



Headteacher Update – 06.09.24

Welcome back to a new academic year! It has been a pleasure seeing many of you at the school gates this week.

I was woken up by thunder this morning, which seems fitting, as today is the day of our Welcome Back BBQ! While the event may not go exactly as planned due to the field likely being out of action, we will still do our best to ensure a great experience. It will be a wonderful opportunity for staff and families to connect and look forward to a successful year ahead.

This first week has been very busy, but I have been thoroughly impressed by the children's behaviour and positive attitudes. Our attendance this week has been around 98%, which is fantastic! I would also like to thank you for your patience as we introduced several new initiatives, including RELISH, the medical tracker, and After School Club. While we encountered more initial challenges than anticipated, your support has been greatly appreciated. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. I also want to acknowledge that the phone line issues have been less than ideal, but the office team has handled the situation admirably, and we hope the phone company resolves it soon.

The teachers have introduced our new Foundation Subject Curriculum this week, and I have already seen some fantastic Art and Music lessons. A particular highlight was Year 6's dramatic music session!

By now, you should have received an invitation to join your child's Class Dojo page. We plan to use this platform more frequently for communication, and I will also be sharing whole school updates, pictures, and stories there.

Lastly, we are very excited to welcome our new Elmer class on Monday. With their arrival, the Culverstone family for the 2024/2025 school year will be complete.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend 😊

Mr Bernard

Headteacher



Dates for your diary- Friday 6th September 2024

- Friday 6th September 2024 – iRock sessions begin
- Thursday 12th September 2024 – Year 5 Swimming Begins
- Friday 13th September – Year 3 Recorder sessions with Kent Music – these will be weekly.
- Thursday 12th September – 11+ Kent Test
- Friday 20th September 2024 – Jeans for Genes Day
 - *Chn. can wear jeans/non-uniform on this day and bring in a donation.*
- Thursday 26th September 2024 – Open Day Event for Reception Starters in September 2025
- Sunday 22nd September – Monday 23rd September 2024 – Rome Trip
- Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October – Book Fair
- Thursday 3rd October – Live Harvest Carnival Lessons in Class
- Thursday 3rd October – Poetry Day
- Thursday 10th October – Hello Yellow For Mental Health
 - Children can wear yellow or bright colours – no donation required.
- Friday 11th October – Parent Forum 2.30pm
- Friday 24th October – Last Day of Term 1 Normal Finish time

Harvest Festival Assemblies

This year we will be asking for donations to the local food bank to celebrate Harvest. Each Key Stage will be learning a song and/or poem that we would like to share with parents on the following dates:



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Monday 7th October – 2.30pm Years 5 and 6
Tuesday 8th October – 9.00am – 9.20am Reception and Years 1 & 2
Tuesday 8th October – 2.30pm Year 3 and 4

Woodlands School

Reception – Friday 11th October
Year 1 – Wednesday 2nd October
Year 2 – Friday 18th October
Year 3 – Wednesday 16th October
Year 4 – Thursday 17th October
Year 5 – Wednesday 23rd October
Year 6 – Friday 4th October

PTA Halloween Disco

There will be a Halloween Disco on Thursday 24th October –
Year R, 1, 2 and 3 4.30 – 5.30 and Year 4, 5, 6 4.45pm-
5.45pm.

Golden Ticket Event

There will be a special Golden Ticket Event for all children who have received a gold sticker or certificate etc. this term. Classes will choose what the event will be. In Terms 2, 4 and 6 there will be whole school celebration events.

Each class will choose their event and we will then let you know these.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will happen before the end of this term. We are just finalising the dates/times and then will share them with you before the end of next week.