

NEWSLETTER



Friday 30th January 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Attached to today's newsletter is a parent questionnaire. The questionnaire has been issued by our Governing Body to seek parents' views about our school. Some of our governors will attend our parents' evening next week and they will be available to talk with you about the questionnaire, complete one with you (if you misplace this one) and answer any questions you might have.

Next week, Mr Whitcombe and the Year Three children will be hosting a parent workshop. It is always wonderful to see parents in school working with their children so it will be fabulous if you can attend. The workshop is taking place on Wednesday 4th February from 9.10am – in the junior hall.

From Monday, our PTA will be selling tickets for the Valentine's Discos taking place on 12th February – further details are in this newsletter.

Finally, on 9th February Animals in Hands will be in school with some interesting creatures for our EYFS and KS1 children to learn about. There will be no charge to families for this educational visitor.

With very best wishes

Mr Higgins

DIARY

w/c 2nd February Lunch Menu:
Week One

4th February 2026 – 9.10am
Year Three Parent Workshop

4th February 2026
Parents' Evening

9th February 2026
Animals in Hands (EYFS/KS1)

9th-13th February 2026
Children's Mental Health Week

11th February 2026 – 9.10am
Year Five Parent Workshop

12th February 2026
2.30pm – 3.15pm
PTA Valentine's Disco
for EYFS/KS1

12th February 2026
3.30pm – 4.15pm
PTA Valentine's Disco for KS2

13th February 2026
PTA Non-Uniform Day Fundraiser

16th – 20th February 2026
Half Term week

23rd February 2026
Spring Term² starts
for children

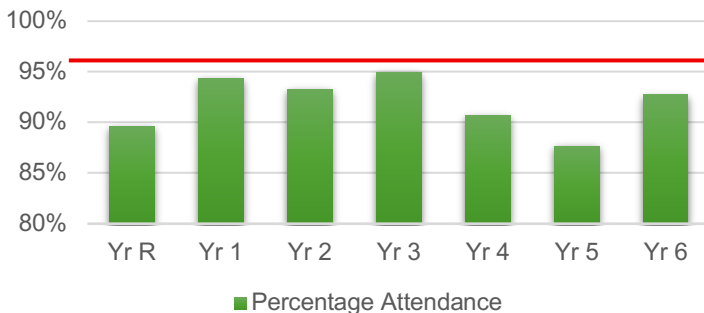
4th March 2026 – 9.10am
Year Four's Class Assembly

5th March 2026
World Book Day



Attendance

w/c 19th January 2026



96% is our **MINIMUM** expectation for attendance.

Did your child's class reach 96% last week?

This year's attendance, to date, is

92%



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Autism

Does your child have a diagnosis of or is on the pathway for a diagnosis of autism? Do you have family members with autism or are you concerned your child may show traits of autism? Do you sometimes worry about how best to support your child/ren at home (or in school)?

Mrs Nash & Beacon School Support are holding 6 informative workshops for parents/ guardians. The dates for these are:

- Wed 11th March – What is Autism
- Tue 24th March – Understanding meltdowns
- Wed 22nd April – Structure and routine
- Wed 6th May – Supporting sensory needs
- Wed 10th June – Social understanding
- Wed 8th July – Bedtimes and sleep.

These workshops are open to all parents/ carers who are interested in supporting their children in a variety of ways, including building confidence, resilience and emotional awareness and regulation strategies.

Further reminders will be on the newsletter nearer the time of each workshop.

**Refreshments will be available.
We look forward to seeing you.**

Valentine's Disco

Thursday 12th February 2026

EYFS/KS1: 2.30pm – 3.15pm

Children should be collected from their classrooms

KS2: 3.30pm – 4.15pm

Children should be collected from the Junior Hall

Tickets are available from members of the PTA at £1 per child this includes entry and a drink.

Children may bring a small amount of change for refreshments.

Celebration Assembly

In this week's celebration assembly, we celebrated the achievements of:



Reception

Arlie and Skye

Year One

Ellis and Mabel

Year Two

Antonia and Calan

Year Three

Chantelle and Scarlett

Year Four

Kazim and Malaya

Year Five

Adeline and David

Year Six

Ellie and Nalah-Ama

Children's Mental Health Week

The week commencing 9th February will be the national Children's Mental Health Week. We will be exploring this in our assembly on Monday 9th and through activities, in class, throughout that week.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's mental health, please speak to Mrs Hall or Mrs Nash who will be able to support you. You can also visit

www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk



Lockdown



In the last week of this half-term, we will have a lockdown practice. The children practised these well last year; there will be a reminder session for each class, next week, followed by one lockdown practice in the week beginning 9th February 2026.

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Governors Questionnaire to Parents

	Please Tick One Box							
	Yes	No	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
My child is / children are happy at Woodcock Hill Primary School.								
My child feels/ children feel safe at Woodcock Hill Primary School.								
Has your child / Have your children been bullied at Woodcock Hill Primary School?								
If you answered 'Yes', we ask your view on <i>'When the bullying took place and if the school dealt with it quickly and effectively.'</i>								
Does your child / Do any of your children have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)?								
If you answered 'Yes', we ask your view on <i>'The school gives them the support they need to succeed.'</i>								
Woodcock Hill Primary School communicates well with me about the things I need to know.								
When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly.								
When Woodcock Hill Primary School makes decisions, it is with the child's best interest at heart.								

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	Yes	No	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Woodcock Hill Primary School give my child / children the right support to enable them to learn well.								
Would you recommend this school to other parents?								

Please return your completed questionnaire to **the school office**, your **child's class teacher** or to one of our **Governors**.

Our Governors will be available to discuss your responses with you, and any other issues, at Parents' Evening on 4th February 2026.

Please return your completed questionnaire by 4th February 2026.

**Meet our Governors at
Parents' Evening on
Wednesday 4th February
3.45pm – 5.45 pm**



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