



Woodside's Half-Term

Newsletter



DECEMBER 2023

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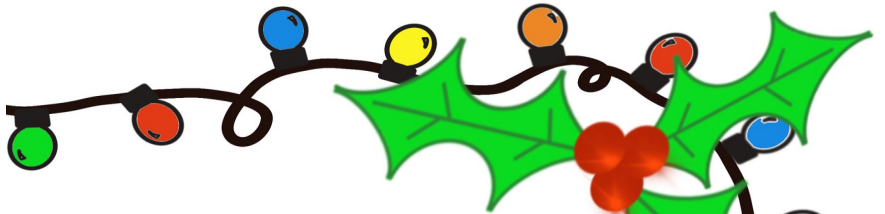
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CHRISTMAS BREAK

We hope that all of our families have a very nice Christmas break, and to all those who celebrate, we wish you a very Happy Christmas!



SPRING TERM AT WOODSIDE

We have a school INSET day on Monday 8th January 2024.

We return for a new term on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

The nursery will be open for day care children **ONLY** from Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

The nursery is closed in line with the school on Monday 8th January 2024.

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NURSERY



A **big thank you** to all of our parents who have supported us by using our **Virtual Office** for absence reporting and medication forms.

It has been a huge success and has supported our office team immensely!

NURSE VISITS

The School health team are providing sessions offering advice and support on a range of topics including: healthy eating, behavioural problems head lice, hygiene & hand washing and oral health, bed wetting, hearing and vision, height & weight management, emotional health, or any other health related concerns you may have regarding your child.

Available to all parents and children on these dates:

26.1.24 9am-10am Bridge Site

23.2.24 9am-10am Forest Site

15.3.24 9am-10am Bridge Site

26.4.24 9am-10am Forest Site

WINTER WEEK ASSEMBLIES

A **big thank you** to **Mr Chakraborty** for organising **Winter Week assemblies** for the children.

During Winter Week, all our children from Years 1-6 took part in our mixed Year group Winter Week Singing assemblies lead by our Music teacher, Mr Chakraborty. Each class got to share the Christmas song they have been practising with classes from other Year groups and spread some festive spirit around the school. The children supported by adults had a lot of fun and sounded great, showing how they can synergise beautifully.



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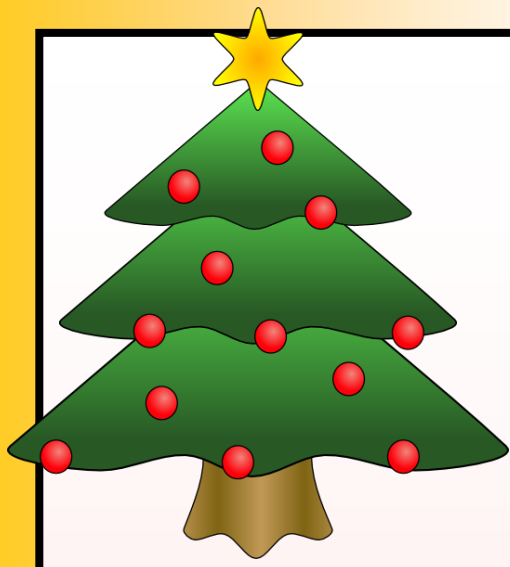
ROCK STEADY™



Last week Woodside children took part in our own Rock Steady concert!
It was great to see the children singing and performing with a range of
instruments to create an amazing sound!

WELL DONE!!





WOODSIDE CHOIR PERFORMANCE ON WOOD STREET

Last Thursday, our Woodside Choir performed a set of Christmas songs by the Christmas tree next to the Wood Street Co-op. The children sang beautifully and the performance had a magical atmosphere with the Christmas tree lights coming on in the middle of a song.

The many parents/ carers, teachers and Woodside children who attended were listening very attentively and supportively, and with some even cheering the choir on from their balconies! As a thank you for their efforts, the Co-op very kindly donated sweets and chocolate to each of the singers. Our Choir represented their school really well and were very happy to share their talents to bring a few smiles to the faces of our local Wood Street community!



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STAFF LEAVERS THIS TERM

We say goodbye to some staff who are leaving us at the end of this term.

Emma Beattie - Year 6 Teacher

Susan Holdstock - Nurture Learning Support Assistant

Saadia Ali - Midday Play Assistant

We wish all of them all the very best for the future, and please stay in touch!



GOODBYE MARIYA

At the end of this term we also say a sad goodbye to Mariya Seymenska, who has been an Early Years Practitioner at Woodside for almost 10 years! Mariya will be relocating to Essex and has a new role as Senior Early Years Practitioner, starting in January.

She has written some words to say farewell...

"Woodside is my home, Woodside is my family!
I will never forget the lovely and kind parents/
carers, colleagues and of course, the beautiful
and clever children!"

You all made me feel happy and welcome and you put a smile on my face every single day. I am very excited and ready for my new chapter in my new role as a Senior Early Years Practitioner!

I wish everyone all the best, lots of happiness, joy and success! I will miss you all! Xx"

We wish Mariya and her family all the best for this exciting new chapter in the new year.



SPARE CLOTHES



We need spare clothes, uniform and underwear in the following sizes, please.

Sizes 8-9, 9-10, 11-12 & 13-14.

Please donate clothes to the school offices.

Thank you.

WOODSIDE FIREWORKS EVENT



We were sad to have to cancel our fireworks event; however, we have rescheduled it for the new year!

The event will now be on

Wednesday 7th February 2024.

More details to follow in January!



SPRING KEY DATES

Here are some key dates for the diary in the Spring 1 term.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Reports for Year 1 to Year 6 will be sent out on
Friday 2nd February 2024.



PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' evening will be on the following dates:

Wednesday 21st February 2024 - Forest Site

Thursday 22nd February 2024 - Bridge Site

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

We would like to say a **BIG WELL DONE** to all families for a huge improvement in attendance this term!

Next term Spring 1, we will be focussing on
improving **PUNCTUALITY!**

We encourage all parents and carers to set a good example by supporting your child to arrive at school on time, and be collected from school on time.

Our Attendance Officers **Ann & Naz** have been working hard to support families to improve their children's attendance and punctuality at school.

We appreciate your support with this and
we are always here to help if you feel
you need it!



REASONS WHY GOOD PUNCTUALITY AT WOODSIDE IS ESSENTIAL...

Your child will not miss vital learning time, especially at the beginning of the day.

It creates good opportunities to achieve more.

If your child is a few minutes late they have missed the opportunity to say hello to and play with friends. They are likely to feel unsettled as they start the morning lessons.

YEAR 3 SNOWFLAKE PORTRAITS

Year 3 have been doing portraits of themselves catching snowflakes.

They are amazing, and here are some examples.



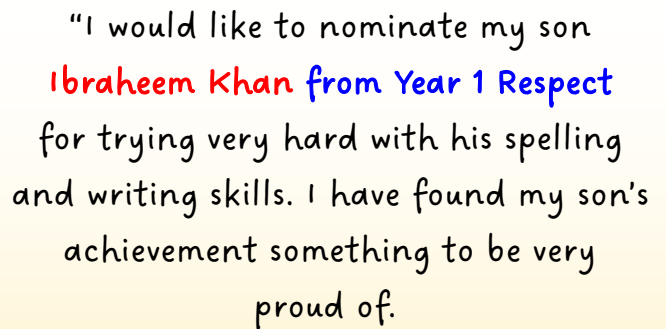
This is **Shanzay Khan** from **3**
Confidence with her portrait!



BRILLIANT Achievements for this half-term!

Please contact:

Tell us their name, class and the personal achievement they have made, as well as some pictures and we will add them to the half-termly newsletter!



I look forward to him getting his achievement certificate to further encourage him in all areas of his learning".

Well done from a proud mum, and everyone at Woodside!



INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Another AMAZING Achievement...



This is Martin Seymenska in Year 2
Independence.

"He was very excited to do his Karate grading and achieved a yellow belt!"

Last weekend was also Martin's birthday and he smashed his face on the birthday cake!!

Martin will be moving to Essex with his family at the end of December, so he will be sadly leaving Woodside! He says that he will miss his friends and teachers a lot, but he will keep in touch!"

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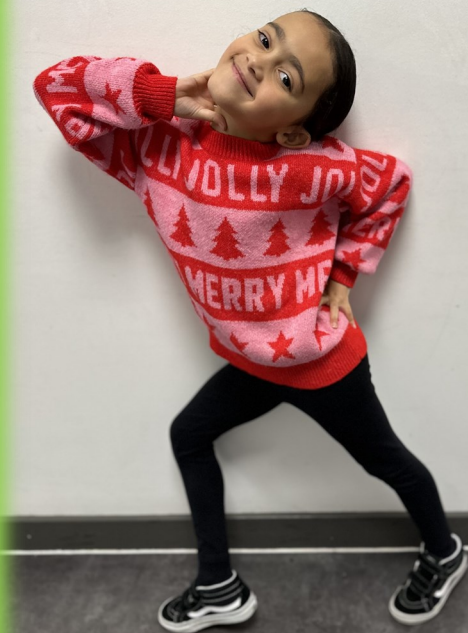
Another BRILLIANT Achievement...



"I'd like to submit an achievement for our daughter, **Noa Gougeon** in **2 Kindness**.

She performed at her drama school's Christmas show this weekend. She was part of a group dance number as well as being selected to sing a solo, which she performed confidently and beautifully. We are super proud of our superstar!"

Well done from proud parents, and everyone at Woodside!



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This is Lacey Mai Neave in 4 Independence

"On Saturday 25th November, Lacey and her cheerleading team travelled to Paris for the 'Future Cheer Europe Competition'.

Lacey is a flyer which means she is lifted into the air by her team mates, they were amazing and came in 1st place.

It would be amazing if she could go into the school newsletter 'Individual Achievement section', we are so very proud of her!".

Well done from a proud mum, and everyone at Woodside!



Please keep sending your child's individual achievements to appear in the half-termly newsletter.



THE MAKING IT MINDFUL

Christmas PARTY

**DISCO, SNOW MACHINE, ENTERTAINERS, GIANT
SLIDE, BOUNCY CASTLES, CRAFTS,
SENSORY PLAY, FACEPAINTING,
GINGERBREAD DECORATION AND
A DESSERT WITH EVERY TICKET.**



**FRIDAY 29TH DECEMBER
11AM - 1.30PM & 3PM 5.30PM
GEORGE MITCHELL SCHOOL
E10 5ND**

**£10 CHILD
£6 ADULT
UNDER 3'S,
FREE**

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**FREE TICKETS FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 - 11 YEARS WHO RECEIVE BENEFIT RELATED FREE
SCHOOL MEALS AND LIVE IN WALTHAM FOREST.**

THE MAKING IT MINDFUL *New years* PARTY

DISCO, SNOW MACHINE,
ENTERTAINERS, GIANT SLIDE,
BOUNCY CASTLES, CRAFTS,
SENSORY PLAY, FACEPAINTING,
SNACK MAKING WORKSHOPS AND A
DESSERT WITH EVERY TICKET.



Thursday 4th January



10.30am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.30pm



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