



Woodhouse Academy

Shaping Futures Together.

Newsletter 9th
May 2025



Diary Dates for Parents Summer Term 2025

**Monday 12th May 2025—
Year Y8 Italy Trip**

**Monday 12th May 2025—
Y6 SATs week**

**Wednesday 21st May
2025— KS2 Rewards
Assembly (invite only)**

**Thursday 22nd May
2025—KS3 Rewards As-
sembly (invite only)**

**Friday 23rd May 2025—
Y8 HPV Vaccinations**

**Friday 23rd May 2025—
School closes at 3.35pm
for half term**

**Monday 2nd June 2025—
INSET Day - school
closed to pupils**

Hello everyone and I hope you have all had a good week.

We have had a very busy week in school again...

- Whole-school assembly: Following on from our brilliant year 8 'Dragon's Den' event, Dr Kelly talked to the whole school about how this works and what they can look forward to when they are in year 8.
- Community projects: These are going really well with nearly all our forms completing theirs. Our most recent one was 7S who dressed up, baked and raised over £430 for Birmingham Children's Hospital. Fantastic!
- Football: On Tuesday after school, our year 7 and 8 teams played brilliantly, with one of the teams winning 3-0 against St Edwards Middle School. Well done to everyone that took part.
- Maths Carousel: Our year 6 pupils have been working so hard in preparation for their SATs and they stepped it up again on Wednesday with a full day of maths, ending with a treasure hunt. We are all very proud of you and how much effort you are putting into these so well done all of you and good luck for next week - you will be great.
- VE Day: Such an important day to remember and celebrate. Our students had a two-minute silence and a short talk about this on Thursday.
- BHS visits: As part of our transition programme, form 8C visited Biddulph High School on Wednesday and felt it was really useful to help them prepare for their next step in September. Reports are that you were super so well done 8C and a big thanks to Mrs Bowers for organising this.
- Newcastle College: Were in on Friday morning to speak to our year 8 students about opportunities beyond year 11. A really useful talk that may encourage some of our pupils to seek alternative pathways in education.
- Girls In Digital Futures: Mrs Sullivan took a group of students to Staffordshire University on Thursday as part of a programme to promote females looking into the world of STEM. Many thanks to Mrs Sullivan for arranging this and the students who participated were brilliant.
- Uniform: Please can we ask that school uniform is labelled as this helps when students are trying to locate something they have misplaced, especially ties.

And we have another busy week next week with a number of our year 8s off to Italy with Mr Baddeley and Mrs Hirst, as well as SATs of course. Take care all of you.

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.

SCHOOL CAR PARK: To ensure the safety of pupils, can you please ensure that you do not use the school carpark for drop off and collection of pupils unless you have prior permission from the school office. Thank you.

FOR INFORMATION:

WEEK A: 28/04/25, 12/05/25, 02/06/25, 16/06/25, 30/06/25, 14/07/25

WEEK B: 05/05/25, 19/05/25, 09/06/25, 23/06/25 07/07/25

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

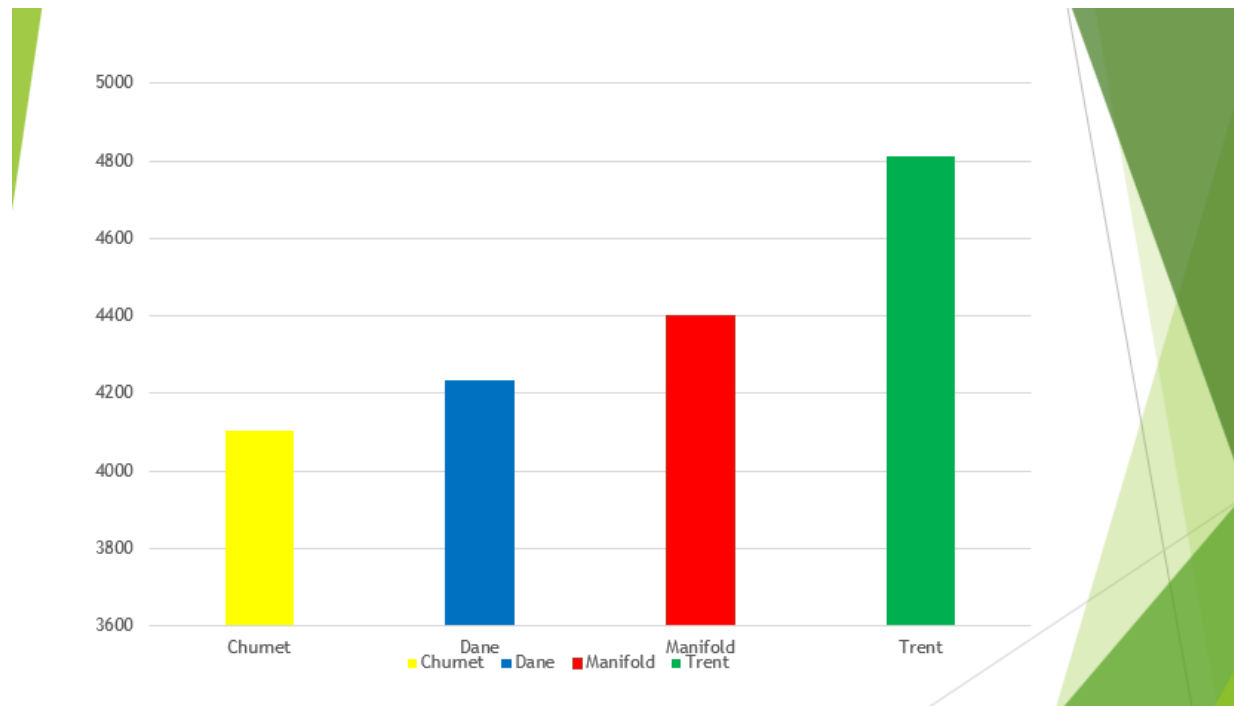
Please see links below for the School Nurse website;

<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 (179)
2. Lyra W (170)
3. Emma J (138)
4. Ruby H (128)
5. Sophia T (126)
6. Tilly B (123)
7. James B (120)
8. Abi F (118)
9. Ellie S (109)
10. Martha S (107)
11. Amber B (105)
12. Jamie B (104)

TOP POINTS THIS WEEK

1. Elijah H-F (12)
2. Ellie K (12)
3. Jay M (12)
4. Lucie L (7)
5. Ellie S (7)
6. Daisy R (7)
7. Sean G (7)
8. Leia B (6)
9. Felicity S (6)
10. Noa P (6)
11. Jackson B (6)

From the Staff

A huge well done to the Y7 and Y8 football teams. They played St Edwards last night with both schools coming into the game undefeated. Year 7 cruised into a 3-0 lead at half time but a spirited St Edwards saw them claw 2 goals back. Fortunately Woodhouse were able to keep their composure to see the game out and win 3-2. Year 8 went into half time 2-0 up in what was a very close game. St Edwards managed to grab a goal back in the last minute of the game but it was too late and Woodhouse emerged victorious with a 2-1 win.

The results mean that Woodhouse, unlike Port Vale, have finished at the top of their respective league and will now go through into play-off finals. A big well done team. Mr Baddeley would like to thank all the parents that have supported the team throughout the season, especially those that have helped him manage both teams whilst they have played. Without you guys, his job would be a lot harder!

On Thursday ten of our Year 8 students attended the "Girls in Digital Futures Event" held on the Staffordshire University site in Stoke-on-Trent. It was the first time this event had been held and the girls demonstrated resilience and did manage to gain some good experiences from the day. They were able to explore parts of the Science building and the new Catalyst Building and see the state of the art facilities offered to students at Staffordshire university. The girls were able to speak to a few women in the "digital industry" to ask them about their job roles and what they do. The girls also had the opportunity to come up with a unique use of AI for a Phone App, and then present their idea to a small panel in a "Dragon's Den" style boardroom. They came up with a smashing idea "Petchat" - an app that allowed owners to understand how their pet is feeling, and the panel were impressed with the originality of their idea. Well done ladies.



From the Staff




We have been working on indicators in science, Ava made a fantastic pattern using the acids and bases.

[Casting Workshop for Teenagers in Staffordshire ! Tickets, Tue, May 20, 2025 at 4:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)



Casting Workshop for Teenagers in Staffordshire - Eventbrite

 Casting Call for Teenagers in Staffordshire (Ages 11–17)! Tinker Taylor, an award-winning ad agency, is looking for passionate young people to star in a powerful new campaign to boost school attendance and support mental health across Staffordshire.

www.eventbrite.co.uk

7s Community Project

Once again students at Woodhouse Academy have been busy getting themselves involved in the school's Community Project, an event run every year where each form plans an activity to give back to the local community, or to raise money for chosen charities. Last week, Mrs Sullivan's form, 7S chose to play a five-a-side football match for people to watch. But to make it a bit more fun they decided to wear some costumes and charge about after a large inflatable ball! There was an inflatable dinosaur, a sumo wrestler, some animal masks and a few interesting hats! The rest of the school, who had a non-uniform day with a theme of red, came along to watch them play and also buy some yummy sweets and some cakes to nibble on. In the sunshine and with the pop music loud, the players ran, jumped, tackled, kicked and chased the ball. The spectators were cheering, laughing and singing and it was very enjoyable afternoon for everyone. Mrs Sullivan "It was great to see everyone enjoying the sunshine and having fun playing or watching the game. We have such a fantastic school community here at Woodhouse, and events like this allow us to give something back to those in the local community and also further afield. I am delighted that this event has been able to raise over £450, for a worthwhile cause, Birmingham Children's Hospital. This charity was chosen by the form, and is one that is close to the heart of one of the members of our form". Thank you to all of the students in 7s for taking part and for all of those who came along to support.



Woodhouse Wall of Fame!



Well done to Jack T, Febian L,
Archie W, Josh W, Beau T
on Sunday 4th May won the
NSJL CITY FINALS



Well done to Zac W 8m who won
his division football Congleton
Town Juniors moving up division
one



Well done to Joshua W 6c
who has won the NSJYL
division cup too with his team
AFC Biddulph Allstars!

Woodhouse Wall of Fame!



Kylan completed the Mow Cop Killer Mile for the first time ever on Thursday in just 11.04 minutes and came 32nd out of 209.

Well Done!



Ruby ran the Killer Mile at Mow Cop and did excellent smashing her time from last year.



Erin ran last night's Mow Cop Killer Mile. Well Done !

Summer Term 2025 – 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	Main Meal Roast Turkey with Stuffing Bap	Main Meal Breaded Salmon Fishcake or Vegetable Samosa Roll (V)
Cheese & Tomato Baguette (V) Or Southern Fried Veggie Burger (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)
Pommes Noisettes, 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	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*



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Summer Term 2025 – 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	Main Meal Baked Battered Fish Fillet or Vegetable fingers (V)
Chicago Town Pepperoni Pizza Or Chicago Town Cheese Pizza (V)	Chicken Shawarma Wrap Or Quorn Shawarma Wrap (V)	Buttermilk Chicken Wrap Or Cheese and Onion Pasty (V)	Sausage Roll Or Veggie Sausage Roll (V)	Homemade Beef Chilli Or Veggie Chilli (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 & Naan bread. Seasonal Veg, Beans or Mixed Salad	Chips, Rice, Curry Sauce, Steamed Garden Peas, Beans or Mixed Salad
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Summer Term 2025 – Lunchtime Menu week 3



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Chinese Chicken Curry Or Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake (V)	Main Meal Hunters Chicken	Main Meal Sausage, Mash with Yorkshire Pudding or Veggie Sausage, With Mash and Yorkshire Pudding (V)	Main Meal Chicken Korma	Main Meal Breaded Chunky Fish finger 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	Crispy Chicken Goujon Wrap 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, 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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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	Beef Chilli Nachos
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





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
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ESCOOTERS & THE LAW



DO YOU KNOW THE LAW IF YOU HA

What is the law if you have an e-scooter?

You can buy one but you can't ride it on a UK public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place an e-scooter can be used is on private land with the landowner's permission.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Powered Transporters, so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements such as:

- MOT
- Licensing
- Tax
- Insurance

As e-scooters do not have number plates, signalling ability and don't always have visible rear lights, they can't be used legally on the roads.

What happens if you are stopped?

We understand the public's support for environmentally friendly modes of transport. We want to work with the public to make sure the roads are safe for everyone.

E-scooters are subject to the rules and regulations outlined in the Road Traffic Act 1988. There have been prosecutions in Staffordshire of e-scooter riders in relation to dangerous driving and other offences resulting in their disqualification.

What is a section 59?

Section 59 of the Police Reform Act allows police to give road users a warning if they are reported to have used their vehicle in a manner which causes alarm, distress or annoyance. Staffordshire Police also have the powers to seize vehicles. Please make sure you keep your e-scooter on private land so this doesn't happen to you.

Report a crime to us at staffordshire.police.uk or call 101. In an emergency call 999.



STAFFORDSHIRE
POLICE

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

Rectangular Snip

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

TEXT: 07520 615722



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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.