

A word from Mrs Milner

Friday 17th September 2021



Dear Parents,

I need to get used to writing to you every week and so I will need to ensure that my message is concise and helpful. I will give it my best.... 😊

How are you? I sincerely hope that life is slowly getting back to some resemblance of normality for everyone, although I am aware that the pandemic is still with us. For us the sense of normality begins with slowly bringing back our enrichment activities which make this school so special and contribute to the overall quality of education. I am, therefore, particularly pleased to see that our **after school clubs** will start again next week. Our staff will also continue to provide a range of **lunchtime clubs**.

It looks like the weather is going to hold tomorrow for our **Fun in the Field Day**. I hope that many of the Woodside families will be able to participate. Thank you to our PTA for organising this event as well as to our staff - Mrs Carver and Mr Appleby in particular. Also tomorrow, Mrs Tandara, supported by Mr Harvey-Mott and Mrs McCarthy will be supporting our pupils at a **cross-country event** at Chenies Manor and I would like to wish all the participants the best of luck.

Our Relationships and Sex Education Policy is on our website. Please familiarise yourself with it as the Policy requires annual parental feedback. Please direct any comments to the office.

Thank you to all parents who support our school by ensuring that children adhere to our **uniform standards**. I hope that you appreciate that school uniform creates identity for the school and is such an important part of being a school pupil. In my humble opinion, the correct school uniform prepares children for when they leave school, so thank you once more.

At this time of the year, most of the schools in the country send a letter asking parents for kind donations to the **School Fund**. We are no different. Your contributions, however large or small, ensure that the school can afford to pay for 'extras' such as last year's science show. Unfortunately schools' budgets are very tight (as always) and the pandemic stopped additional revenue streams for the school. I will, therefore, be very grateful if you could donate to our school fund. Below are the two ways in which you can make a voluntary financial contribution:

- By logging into your Eduspot account and clicking on Voluntary School Fund Payment 2021/2022 (please be aware that you can change the contribution amount).
- Via Standing Order, bank details are Woodside Junior School, Lloyds Bank, Account Number 88369862, Sort Code 77-23-09, please reference SCHFUND 'child's surname'

Finally, 16th September marked the **National Teaching Assistant Day**. I am sure that you agree with me that these members of staff are invaluable to the school and children, providing support, and care as well as their academic expertise. Thank you again for your work and dedication.

I sincerely hope that you will have a lovely weekend. Many thanks once more for all your support for the work that we do here at this school. 😊

Kind Regards,

Dorota Milner

Headteacher

Reminders

School Photos will take place on Wednesday 22nd September 2021. Full uniform is required therefore if it is a PE day for children, children will need to bring in their PE kit into school to change into.

Bags to School Collection will be on 3rd November 2021. If you are having a clear out, please put aside any clothing donations ready for our collection, more details to follow.

Bottle Tops: we are collecting plastic bottle tops, please leave them in the box by the school office.

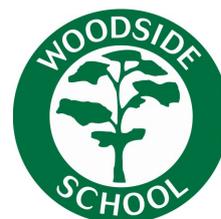
Also included in this issue:

[Links to afterschool clubs here:](#)

[TaeKwon-Do](#)

[Mini Tennis](#)

[First Touch Football](#)



Dates for your diary

[PTA Fun in the Field Day:](#)

18/9/2021

[School Photos:](#)
22/9/2021

[PTA AGM:](#)

12/10/2021 8pm

[Bags to School](#)

[Collection date:](#)

3/11/2021