



WOODSIDE NEWS



December 2024



Fundraising

With your help we raised a total of £863.33 that went to Children in Need.

£427 for wreath making and £374 for the advent calendar raffle.

Book Fair

Each class selected their own new books to buy for the school with the money that was raised from our recent book fair. We hope they enjoy reading them.

Christmas Bazaar

Big thank you to all who attended and donated to the bazaar, we raised a massive £2485 which will go towards enhancing the children's learning and enjoyment of school.

After School Club

Please be reminded our After School Club will be closing at 4.30pm on Friday 20th December.

KS2 Carol Service Wednesday 11th December

KS2 will be holding a Carol Service on Wednesday. Instead of the usual service at St Mary's Church we will be holding it in school with Reverend Kate. Wilkinson & Holmes 9.15am Moore & Redgrave 2.00pm

Choir performing at the O2

We will be collecting donations of loose change after the Carol Service. We would be grateful for any donations, as it will go towards the coach taking the choir to the O2.

Christmas Disco

Our Xmas Disco will be on Wednesday the 18th December, Infants 4.45pm -6.00pm and Junior 6.30pm -7.45pm. £5 each (includes hot dog & drink). Tickets can be purchased via Parentmail.

Carol Singing in December

R to Y6 all have a day to sing carols outside the front of the school from 3.00pm -3.20pm:

R-Monday 9th Y2– Tuesday 10th Y1– Thursday 12th Y6-Monday 16th
Y5– Tuesday 17th Y3- Wednesday 18th Y4-Thursday 19th

Infant Nativities in December

Each class will present a nativity with carols:

Y2—Monday 16th 2B-9.30am 2E-11.00am 2W- 2.30pm

Reception -Tuesday 17th RB-9.30am RM-11.00am RE-2.30pm

Nursery-Weds 18th 10.45am and 2.00pm

Y1—Thursday 19th 1S-9.30am 1P-11.00am 1K-2.30pm

Christmas Dinner

We will be having our traditional Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 18th, we shall cook lunch for every child, please tell the office if your child doesn't want it or is a vegetarian. Children can wear Xmas jumpers or party wear on this day.

Xmas Parties Friday 20th December

Christmas parties are in the afternoon on the last day of term. After consideration, we are asking parents if they can donate food for the event. Any unused items will be donated to the local food bank. Children can wear Xmas jumpers or party clothes.

School Attendance

Please remember that regular and punctual attenders make better progress, both socially and academically.

Admissions

Reception admissions opened on the 1st November and the deadline for applying is the 15th January. Nursery applications close on 7th February.

Spare time? Come and support teachers

We'd love to have adult helpers come in, be that Mums, Dads, Nans or Grandads, it may not be in your child's class, but help is greatly appreciated. Please speak to your class teacher.

Parking

We are in need of a new double demountable, but this won't be agreed unless parents park with consideration for the neighbours.

Parking Safety Signs

Thank you to Griffin Estate Agents for sponsoring our new safety signs outside the school, we hope this encourages drivers to park safely and considerately.

Creche

We run a free creche for parents meetings, carol services, Harvest Festivals, Assemblies and Concerts as babies and toddlers are not admitted to the performances.

Collection Times

As we are nearing the Xmas holidays, please ensure that you are collecting your children on time and giving yourself plenty of time as the roads are busier at this time of year.

Dates for your diary

December

Monday 9th	Reception singing carols outside
Tuesday 10th	RB visit to Thameside Nature Park Y2 singing carols outside
Wednesday 11th	Y6 visit to Thames park Panto KS2 Carol Service Choir singing at Nursing home
Thursday 12th	Y1 singing carols outside 5G Visit to Southend Planetarium
Friday 13th	5J Visit to Southend Planetarium
Monday 16th	Y2 Christmas Performance Y6 singing carols outside
Tuesday 17th	Reception Christmas Performance Y5 singing carols outside
Wednesday 18th	Nursery Christmas Performance Y3 singing carols outside Christmas Dinner Christmas Disco
Thursday 19th	Y1 Christmas Performance Y4 singing carols outside
Friday 20th	Class Parties Last day of Autumn Term After School Club closes at 4.30pm

Christmas Holiday Saturday 21st December to Sunday 5th January

January 2025

Monday 6th	First day of Spring Term
Wednesday 15th	Reception Admissions deadline
Thursday 23rd	Choir performing at the O2
Tuesday 28th	1K Assembly

February 2025

Tuesday 4th	3C Assembly
Friday 7th	Nursery Admissions deadline
Tuesday 11th	2B Assembly

Half Term Saturday 15th February to Sunday 23rd February 2025

Easter Holidays Saturday 5th April to Monday 21st April 2025

Half Term Saturday 24th May to Sunday 8th June 2025

Summer Holidays Thursday 24th July to Tuesday 2nd September 2025