



Great [Wood] News

Autumn Term 6



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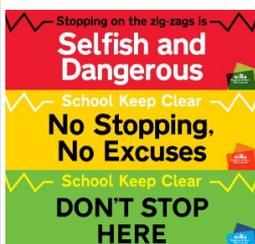
Diary Dates

10th October	-	PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm - All Welcome
17th October	-	Harvest Lunch
19th October	-	Harvest Festival, 2pm - All Welcome
22nd October	-	PTFA Spooky Disco
24th October	-	Academy Photography - Individuals, Families and Siblings
25th October	-	School Closes for Half term
26th October	-	Staff Training Day, School Closed
5th November	-	School Re-opens
6th November	-	Flu Vaccination Programme
10th November	-	PTFA Bonfire Extravaganza
11th November	-	Remembrance Service
12th November	-	Anti Bullying Week
16th November	-	Children in Need Day
17th November	-	Cheadle Christmas Lights Switch on
30th November	-	Tean Christmas Lights Switch on
2nd December	-	PTFA Christmas Shopping Trip
5th December	-	Festival of Christmas Music @ The Victoria Hall
7th December	-	Nativity Performance, 2pm - All Welcome
10th December	-	Nativity Performance, 5.30pm - All Welcome
11th December	-	KS2 Christmas Trip
13th December	-	Reception & KS1 Christmas Trip
14th December	-	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
	-	Christmas Extravaganza
20th December	-	Christmas Lunch
	-	Christmas Disco
21st December	-	Christmas Breakfast
	-	Christmas Carol Service
	-	School Closes for Christmas Holidays



Parking

It has been drawn to our attention that some parents are parking on the yellow zigzags, outside school. Please can we ask that parents do not do this. Please may we also remind parents that the school car park, is for staff and pre-arranged visitors to Great Wood only. We would therefore ask parents to refrain from bringing their vehicles down the school drive. In exceptional circumstances, please contact the school office, so that suitable arrangements can be made. Thank you for your co-operation and for helping to keep our children safe.



PTFA Christmas Shopping Trip

Once again, this year our wonderful PTFA have organised a Christmas shopping trip. This year we are going to Liverpool with it's fantastic Christmas markets, on Sunday 2nd December. This is a very popular PTFA event and gives you an opportunity to enjoy your Christmas shopping, with friends and family, without having to drive, or worry about the dreaded Christmas parking!

The coach will be leaving school at 8.30am and will leave Liverpool at 5.30pm for the return journey.

Tickets are priced at just £10 per person, available from the school office.



There will be an exciting raffle taking place during the journey, where you could win lots of goodies for Christmas!

Harvest

For our fantastic Harvest Festival this Year, we will be following the same format as last year. We will be enjoying the delightful performances of our children, during the Harvest assembly, which will be followed by our "Celebration of Harvest". There will be a variety of activities for you and your children to enjoy; A Farmer's Market, Great Wood exciting apple bobbing (be prepared to get wet) and of course our famous produce sale! Please could you bring your kind donations of produce (fresh, tinned or packaged), into school on Friday 19th October. All proceeds from the sale of your generous donations will, as is the Great Wood tradition, go to Tean and Checkley's O.A.P Association. We would like to, also, take this opportunity to thank all of the parents, who gave feedback to members of the Great Wood team and gave us such positive feedback, last year. You're support means a great deal to us.

We hope you will be able to join us once again, for our "Celebration of Harvest" this year, starting at 2pm on Friday 19th October.

We look forward to seeing you there and feel sure that you will enjoy a fun filled and worthwhile afternoon.



Spooky Disco

Our Great Wood Spooky Disco will be on Monday 22nd October 6.30-8pm.

Put on your spookiest outfit because there will be a prize for the best dressed KS1 and KS2 Spook! There will be spot prizes for the spookiest dancers and a raffle to win the CD of the night.

Each Spook will receive a raffle ticket, glo band, a spooky goody bag and as much Spooky punch as they can drink!

Entry is £2 per spook and Reception children must be accompanied by an adult.



Superhero Day!

On Thursday 25th October KS1 will be holding a Superhero Day.

Children are invited to wear their favourite superhero costume, whether it be Batman, Superwoman, Spiderman, or Harley Quinn, should they wish to. There will be lots of super activities throughout the day.

This event brings together all the work that the children have been doing this term, with the theme of superheroes. We are sure that the children will have a great time and benefit from this experience.

So fly into school and be SUPER!



Wednesday 17th October

Harvest Lunch

Cottage Pie or
Country Vegetable Pie
Roast Potatoes, Peas &
Parsnips

Steamed Chocolate
Sponge
Yogurt or Fruit Platter

Reception, Year 1/2/3/4/5 Flu Vaccinations

Reception, Year 1/2/3/4 and 5 children have been offered a flu vaccine as part of the school's vaccination programme. The vaccine is designed to protect children against flu, which can be an unpleasant illness. By having the vaccination, children are also less likely to pass the virus on to friends and family.

Please can consent forms be returned to school by Friday 19th October, thank you.



Keeping warm!

As we say a reluctant goodbye to the beautiful summer and the cold weather creeps in, we ask that all children bring a coat to school, to wear at playtime and lunchtime. Also, as it becomes appropriate, please can you ensure that your child/children have hats and gloves to keep them warm, when they are on the playground. Children that do not have suitable outdoor clothing, will not, as the weather becomes colder, be allowed to have an outdoor playtime and will have to remain inside at break and lunch times. Thank you for your help in keeping our Great Wood children warm and cosy.



Academy Photographs

Academy will once again be in school on Wednesday 24th October to take individual/family group photos of our wonderful children. If you have any younger children, not yet in school and you would like Academy to take their photo too, please bring them into school at 8.30am on 24th October.

Please do not hesitate to contact any member of our school team if you have any queries.



The Moorlands Primary Federation Members and Trustees

Below is a list of the Members and Trustees of The Moorlands Primary Federation, a little bit of information about the difference in their roles and the Trustees' contact details should you wish to communicate with them.

The Moorlands Primary Federation (TMPF) Members 2018/9

Members are the equivalent of the shareholders – they 'own' the Multi-Academy Trust. Our Members appoint the Trustees and meet at least annually.

Mr Peter Chell
Mr John Ratcliffe
Mrs Kay Hulse
Rev Linda Lucking
Vacancy

The Moorlands Primary Federation Trust Board 2018/9

Trust Board members are also known as Trustees. These are the people who fulfil the roles previously done by Governors. They promote the vision, ethos and strategic direction of our schools; they act as a critical friend to the leadership team and hold them to account for each school's performance; and oversee the use of resources to ensure money is well spent.

Mr Peter Chell - Chair of Trust Board and Link Trustee for The Valley Primary School –
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Mrs Kay Hulse - Vice-Chair of Trust Board and Link Trustee for Dilhorne Endowed C. E. (A) Primary School – email: khulse@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

Mr John Ratcliffe – Link Trustee for St. Werburgh's C. E. (A) Primary School – email: office@st-werburghs.staffs.sch.uk

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Mr Fraser Martin (pending application approval)

Vacancy (pending application approval)

Mr Jared Eccles – jeccles@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk



Bugs!

We have a couple of bugs going around school at the moment, to help stop these spreading please can you refrain from sending your child back to school until 48 hours after any episode of sickness.

Thank you for your help.