Great [Wood] News Autumn Term 3



School Contact Details



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| Diary Dates | | |
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| Wednesday 11th October | - | New Reception Tour, 9.45am |
| Friday 13th October | - | Harvest Singing, 3pm - All Welcome |
| Wednesday 18th October | - | New Reception Tour, 3.45pm |
| | - | PTFA AGM, 6.30pm - All Welcome |
| Wednesday 25th October | - | New Reception Tour, 9.45am |
| Thursday 26th October | - | Year 2/3 Stone Age Day |
| | - | PTFA Spooky Disco, 6-7.30pm |
| Friday 27th October | - | School Closes for Half term |
| Monday 6th November | - | Inset Day - School Closed to Pupils |
| Tuesday 7th November | - | School Re-Opens |
| Friday 17th November | - | BBC Children In Need |
| Thursday 23rd November | - | Flu Vaccinations |
| Friday 24th November | - | Tean Christmas Lights Switch On |
| Saturday 25th November | - | Christmas Fair, 11am-1.30pm - All Welcome |
| Monday 27th November | - | National Child Measuring Programme |
| Thursday 30th November | - | PTFA Christmas Bingo, 6.30pm - All Welcome |
| Tuesday 5th December | - | Nativity Performance, 5.30pm |
| Thursday 7th December | - | Nativity Performance, 5.30pm |
| Friday 8th December | - | Alzheimer's Elf Day |
| Monday 11th December | - | R/1 & Y2/3 Christmas Trip - SnowDome Tamworth |
| Tuesday 12th December | - | Victoria Hall Christmas Concert |
| Thursday 14th December | - | KS2 Christmas Trip - The New Vic Theatre, The Nutcracker |
| Friday 15th December | - | Christmas Jumper Day |
| Wednesday 20th December | - | Christmas Lunch |
| Friday 22nd December | - | Christmas Breakfast |
| | - | School Closes For Christmas |

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

A great big thank you to all our families and friends that donated, supported and attended our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 29th September. It was once again a huge success and we raised, a massive £468.80 from your generous donations, which will go to an extremely good cause.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to our staff, who organised the afternoon and also to all our fabulous volunteers, parents and, of course, our children, for all their help and support putting on , this event.





Keeping warm!

As we start to say a reluctant goodbye to the summer and the cold & wet 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.



Please can we remind you that children's Meal, Break & Wrap Around accounts should be paid for in advance, NOT in arrears.

Please check regularly and top up accordingly. Thank you.



Healthy Lunches

We would like to remind parents that Great Wood is a healthy eating school. If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please can you ensure that it is as healthy as possible. "Eat better, feel better" Change4life.





- Wednesday 11th October 9,45am
- Wednesday 18th October 3,45pm
- Wednesday 25th October 9.45am

If you would like to come and see what we have to offer, please contact us on 01538 702355 option 4 or email the school office. Please contact us if you would like to visit us at an alternative time.

The school tours are by appointment only. During the morning tour you will be able to see the children learning in their classroom

We look forward to meeting you and showcasing all that Great Wood has to offer.



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Applications for Reception September 2024

The application process for Reception Class 2024 opens on Wednesday 1st November.

If you, or anyone you know has a child, who is due to start school in September, please be aware that the application process will open soon.

All applications must be done online at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions and by following the links to 'Apply online'. Please be aware that having your child's name in the school book DOES NOT mean you

automatically have a place and an online application has to be made.

If any parent requires help with the application process, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.



Your Child's School Uniform

Unfortunately, we are getting a lot of parents contacting us, regarding missing school uniform and PE kits.

We would ask that you ensure that all of your child's uniform, including their PE kit, pumps, trainers, shoes and coats are clearly labelled with their name. As we are sure that you can imagine, children easily mislay their belongings, or accidentally pick up somebody else's PE kit. We appreciate the cost of your child's uniform and hope that you will help us to make sure that your child/children do not lose any of their uniform, or kit. Labelling makes it far easier and quicker to reunite items with their actual owners.

Please can you also check that your child is wearing their own uniform and not somebody else's labelled uniform, because we still have some missing.

For anyone missing uniform, we already have a large collection of unnamed, unclaimed items.



Thank you for your help in this matter.