

Woodlands News



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Message from the Headteacher

Year 6 SATs

Dear Year 6,

I can't quite believe it's that time of year again... The weekend before the SATs is here! Before Monday, I just want to remind you and your families that we measure your progress not just in test results, but in how you treat others, your attitude to learning and how you've developed into a confident, independent individual, throughout this year. Many of you excel in art, sport, drama, singing and caring for others; these qualities and skills are just as important. Be proud of your many achievements because we certainly are.

We know that these assessments only give a snapshot of where you are, in your learning journey so far, for both English and Maths. They do not show what makes you special to us, your friends, and your family.

You must not get worried about the tests. Worrying is our job - and we are NOT worried! But if you are concerned in any way, please come and talk to us on Monday morning, during breakfast so that we can reassure you and put your minds at rest.

Year 6, I and all of your teachers, know you've work hard in school - everything you need to prepare for the SATs has been covered.. So this weekend, please try to relax:

- Eat ice-cream
- Ride a bike
- Spend time with people you love
- Cook
- Play outside
- Go for a swim
- Get creative - paint, draw or make something.
- Get plenty of rest, eat healthily and have a couple of early nights
- And don't even begin to worry about the tests

Parents - help us support your children:

- During the SATs week, whilst keeping to normal timetable, try to avoid late nights, as children will find sitting the tests tiring.
- Try to make sure your child has some fresh air when they come home from school on test days.
- Keep SATs in proportion. They are primary-school tests to gauge the education in the school and do not affect the secondary school your child will go to.
- Stay positive. Many children enjoy taking the tests as they see it as a challenge and like the importance and the feeling of being special that SATs give year 6.

Good luck Year 6 - YOU'VE GOT THIS!



Do you walk your children to school?

Would you like to get paid for doing it?!

We have 2 vacancies to join our walking bus.

Every day, our walking bus supports around 70 children to get to school- you could be one of the amazing staff bringing not only your child, but lots of other eager learners—and earn over £27 per week in the process!



Well done to this week's SOS winners! Great work everyone!



Just a friendly reminder...

When bringing your children to school, please only use the **EYFS gate**, if you have children attending EYFS. Lots of parents, and children, are using this gate as a shortcut to the main playground. This makes the EYFS entrance unnecessarily busy, and can be unsettling for our youngest children.

Please be mindful, if you are arriving at school at the same time as the walking bus. The **walking bus** staff must ensure the Safe-guarding of the children in their care,. This becomes difficult to manage if other parents and children are 'pushing past' or integrating in the line. Walking bus staff politely request that other parents and children to not 'tag along' at the traffic lights, and, where possible, walk to the left hand side of the path up to school (the walking bus will endeavour to keep to the right) to avoid confusion.

Finally, now that the **sun** has begun to (finally) shine, please ensure that your child has a water bottle, sunhat and suncream each day, to help them keep cool and stay protected while playing out and talking part in PE lessons.

Many thanks.



welcome TO THE TEAM

Following successful applications, we would like to congratulate, and welcome, Emma Moore and Lee Cozens to our Governing board.

Emma has been a parent at Woodlands for over 13 years, during which time she has worked in the school kitchen, volunteered as guided reading support in KS1, supported the school on many school trips, and been a committed member of the school PTA.

Lee is a father of two children, one of whom attends Woodlands. Lee has an engineering degree and 25 years experience in business ownership, software management and Facilities & Environmental Management.

We wish them both the best of luck and thank them for volunteering their time and dedication to make a difference to everyone at Woodlands by offering strategic guidance which will support shaping the future for our children.

Dates for your diary:

Mon 13th May	Y6 SATS WEEK
Tues 14th May	Beaudesert Parents' Meeting
Tues 21st May	EYFS Teddy Bear's Picnic
Wed 22nd May	Y6 Reading at Bennett's House
Fri 24th May	LAST DAY OF HALF TERM
Mon 3rd June	BACK TO SCHOOL
Mon 3rd- Tues 4th June	Y6 Bikability
Mon 3rd June	Times Table Rockstar Day!
Tues 4th June	Year 4 Multiplication Check
Thurs 6th June	Year 3 Beaudesert Residential
Fri 7th June	Book Fayre in school for 1 week
Mon 10th June	Year 1 Phonics Screen week



Attendance Matters

Please remember that if your child arrive at school after 8:50, they will be marked as late.

KS1 – Mrs Paterson & Mrs Braim's class– 99.05%

KS2 – Mrs Thompsons' class– 94.31%



If you have not yet signed up for 'Class Dojo' please speak to your child's teacher. This is a great way to keep in touch with school, have access to important information and keep up to date with your child's learning!

All dates, information and school information is also available on our school website:

<https://www.woodlands-sch.org.uk/>