts of the country, our rates are unfortunately rising, so we can't allow ourselves to get complacent.

We know this has been a difficult year for school communities up and down the county and thank you once again for your support and understanding during this time, we really appreciate it.

Yours sincerely

Kate Blackburn
Director of Public Health for Wiltshire

Find a [copy of this letter](#), the 'what to do' guide and other useful and relevant COVID-19 information on our website [here](#).



HOT SCHOOL MEALS MENU

Take a look at next week's options [here](#) and book via School Gateway (£2.30 per meal for pupils in Cherry, Elm, Lime and Willow Classes).

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Jacket Wedges	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Hot Dog with Jacket Wedges	Fish Fingers Chips & Peas
Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Vegetarian Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Veggie Hot Dog with Jacket Wedges	Jacket Potato with Beans
Selection of fresh vegetables	Selection of fresh vegetables	Selection of fresh vegetables	Selection of fresh vegetables	Selection of fresh vegetables
Vanilla Shortbread	Vanilla Cake	Jelly Pot	Shortbread Biscuit	Chocolate Cookie