



Woodhouse Academy

Shaping Futures Together.

Newsletter 4th
April 2025



Diary Dates for Parents Spring Term 2025

Tuesday 8th April 2025:
KS2 Rewards afternoon

Wednesday 9th April: KS2
Rewards Assembly (Invite
Only)

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

Thursday 10th April 2025:
KS3 Rewards afternoon

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

Hello everyone, it's finally beginning to feel as though spring has sprung!

- Whole-school assembly: Miss Parks delivered an inspiring assembly celebrating World Poetry Day. She talked about how writing poems could allow us to share our thoughts and feelings, and discussed various poem styles. There were five very brave students who took to the microphone to share the poems they had been creating in class and at home- what fantastic role models! Well done, Jamie, Martha, Freddie, Phoebe and Connor.
- KS2 football tournament: A huge congratulations to our KS2 football teams for their brilliant performance in yesterday's fixture. The teams showed incredible determination, representing Woodhouse with pride both on and off the pitch. Both teams secured victories against James Bateman and St Edwards, and played to a draw with Churnet View. Well done to all players for their hard work and sportsmanship!
- KS2 netball tournament: Some more massive sporting successes this week with two netball events, a middle school competition at James Bateman and a School Games tournament at Fenton Manor. The girls did a wonderful job and won lots of their games against some very strong competition- a fantastic achievement! See more information about this later in the newsletter. A big thank you to Mrs Bowers for giving the girls this opportunity.
- Year 8 DT project: Year 8 have now finished designing and building their dragster cars. The students used their imagination to create a dragster that is both quick and aesthetically pleasing. This week they have been racing the dragsters in form groups and next week the winners will go against each other in a 'race off'. The winning team will get points for their represented house. Look out for the photos and winners of the competition in next week's newsletter!
- Bake sale: A group of our budding scientists held a bake sale on Wednesday to raise money for our STEM club. They raised £128 which will be used to provide even more science enrichment opportunities, such as buying materials for the year 7 'Race to the Line' challenge, which is a national competition to design the fastest rocket car.
- Next week: As we welcome the last week of the spring term, our pupils have lots to look forward to. On Wednesday and Thursday morning we are excited to hold our celebration assemblies, recognising the achievements of all students during the spring term, and we eagerly anticipate the announcement of this term's 'consideration' value winners. We will also be hosting our reward afternoons to recognise and celebrate the continued efforts of our pupils.

Have a lovely weekend,

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

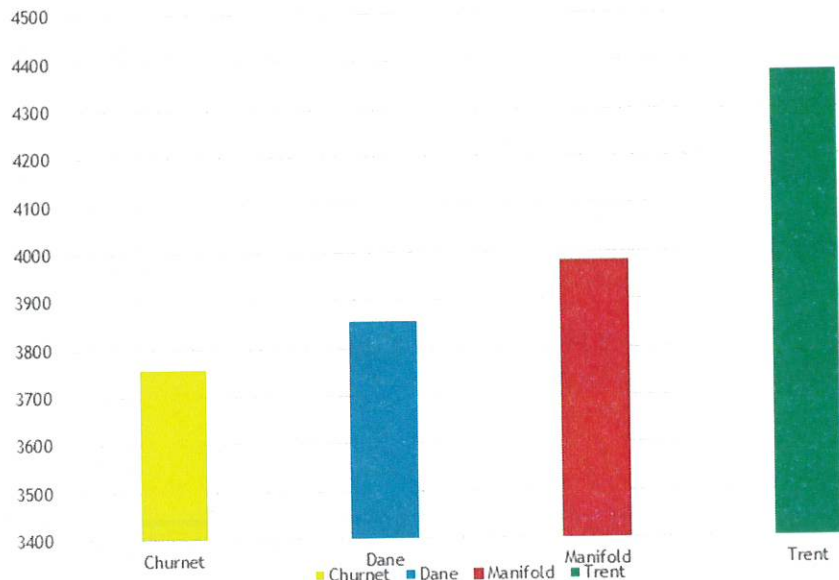
Please see links below for the School Nurse website;

<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 (166)
2. Lyra W (141)
3. Emma J (127)
4. Sophia T (120)
5. James B (118)
6. Ruby H (117)
7. Abi F (112)
8. Tilly B (110)
9. Martha S (102)
10. Amber B (95)
11. Jamie B (92)
12. Ellie S (91)
13. Lily J (90)

TOP POINTS THIS WEEK

1. Ruby H (9)
2. Tilly B (7)
3. Oliver H (6)
4. Lyra W (6)
5. Riley B (5)
6. Owen A (5)
7. Martha S (5)
8. Dillon F (5)
9. Sofia B (5)

From the Staff

Shout outs!

- ♦ A couple of weeks ago, Mrs. Robinson visited Kingsfield and Knypersley First Schools to showcase some exciting science experiments to Year 3 and 4 students. The children had a fantastic time, thoroughly enjoying her demonstrations and getting hands-on with the experiments themselves. They haven't stopped talking about it since!
- ♦ A big thank you to everyone who supported the Science Club's bake sale on Wednesday! The kids had a great time baking, and your generosity will help raise funds for new equipment for the club. We truly appreciate your support!
- ♦ Well done to Elsie J, Emily S and Holly R for their grade 8 in the last science test on Cells and Chemical reactions.

This week has seen a wonderful display of netball from our KS2 girl's teams.

On Tuesday we took 2 teams to a middle school's competition held at James Bateman. For all the girls it was their very first competitive matches; they were so excited to play after working hard at the weekly practices after school. Both teams managed to win 4 games in total; a fantastic result!

On Thursday we played in the School Games tournament at Fenton Manor. Here we got the opportunity to play against a range of local middle and primary schools from across the Staffordshire Moorlands. The standard was very high but our girls rose to the challenge. Our green team showed fantastic resilience to score 2 amazing goals against tough opposition. Our black team won all 4 games in their league, the highlight a 9-1 victory of James Bateman. This resulted in the team going through to the final. We played St Filomenas in the final and although we didn't win the girls did themselves proud and showed a great team spirit to finish Runners Up of the tournament. This now means that Woodhouse go through to the COUNTY FINALS!!!

A big thank you from Mrs Bowers to all the girls that played across the 2 competitions and especially Connie and Indie for being super captains. You all showed passion, determination, sportsmanship and represented the school with pride!



From the Staff

5M went outside during science on Tuesday to see how different floor surfaces affected the friction they felt when they were moving around the school.



On Friday, Evalyn and Sophia in year 8 accompanied Mrs Farr and Mrs Whitehurst to the Middle School Spelling Bee in Stone. This is a completely new event and 8 schools took part in the competition. There were three rounds and I think some adults would have struggled with some of the spellings! Our students were fabulous and we were so proud of them. Well done both of you.

'The Right People'

Finding the right people is harder than it may look.

Finding the right people, this is not like a fantasy book.

Leaving a friend and being left, it's similar to a never-ending chain.

Friends being taken away, almost like theft, who's going to come to me when I am alone in the rain?

Drifting away so there is less pain, is there anyone there who can join me walking in the rain?

Trying to see into the future, will I become friends with him or her?

I get here and I feel like a magnet, this support, would I manage without it?

Getting adjusted to all the different groups, finding the right people feels like jumping through hoops.

I find the right people, could I now fill in those fantasy books?

I found the right people. Finally at last.

Now I can forget about the troublesome past.

Written and performed by Jamie B (year 8) in our Whole School Assembly

Woodhouse Wall of Fame!



Martha attends The Hammond school each Sunday for part time training in Musical Theatre. She performed in her end of term showcase last week.

We are very proud of her!

On Saturday morning Poppy managed to view the

partial solar eclipse!

Poppy's mum made a pin-hole camera and they viewed it through the reflection in our glass table (whilst wearing many pairs of sunglasses for safety!)

It's a shame that we couldn't photograph the results - but seeing the sun with a 'bite' taken out of it was cool!



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
Desserts Assorted cold desserts.	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.

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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
Desserts Assorted cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts	Desserts Assorted Cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts	Desserts Assorted cold desserts.

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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



Menu Thursday 10th April 2025

Roast Turkey / Roast Quorn
Dinner served with creamed
Potatoes, Roast Potatoes, Sage &
Onion Stuffing, Steamed
Vegetables & Gravy

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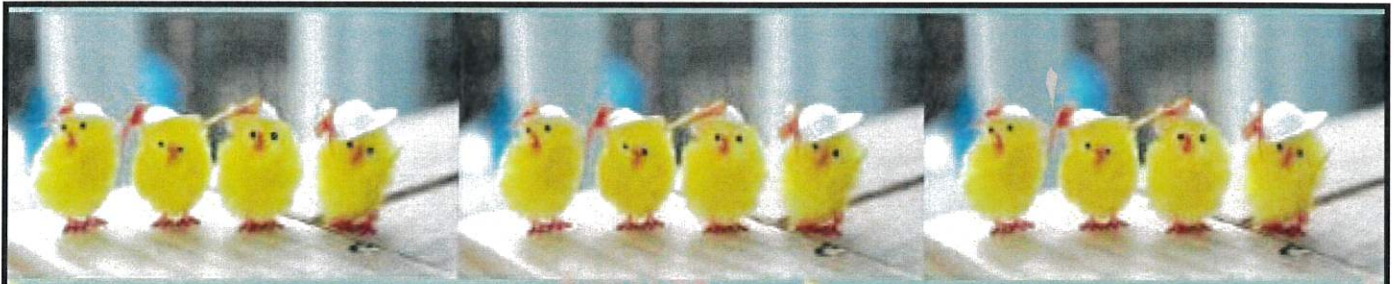
Spring Onion Cheese Whirls
served with Roast Potatoes &
Baked Beans

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Easter Cupcakes or Easter Nests



Happy
EASTER



EASTER GIFT STALL

In the foyer at lunchtime on

**Monday 7th April &
Tuesday 8th April**

> DON'T FORGET YOUR MONEY <



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School Stationery Store

Open every Monday at lunchtime

Large Pritt stick	<u>Only £1</u>
Pencil case	80p
Black pen	10p
Purple pen	10p
Pencil	10p
Ruler	25p
Rubber	40p
Bookmark	from 10p
Hair bobble	10p
Science goggles	75p
Reading books	50p and £1
Keychain extender	£1.50
Purses and wallets	from 50p
Notebooks	50p

Plus lots more for sale....

From Monday 31 March 2025 all workplaces and schools in England have a legal duty to present the following wastes separately.

- Dry recyclable materials – Clean plastic, metal, glass, paper and card
- Food waste
- Black bin waste (residual waste – non recyclable)

FOOD WASTE ONLY



DRY MIXED RECYCLING ONLY



General Waste



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Easter Timetable

all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long
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Facing Defiance	7 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	8 April 10am
Understanding Anger	8 April 7PM
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm
What is ACT	15 April 10am
Introduction to OCD	15 April 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	22 April 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	22 April 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	24 April 7pm
Improving Family Communication	28 April 10am
Autism Improving Communication	28 April 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	29 April 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	29 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	6 May 7pm

parents/carers of children aged 0-19 who live in Staffordshire.

Get advice from our Public Health nurses (Health Visitors and School Nurses).

TEXT: 07520 615722



Feeding and
nutrition



Child
development



Parenting advice
and support



Emotional health
and wellbeing



Behaviour
difficulties



Family
health

We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between 9am and 5pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To prevent the health visitor from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.