

WOOLENWICK JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

28th November 2017 – No. 6 Parent/Carer Partnership

Christmas is well underway here at Woolenwick as the corridors are filled with the sounds of year 3 and 4 rehearsing their performance! Across the school, we have just completed (or in year 6, are completing) our end of term assessments. As you know, we had OFSTED visit us for a couple of days last week. We will share the outcome with you as soon as we are allowed to. As always, the children were fantastic - we are incredibly proud of how welcoming, polite and hardworking they were. Thank you for sharing your opinions with OFSTED – it's always great to have your views on what you feel about the school. We would also like to thank the staff for their continued hard work.

CHRISTMAS galore!

Decorations Day - Friday 1st December is Decorations Day in school where the children will be taking part in lots of exciting activities to make the school look festive. Please ensure your child is wearing old clothes for this as they are likely to come home covered in glue, paint and glitter! If you would like to help for part or all of the day, please let the office staff know.

Christmas Cards - The Christmas post box will be open from Monday 4th December. To make sorting the post easier, please try to include the class name on the envelope as part of the address. In an effort to be eco-friendly, the children and adults are encouraged to send only one Christmas card with all their friends' names written in (or addressed to the whole class), rather than lots of individual cards. Any cards sent in this way will be displayed around the school for the children to view.

Christmas Dinner - The school will be having our Christmas Dinner on Thursday 7th December. There will be the usual choice of sliced turkey breast or roast Quorn fillet with all the trimmings. On that day there will be no packed lunch option. All children are welcome to have a dinner on that day at a cost of £2.40.

Y3/4 Christmas Play - Our concert is fast approaching for the play. Please make sure that you have ordered your tickets or you may be disappointed.

Christmas Raffle - Christmas raffle tickets are now on sale at a cost of 20p each or £1 for a strip. Please see the poster for more details. The raffle will be drawn at the Year 3/4 Christmas play on Thursday 14th December. Any money raised from the raffle will be put towards buying some more Ipads for the school.

Photo Key Rings - A letter has gone out giving you the opportunity to buy a key ring containing your child's photo for £1 (single sided) or £1.5 (double sided). If you would like to purchase one of these, please send this slip back with the correct payment.

School-made Calendars – due to the success of last year's school made calendars, we are currently in the process of making our 2018 calendars. These make a great stocking filler for loved ones and also look great on your walls at home or work ;-). Order forms will be sent out on Friday so keep an eye out!

HOUSE RESULTS

4th place – Cheetahs, 699
3rd place – Lions, 793
2nd place – Panthers, 930
1st place – Tigers, 961

The winning house for attendance were the Tigers with 98%.

GOLD BOOK WINNERS

Well done to the following children for being in the Gold Book for the last week:

Kindness -

Alessia and Charlotte(3M), Nadia and Megan (3O), Emily and Martin (4O), Poppy and Sophia (4S), Melody and Cameron (5E), Lois and Harley (5P), Adam and George (6A), Harley and Davie (6D)

Presentation –

Olivia and Lotti (3M), Ada and Miley (3O), Dominick and Serena (4O), Tyler (4S), Phoenix and Hannah (5E), Juliet and Vinnie (5P), Lois and Alfie (6A), Oliver and Luke (6D)

Growth Mindset –

Roman and Jayden (3M), Osayamen and Callum (3O), Mia and Joseph (4O), Lacey (4S), Jemma and William (5E), Zac and Sam (5P), Elysia and Lennon (6A), Emily and Christopher (6D).

KEY AUTUMN DATES

Please find below a list of the significant dates for this term.

Monday 20 th – Friday 24 th November	Year 3-5 assessment week
Wednesday 22 nd November	Year 5 trip to CineWorld (English/PSHE based)
Monday 27 th – Thursday 30 th November	Year 6 assessment week
Friday 1 st December	Decorations Day
Tuesday 12 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Play (6.00 pm)
Wednesday 13 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Play (1.30 pm)
Thursday 14 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Play (5.00pm)
Thursday 14 th December	Pantomime
Monday 18 th December	Always/Leslie Bell assembly
Tuesday 19 th December	Last day of school – 1.30pm finish

TERM DATES

School Year 2017/18	
Autumn Term	
Occasional day	Wednesday 30 th August 2017
Occasional day	Thursday 31 st August 2017
Inset day	Friday 1 st September 2017
Inset day	Monday 4 th September 2017
Children return	Tuesday 5th September 2017
Half term - Children finish	Friday 20th October 2017
Children return	Monday 30th October 2017
Christmas Holiday - Children finish	Tuesday 19th December 2017
Spring Term	
Inset day	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018
Inset day	Thursday 4 th January 2018
Children return	Friday 5th January 2018
Half term - Children finish	Friday 9th February 2018
Children return	Monday 19th February 2018
Easter Holiday – Children finish	Thursday 29th March 2018
Summer Term	
Inset day	Monday 16 th April 2018
Children return	Tuesday 17th April 2018
Half term - Children finish	Friday 25th May 2018
Occasional day	Monday 4 th June 2018
Summer Holiday – Children finish	Tuesday 24th July 2019
Occasional day	Wednesday 25 th July 2018
Occasional day	Thursday 26 th July 2018
Occasional day	Friday 27 th July 2018

All Hertfordshire term dates are posted on the web at

<http://www.hertsdirect.org/services/edlearn/schlfe/termdates>