

NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th March 2025

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Wow! What an amazing World Book Day at Woodcock Hill Primary School! The children looked fabulous, and the school did too. Mrs Mills and our PTA did a fantastic job of decorating the school and our kitchen staff put on a huge Mad Hatter's Tea Party. It was such a thrill to see children coming into the school and immediately getting excited at the sight of the dining tables. The staff and I would like to thank you all for making or purchasing costumes for this truly memorable day.

Next week will be Design Technology Week where each class will be set a design and build challenge. Neither the teachers nor children know what they are going to be asked to do. So, Monday will be the day to plan and the rest of the week it will be build, build, build! Don't forget – we still need lots of recycling materials for this activity.

Due to recent staffing changes we have regrettably had to postpone our Year One Class assembly.

Finally, next Friday is a non-uniform fundraising day.

With very best wishes

Mr Higgins



DIARY

w/c 10th March Lunch Menu:
Week Two

10th – 14th March
Design Technology Week

14th March
Non-Uniform Fundraiser

26th March
Year Five Parent Workshop

2nd April
Children and Anxiety Workshop

3rd April
Year Four's Class Assembly

10th April
KS1 Easter Bonnet Assembly with
PTA Cake Stall

11th April
Last Day of Spring Term

28th April
Children return to school
for Summer Term

5th May
Bank Holiday Monday

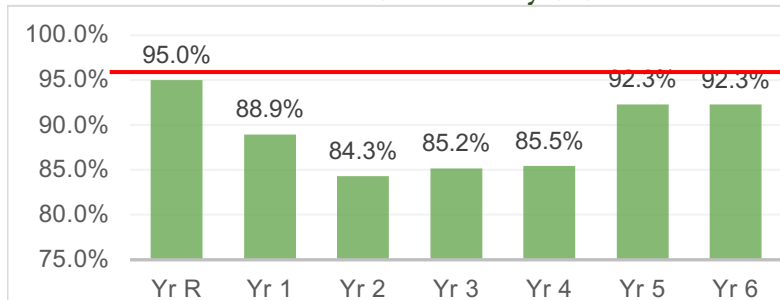
7th May
Children and Anxiety Workshop

8th May
Year Three's Class Assembly

8th May
VE Day Celebrations

Attendance

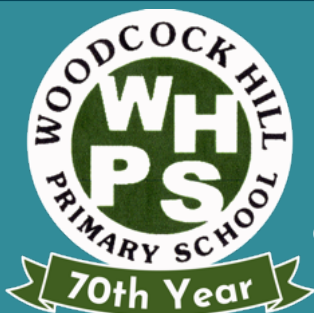
w/c 24th February 2025



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

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

This year's attendance, to date, is **91.7%**



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'We Are Ambitious' Competition Winners

Thank you to everyone who took part in our We Are Ambitious competition. Each winner received a copy of a book about their inspirational celebrity.

Well done, to our winners: Damian, Emma, Iliana, Andreea, Reggie and Taya.



Celebration Assembly

Today in our assembly we celebrated the achievements of:

Reception

Aloniab and Jamie

Year One

Alice and Esmeralda

Year Two

Chantelle and Kassiyah

Year Three

Iliana and Sophie

Year Four

Aidan and Scarlett

Year Five

Kai and Royal-Ivana

Year Six

Affluence and Malachi



An Apology

It is never our intention to force or encourage families to spend money unnecessarily. With this in mind, we realised that our World Book Day letter could have been worded a little more clearly to reflect this. We apologise if we caused any unnecessary expense or confusion about what costumes would be permissible.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who nominated our school with ASDA and Parent Kind. You raised £367.69 for our school funds.

Easter Raffle

Once again this year our PTA will be selling raffle tickets to win an amazing Easter Hamper.

Please look out for our PTA members selling tickets in the coming weeks.

Tickets will be drawn on 10th April at our EYFS and KS1 Easter Assembly.

Lockdown

I am sure you will agree that carrying out a lockdown is something none of us want to do but we all understand that in today's world it is an unwanted necessity. Over the last few weeks, we have worked sensitively with the children to build up to a full lockdown practice. This has meant starting with a hiding game on hearing a short alarm right through to carrying out a practice with the alarm running throughout. We have done it like this to ensure that the needs of our most vulnerable children have been catered for by acclimatizing them to the alarm over a long period of time.

The children have been a credit to every one of you!

We shall now work on publishing an information leaflet for you. Once this has been approved by Governors, it will be sent home for you to keep.



How to be a Rock Star

Please remember to encourage your KS2 children to practice their times tables using our online tool.

Children in KS2 have a login to Times Tables Rock Stars where they can practise their times tables.

Certificates are awarded in our Friday Celebration assemblies.

Our School Values: We are respectful, ambitious, creative, inclusive, independent and we persevere.