



# Woodcote Weekly

3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

## Dates for the Diary

### February

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> – Whole school  
Author Visit  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> – Birch Class Assembly  
2.30pm  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> – Last day of half term  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Children return to  
school  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> – Willow Class  
Assembly 2.30pm  
Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – Sycamore & Ash  
parent consultation day  
Tues 28<sup>th</sup> – Rowan & Willow  
parent consultation day

### March

Weds 1<sup>st</sup> – Pine & Hawthorn  
parent consultation day  
Weds 1<sup>st</sup> – Parent  
Consultation Evening (all  
years)  
Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> – Oak & Birch  
parent consultation day  
Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> – Hawthorn Class  
Assembly 2.30pm  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> – Sycamore Class  
Assembly 2.30pm  
Sat 11<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country at  
Woodstone (new date)  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> – Ash Class Assembly  
2.30pm  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> – Mothers' Day  
Breakfast

### April

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> – Cross Country at  
Griffydham  
Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> – Spring Craft Day  
Fri 7<sup>th</sup> – Last day of Spring  
Term  
Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Children return to  
school

### May

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> – May Day  
Week beginning Mon 8<sup>th</sup> –  
Year 6 SATs  
Week beginning Mon 15<sup>th</sup> –  
Year 4/5/6 PGL  
Fri 26<sup>th</sup> – Last day of half term

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## This Week

Our football team played a match this week against Hugglescote. Although we did not win the match, we were so proud of how well our children played. Tom played so well in goal and never gave up even though some of the players were 2 years older than him!

Well done to our Year 5 cyclists who completed level 1 and 2 cycle training this week. We had some fantastic feedback from the instructors who were really impressed with our children.

## Author Visit

Reminder: Mike Mallony (Author) will be holding an assembly at 9am on Monday. The children will have an opportunity to ask him questions and you are more than welcome to join us for this assembly. Please let the school office know if you will be attending (to ensure that we have enough chairs!) Mike will then be spending the day working with the children across the school in their classrooms.

Mike will be also selling and signing his book, 'Nana Troll' and asks that the correct money (£6.99) is put into a named envelope on the day if you wish to purchase a signed copy.

## Wear a Funky Scarf Day

We have been asked to support Charity Link, a local charity who change lives through tackling poverty. The official 'Wear a Funky Scarf Day' was on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January; however we will be holding ours **next Friday** (10<sup>th</sup> February). Children are invited to wear their favourite (or most funky) scarf in exchange for a small donation. Every penny raised will help Charity Link to improve local lives by providing essential items to families in need.

## School Money

After February half term, the school office will be going completely **cashless**. The school office will be unable to accept cheques or cash for Breakfast Club, dinners or visits. All payments will need to be made online at [www.schoolmoney.co.uk](http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk) using the password or via Paypoint at the Co-op. The only exception to this when the office will be able to accept cash will be when we are having a fundraising day and money is donated for events such as Children in Need.

If you do have any questions about School Money, or if you would like a password reminder or more information about Paypoint, please contact the office who would be happy to help.

## Dates

As a reminder, our term dates for 2017-2018 are slightly different from the Local Authority, so that they are in line with other local secondary schools. **Therefore when checking term dates, please ensure that you use our website rather than the Leicestershire website, as there will be slight differences.**

## Bacon Cobs

After February half term, School Food Support who cook our school dinners, will be offering bacon or sausage cobs on a Friday morning for adults after they have dropped their child at school. They will be available from the school hall from 8.40am until 9am. The kitchen will be charging £1 for the cobs and they will be collecting the money directly. We'll be trialling this until Easter to see how popular they are. You can either take your cob away with you, or have a catch up with some of the other parents.

## Governors

Our governors are a dedicated group of people who volunteer their time to improve and support Woodcote Primary School; they are our 'critical friends' in helping us to develop further. As part of their role, the governors often visit the school during the school day. The visits have a particular focus and we have a Governor Visits book situated in the reception area where you are able to read their comments.

Mr Freeman volunteered to become a new parent governor and as he was the only candidate, there will not be a parent election. We would like to welcome Mr Freeman and Mrs Rose Dunn onto our Governing Body. Rose has also joined our Governing Body this term as a Co-opted member (formally known as Community Governor). Both governors will be a welcome addition to our team.

