



Woolston Infant School

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Dates for the Diary

October

- 22nd School photos
- 23rd HET foundation dress down day
- 23rd Year R parent celebration 3.15pm
- 23rd Last day of term
- 26th Half term

November

- 2nd School reopen to all pupils 8.35am
- 11th Flu vaccination
- 26th Year 1 live phonic lesson 9.05am
- 30th Inset Day – No school for pupils

December

- 1st Dance mats activity day
- 1st Year R live phonic lesson 9.05am
- 3rd Year 1 learning showcase 2.30pm
- 4th Year 2 live phonic lesson 9.05am
- 9th Year R nativity 1.45pm
- 10th Year R nativity 9.15am
- 11th Xmas Fayre 4.30-6.30pm
- 15th Year 1 & 2 Xmas Church service 1.45pm
- 16th Year 1 & 2 Xmas Church service 9.30am
- 16th Christmas lunch
- 18th Inset Day – No school for pupils

Headteacher's Message



This week, we had our Harvest assembly in school. We were joined by Miles and Carolyn from St Mark's Church who spoke to the children about Harvest and how it helps others. Working cooperatively with others is something we speak regularly about in school, and it is great to see this happen both in classrooms and in the outside areas.

I would like to say congratulations to Miss Murray, who ran the Great South Run at the weekend. It was not great conditions, but she still managed an impressive time of 1 hour 55 minutes!

As we come to the end of the first half term at school, I would like to say it has been a long but hard-working term for all. I'd like to thank you all for your support in getting children to school every day on time. I hope you enjoy half term with your children next week, and we will be ready to welcome them back on the 2nd November at 8.35am for some more amazing learning experiences.

Stars of the week

Week beginning 12th October

Willow – Maeve
Cedar – Alex
Maple – Huxley
Oak – Ohm
Poplar – Marie
Sycamore – Mariama

After school club – Clementine

If you have changed any of your contact details, particularly your phone numbers, please make sure that the office have your up-to-date information so that we can contact you should your child be unwell

Attendance



Week beginning 12th October

Maple 100%
Oak 99.2%
Poplar 97.6%
Willow 97.3%
Cedar 97.2%
Sycamore 96.8%

Whole school 97.9%
Well done Maple class!



YEAR R PARENT CELEBRATION

Parents are invited to celebrate year R's first half term in school. This celebration will be led by the children, giving parents a guided tour of their school. This will take place on Friday 23rd October between 3.15-4pm. Please enter via the main entrance.

NUMBOTS

We use a platform called Numbots to support the children's fluency in solving maths calculations. This starts in Reception looking at subitising through to multiplication in year 2. Children should now have their logins. Please support their maths learning by engaging in Numbots which is accessible on tablets, laptops and mobile devices.

YEAR R SCHOOL PLACES

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2027?

We are holding an open evening for prospective year R 2027 parents on **Tuesday 10th November at 5pm.**

We also have a number of school in action tours. To find out more, visit our website www.woolstoninfantschool.co.uk or call the office 02380444447.

More information about applying for a Year R school place can be found at www.Southampton.gov.uk

ONLINE SAFETY HUB

We know many of our pupils have a tablet or computer to play games and develop technological skills. All families have access to our [Online Safety Hub](#) which offers advice and guidance on how to ensure pupils are safe while on devices. Advice includes setting parental controls, limiting screen time and using a range of apps and games.

HET FOUNDATION DRESS DOWN DAY

We will be supporting the Hawmic Education Trust (HET) Foundation by holding a non-uniform day on 23rd October. Children can come to school in their own clothes (no costumes) for a small donation of £1.

CHILDREN'S SAFETY

Please can we remind everyone that children should not be using the outside play equipment i.e. the pirate ship and the climbing area outside year 2, before or after school.

Year 2 children should not be on the grass bank, please wait on the path.

It is great to see children scooting and riding their bikes to school. However, please can you ensure they are **not used on the playground.** We do have secure storage for bikes and scooters next to the school office.



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SCHOOL LUNCH

Please encourage your child to have a school lunch. The lunches are funded by the Government for all Infant age children. They are nutritious, delicious and FREE!!

MEDICATION

Any children who has prescribed medication in school, please ensure this is handed to the school office and the appropriate consent forms completed. This includes any inhalers or EpiPens.

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

In order for all children to make the best possible progress socially, emotionally and academically, please ensure they are in school every day and arrive on time. You will find more information about attendance on our website.

YEAR R PHOTOS IN THE DAILY ECHO

Willow and Cedar will have their class photos in The Daily Echo on the 13th November.

Gentle Reminders



- ***Please remember that you must inform us if your child is unwell and is unable to attend school.*** Please contact us before 9.20 a.m. You can phone on **02380 444447** or email us at info@woolstoninfantschool.co.uk
If you don't contact us this is classed as an unauthorised absence
- Please inform the school office if you have any change of details, including change of address or phone numbers. It is vital we have up to date information on our system in case of an emergency.
- Aggressive or foul language will not be tolerated on the school site.



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