



Wookey Weekly News

Friday 21st December 2018



Hot Lunches first week of next term - Week 1

Congratulations to our stars of the week this week. They are: Thomas and Lottie (Chestnut), Ruby and Tom (Willow), Toby and Flick (Oak) and Zephyr (Rowan). They will have a celebration with Mr Marsh to look forward to when we return to school in January.



Having spoken to Miss Furner I can confirm that she is aiming to be back at work when school starts again in January. We are all looking forward to seeing her again and I know that she can't wait to see the children in Willow Class. I must therefore take this opportunity to thank Mrs Robertson for once again helping maintain continuity and minimising the impact of Miss Furner's absence on the children in Willow Class.

Christmas Week

As we approach the end of the last week of the Christmas term it is the ideal opportunity to reflect on all the lovely festive events of the past few weeks. Christmas parties are in full swing in the classes today and we are all preparing for another 'Great Wookey Bake off' tomorrow. We have seen great support from parents and families at our Christmas Church Service today and at our recent KS1 Christmas performances, as well as at the WSA Christmas Fayre last Friday when we raised around £1000 for the children. Our youngest children also put on an amazing show for parents in our playgroup Christmas play. This week we have also had our delicious school Christmas Lunch, provided by The French Kitchen for the first time. We have even managed to squeeze in a visit from Father Christmas, when he presented all the children (and the teachers) with a lovely Christmas gift.



It has certainly been an action packed few weeks and we could not have done it without the support of the parents and families of Wookey Primary School. I want to take this opportunity to thank you all, as well as to thank the amazing staff team here for their incredible work throughout the year.

I hope you all have a peaceful Christmas and I look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday January 8th 2019.



We are writing to let you know about a new resource for parents and their children who have undertaken Bikeability training. The Participants Hub is a webpage offering advice and information as well as discount offers aimed at supporting families to continue cycling together. The Bikeability Trust has developed this initial page and will be continuing to add new information, guidance and

offers on a regular basis. We have been asked if we could let schools know about this facility and suggest that you share this information with your parents / guardians.

The good news is that **Halfords** has agreed, in addition to the free bike check, to offer **10% off servicing** as well as bikes and accessories, making it a much more valuable offer for families. The voucher will be live at stores from 1st December 2018. [here is a link to a voucher](#).

Many Thanks
Somerset Road Safety
Tel: 01823 423430

If you update your contact details at any time during the school year can you please ensure that you let Mrs Gosden in the school office know. It is important that we are able to contact parents / carers quickly should an emergency occur. Many thanks in advance.



Please check your inboxes for a letter relating to a visit to school from the NSPCC next term. If we do not have an email address listed for you we will be sending home a paper copy of the letter.

With Christmas fast approaching, parents may be considering video games as gifts for their children. Making a decision about which games are most suitable can be difficult. To help, www.askaboutgames.com have released a guide to the best family video games, organised by PEGI rating. The guide can be found at: <http://www.askaboutgames.com/discover-2018s-amazing-video-games-for-your-family>

Reminder

If your child is due to start school for the first time (born between 01/09/2014 and 31/08/2015) then it is very important you make an on time school place application.

Deadline for primary admissions - 15th January 2019

To download the primary booklet for parents, to make an on-line application and for further information please visit our website www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions and choose the page Apply to Start School.

Please do not hesitate to contact the School Admissions Team on 01823 355742 if you require any further information or would like to check whether an application for a particular child or children has been received.

School Data

You may have seen reports in the media recently about the progress and attainment data that schools are required to publish online annually. This data can be used to compare schools via the Government website <https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/>

As well as viewing our results on that site you can see them in more detail on our website <https://www.wookeypriamaryschool.co.uk/results>

We are very pleased with our results this year, particularly in terms of attainment at Key Stage 1 and progress across Key Stage 2. Overall our results compare well with both local and national results and they reflect the excellent teaching that goes on at Wookey Primary School.

Diary Dates

Monday 7th January - INSET

Tuesday 8th January - Back to School

Monday 14th January - After School Clubs start this week

Tuesday 29th January - Cross Country Race

Tuesday 5th February - First Netball League Fixture v Elmhurst A

Friday 15th February - Last Day of Term 3

Monday 4th March - Parent Teacher Meetings from 3:30 - 5:30pm

Tuesday 5th March - Cross Country Race

Wednesday 6th March - Parent Teacher Meetings from 4:30 - 6:30pm

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Friday 15th March - Futsal Tournament at Strode Sports Centre