

Woodlands Bulletin

Week beginning 3 3 25

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thank you for taking time to read this bulletin. It will be shared every two weeks (term time only).

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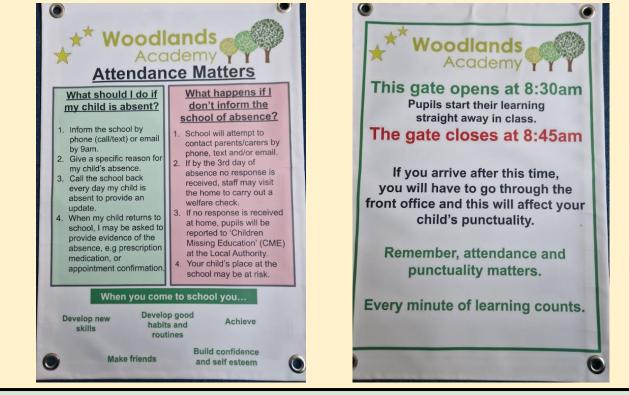
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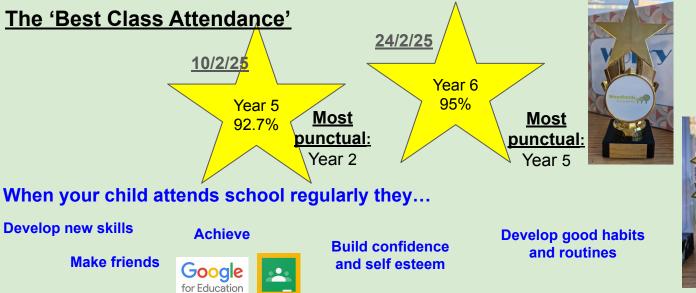


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Attendance Matters

Thank you for your continued support around Attendance. This week we have put up some reminder posters on the playground gates. Please look out for the key messages. Remember that the gate closes at 8:45am. Being on time to school has positive outcomes for children's learning. Well done to Year 6 for attending everyday on time for their Mock SATS last week. Positive attendance patterns has a positive impact on progress and attainment in all areas of the curriculum.







Safeguarding Spotlight

Be Safe Online

In the wake of Safer Internet Day in February, the messages about staying safe online need to continue throughout the year. Therefore, it is important to have open conversations with your children about how to stay safe online in order to protect them from harm. The NSPCC have released a podcast for parents on this topic which gives an insight into children's perspective on online safety. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o59t6u3NQZ8</u>

Here is an issue for parents/carers to be aware of:

Child Criminal Exploitation

Child criminal exploitation is a form of child abuse where a child or young person is forced or coerced to engage in criminal activity or commit any type of crime. (NSPCC definition). This can happen online and over weeks, months or even years. Over time, gang members aim to target, control and manipulate young children to get involved in criminal activity which they would not have become involved with before.

This can include:

- 'county lines' where children are coerced and exploited to move or store drugs/ money.
- carrying weapons
- shoplifting/stealing

Criminal exploitation can be done alongside financial exploitation, where children can be manipulated/ blackmailed to do something that the member/group wants them to do and if they do not do it this can have financial consequences. Gang members often recruit young children online by starting conversations with them and offering them friendship at first, trying to gain their trust and commitment. This process is known as <u>'Grooming'</u>.

If you are concerned about your child and think they may have been/are being manipulated online by others, please seek support and report it. Call 999 if they are in immediate danger, call NSPCC for help on 0808 800 5000 or report it to us at school.

Click here for more information from NSPCC.



Dates for your diary

Eid Mubarak to our families who are fasting for Ramadan. Thursday 6th March 2025- World Book Day (dress up as a book character) Wednesday 19th March- Year 1/2 Shakespeare workshop in school (please pay on the app) Monday 24th March 2025- School Council London Westminster Abbey trip Wednesday 26th March 2025- Year 3/4 poetry performance to parents- details coming soon. All upcoming dates can be seen in our school website calendar Mext bulletin: Monday 17th March 2025