



Woodhouse Academy

Shaping Futures Together.

Newsletter 21st
March 2025



Diary Dates for Parents Spring Term 2025

Tuesday 25th March 2025:
Year 6 Height and Weight Measurements

Friday 28 March 2025: *Non Uniform Day—£1 Donations for Caudwell Children*

Tuesday 8 April 2025: *KS2 Rewards (Invite Only)*

Thursday 10th April 2025:
KS3 Rewards (Invite Only)

Friday 11th April 2025:
School closes for Easter at 3.35pm

Hello everyone and what a lovely end to the week with the sunshine!

- Whole-school assembly: On Monday, we went over our fire alarm and lockdown procedures with the students and then carried out a test during reading time. As always, the students and staff were brilliant and followed all our instructions to the letter. A big well done there as this is a really important test of our processes and to see if they work.
- Inspire Dance: Our wonderful students, who were part of the Inspire Dance at Biddulph High School, donned their gear with a practice on Monday and the actual event on Tuesday evening. I go every year as really enjoy watching them but was not able to attend this time. However, Mrs Bowers and Mr Baddeley informed me they were incredible. A HUGE shout out to all our participants and to these two staff for arranging this.
- Year 8 Parents' Evening: This was a busy evening for all but we had some super comments back. It will be the last one for some of our parents so a big thanks to all of you for attending and supporting the school.
- Fidget toys: We are seeing an increasing number of these being brought into school. They are only to be used by certain students who will already have been told that they can as a support - they must be ones that are not distracting and discrete. Please can we ask that other students do not come in with these.
- Football: Our number of our pupils took part in a match on Wednesday after school and played brilliantly with a win!! Great work all of you.
- Robotics: As you know, we have a robotics club for our year 8s and they took part in the regional tournament on Thursday at St Margaret Ward School. This has taken real time, effort and skill so a massive well done to all of you for being so fabulous. A big thanks to Mr Challinor, Mr Reynolds and Mr Sumner who have worked with them each Wednesday after school and accompanied them on the trip.
- Red Nose Day: A sea of red coloured the school on Friday for our non-uniform day in aid of Comic Relief. Thanks to all as this is such a worthwhile cause. We have another one next Friday to raise money for the Cauldwell Children's Charity.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Farr



REMINDERS FOR PARENTS:

ABSENCES: Can all absences, including a reason for the absence, please be reported by 9am on each day via Arbor. Thank you.

SCHOOL MEALS: Please note school meals are NO longer booked via Arbor. These will now be ordered daily by students in form time.

ARBOR PARENT PORTAL: Don't forget you can check; homework, housepoints, trips, consents and many more via the portal. If you have any questions or problems with Arbor please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

FOR INFORMATION:

WEEK A: 13/01/25, 27/01/25, 10/02/25, 03/03/25, 17/03/25, 31/03/25

WEEK B: 06/01/25, 20/01/25, 03/02/25, 24/02/25, 15/03/25, 24/03/25, 07/04/25

FAQ

What can I log myself on Arbor?

Please log all absences on Arbor, these will then be processed in school. Any medical or contact detail updates should also be done through Arbor. If you would like to view an attendance certificate this can be done on Arbor via a browser and a pdf of the certificate can be downloaded in the 'absence by date' area.

What clubs are available and when/how can my child sign up?

The list of clubs will be made available on the school website under 'parent information' and included in the school newsletter once they are launched. For any clubs with a sign-up policy, students will do this in school. Parents can't attend school to 'watch' any clubs. However, they are more than welcome to attend fixtures that take place after school. Most after school clubs run from 3:45 - 4:35 (unless notified otherwise).

How do I know if my child has a fixture?

If your child has been selected for a fixture they will be notified in school and you will be contacted separately via email. Please ensure that you collect your child promptly at the end of the fixture (if they are not making their own way home).

Can I park on the school car park?

Please don't use our school car park to park on at any time. However, if you are collecting a child (during the school day) for a medical appointment then it is okay to come onto the car park.

Where do I find a list of school policies?

All school policies, including how we deal with complaints, can be found on the school website ([Woodhouse Academy: School Policies](#)).

EASYFUNDRAISING

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! This means you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying.

If you haven't signed up to support us yet, it's easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started!

You can find our easyfundraising page here: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/woodhousemiddle/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-en-e2

NHS SCHOOL NURSE DETAILS

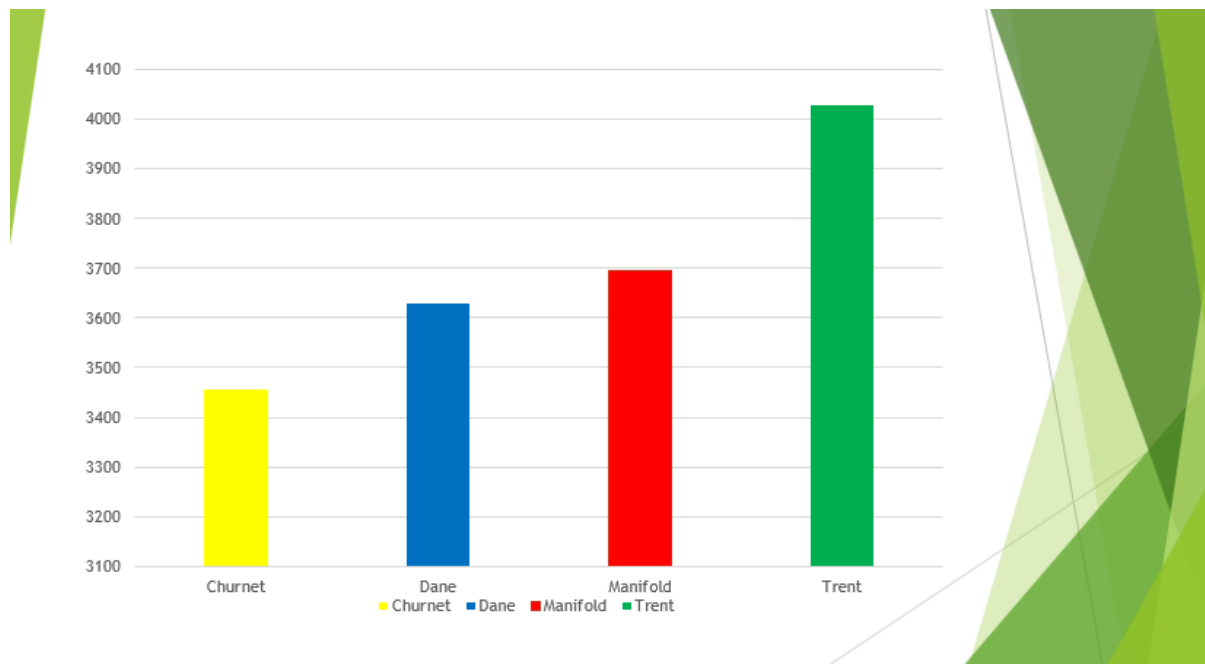
Please see links below for the School Nurse website;

<https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing/staffordshire-clinics/drop-schedule-5-19>

[Health Visiting and School Nursing :: Midlands Partnership Foundation Trust \(mpft.nhs.uk\)](#)

From the Staff

HousePoints



TOP POINTS THIS YEAR

1. Evalyn C (163)
2. Lyra W (135)
3. Emma J (124)
4. James B (116)
5. Ruby H (105)
6. Sophia T (103)
7. Tilly B (102)
8. Abi F (100)
9. Martha S (92)
10. Amber B (91)
11. Ellie S (87)
12. Jamie B (85)
13. Lily J (85)

TOP POINTS THIS WEEK

1. Martha T (7)
2. Josh MB (6)
3. Albert T (6)
4. Dylan L (6)
5. Jessica S (5)
6. Hadyn S (5)
7. Aiden H (5)
8. Libby C (5)
9. Zachery W (5)
10. Blossom H (5)
11. Eva W (5)

Inspire Dance 2025



A massive well done to all of our inspire dancers. All the hard work you put into rehearsals paid off as your performances were exceptional.



Woodhouse Wall of Fame!



Miley A attended Calling U Out Street Dance competition on Sunday and her team placed 3rd, followed by her duo placing 1st in the Under 14s category.

Well Done Miley!

'Congratulations to Erin J on an outstanding performance in the Defy Gravity Drama Spring Showcase!'



Autumn Term 2024 – Lunchtime Menu week 1



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Mac N Cheese (V) Or Breaded Chicken Burger	Main Meal Chilli Chicken with Noodles or Pork Hotdog / Quorn Dog (V)	Main Meal Homemade Beef Bolognaise Pasta Bake Or Quorn Bolognaise (V)	Main Meal Roast Turkey with Stuffing or Roast Quorn Fillet (V)	Main Meal Breaded Salmon Fishcake or Vegetable Samosa Roll (V)
Cheese & Tomato Baguette (V) or Veggie Bites in Sweet Chilli Sauce in a Baguette (V)	Meatball Wrap Or Veggie Meatball Wrap (V)	BBQ Chicken Baguette or BBQ Veggie Nuggets (V)	Assorted Homemade Pizza or Assorted Homemade Pizza (V)	Cheeseburger Or Veggie Burger (V)
Garlic Bread, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Curly Fries, Corn on the cob, Beans or Mixed Salad	Garlic Bread, Pasta, seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Creamed Potatoes, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Veg and Beans	Chips, Curry Sauce, Steamed Garden Peas, Beans or Mixed Salad
Desserts Assorted Cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.

FRESH FRUIT, YOGHURTS, FRESHLY MADE SANDWICHES, JACKET POTATOES WITH A CHOICE OF FILLINGS ARE AVAILABLE DAILY.

(V) = Vegetarian option *All menus are subject to change*



Autumn Term 2024 – Lunchtime Menu week 2



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Italian Chicken Pasta Or Cheese and Potato Pie (V)	Main Meal Beef Burger Or Veggie Burger (V)	Main Meal Italian Meatballs or Veggie Meatballs in a Homemade Tomato sauce (V)	Main Meal Chicken Tikka Curry or Vegetable Tikka Curry (V)	Main Meal Baked Battered Cod Goujons or Vegetable fingers (V)
Chicago Town Pepperoni Pizza or Chicago Town Cheese Pizza (V)	Ham and Savoury Rice Burrito or Vegetable Burrito of the day (V)	Buttermilk Chicken Wrap or Quorn Nugget Wrap (V)	Sausage Baguette or Cheese and Onion Pasty (V)	Sausage Roll Or Veggie Sausage Roll (V)
Seasoned Potato Wedges, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Herby Diced Potatoes Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Garlic Bread, Pasta, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Coriander Rice & Pitta bread. Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Chips, Curry Sauce, Steamed Garden Peas, Beans or Mixed Salad
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Autumn Term 2024 – Lunchtime Menu week 3



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Chinese Chicken Curry Or Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake (V)	Main Meal Hunters Chicken Or Homemade Quorn Lasagne (V)	Main Meal Sausage, Mash with Yorkshire Pudding or Veggie Sausage, With Mash and Yorkshire Pudding (V)	Main Meal Chicken Korma or Quorn and Vegetable Korma (V)	Main Meal Crispy Coated Fish Cakes or Cheese Whirl (V)
Ham and Cheese Quesadilla or Vegetable Samosa with Yoghurt mint dip (V)	Brunch Wrap Or Veggie Brunch Wrap (V)	Fish finger Baguette or Crispy Veggie Baguette with Sweet Chilli (V)	Chicken goujon Burger or Vegetable burger (V)	Assorted Homemade Pizza or Assorted Veggie Pizza (V)
Garlic Bread, Rice, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Seasoned Potato wedges, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Creamed Potatoes, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Garlic and Coriander Naan Bread, Basmati Rice, Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Chips, steamed Graden Peas, Beans or mixed salad
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New service - starting Monday 10th
February



grab & go



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicago Town Cheese Pizza (V)	Spicy Chicken Pizzini	Cheese and Tomato Pizzini (V)	Spicy Chicken Pizzini	Chicago Town Pepperoni Pizza
Italian Meatball Pasta Pot	Tomato and Basil Pasta Pot (V)	Sausage Pasta Pot	Italian Chicken Pasta Pot	Chicken Curry Chip Pot
Assorted Baguettes	Assorted Baguettes	Assorted Baguettes	Assorted Baguettes	Assorted Baguettes



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FULL MENU ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY, PLEASE SEE WEEKS 1, 2 & 3



MOTHER'S DAY

GIFT STORE

OPEN LUNCHTIME IN THE FOYER
Monday 24th March & Tuesday 25th March



LOTS OF GIFTS ON SALE
Don't forget to bring your money!



School Stationery Store

Open every Monday at lunchtime

Large Pritt stick	<u>Only £1</u>
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Purple pen	10p
Pencil	10p
Ruler	25p
Rubber	40p
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