

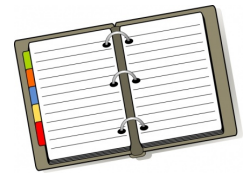
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NEWSLETTER



RSC ASSOCIATE SCHOOLS
PROGRAMME

**PLAYMAKING
FESTIVAL**

Royal Shakespeare Company Associate Schools Programme

Designed to develop confidence, spoken language and a deeper understanding of Shakespeare.

We are delighted to share that Woodmansey Primary School is taking part in the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) Associate Schools Programme this year, working specifically with our Year 3 and 4 pupils.

This is a nationally recognised programme which places Shakespeare at the heart of the curriculum, using drama, language and performance to deepen children's understanding of texts. As part of this work, pupils will not simply study Shakespeare, but will engage with it as actors and theatre makers, exploring character, staging and performance.

Through a series of structured workshops and rehearsal approaches, children will develop the confidence to speak Shakespeare's language with understanding, make their own interpretative choices and work collaboratively to bring the play to life. This term, pupils will be working on an adapted version of Macbeth, specifically designed for young performers.

This programme supports far more than English; it develops oracy, confidence, teamwork and creativity, all of which are central to our curriculum at Woodmansey.

We are incredibly proud to be part of this programme and look forward to sharing the children's work with you as it develops over the term.

Year 6 SATs

Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May

This is an important half term for our Year 6 pupils, who will complete their SATs during the week commencing **Monday 11th May**.

Our message to them is simple: keep calm and carry on. We are already incredibly proud of all that they have achieved, and this period is not about adding pressure, but about ensuring they feel confident, prepared and ready for the next stage of their journey into secondary school.

As these assessments are statutory, we would like to remind parents of the importance of full attendance during this week. If you have any concerns regarding your child's attendance, please contact the school as soon as possible so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Year 6 SATs Booster Sessions will be running in the run up to SATs - Mr Brannigan will be sending out additional information this week.



In the coming months, we will be turning our attention to our environmental impact through our Eco Team. This will give children the opportunity to take an active role in shaping how we care for both our immediate school environment and the wider world around us. We want our pupils to understand that they have a shared responsibility — not only for looking after our school grounds, but also for making thoughtful, sustainable choices that have a positive impact beyond Woodmansey.

Alongside this, we have entered Yorkshire in Bloom, which will provide a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and showcase the work taking place across the school. Children will work closely with Mrs Owst and Mrs Harrop, contributing on a weekly basis to develop and maintain our outdoor spaces.

We are excited to see how this grows over time and to share the children's efforts and achievements with the wider community.

Staffing Updates

Additional administrative support

We are delighted to share that Miss Thorpe and Mrs Rowland have been appointed as Administrative Assistants, increasing their hours to support the smooth running of the school alongside their existing roles.

You may now see them more regularly in the school office as part of this expanded role.

The Great Pumpkin Challenge

Pumpkin seeds will be coming home in the next few weeks.

Following the success of previous years' Pumpkin Challenges, every child is invited to plant a pumpkin seed again this year. Children will bring home a seed on Thursday 23rd April.

Children are invited to plant the seed in a small pot on the window sill and care for it until it is strong enough to plant on. It should then be planted straight into the garden. Pumpkins do not like being in pots, because they need to creep about.

Over the next few months we ask that this little seedling is watered, fed and encouraged in any way felt appropriate!

In October the children will be invited to bring in to school their heaviest pumpkin for a weigh in. Year 6 who will be by then Year 7, may also enter the competition, by bringing in their pumpkins prior to the Thursday and collecting their pumpkins after school on judging day.

The Great Pumpkin Weigh In will be on Thursday 22nd October.

Easter Season

Thank you for all the donations and support during the Easter period. The school and community felt really united as we celebrated such a special time in the Christian calendar



What's on at Woodmansey?

Summer Term Clubs

We provide the opportunities with a number of extra curricular clubs that enhance our curriculum.



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Club	Who for?	When?	Organised by?
Pickleball	Years 3-6	Monday 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Mr. Brannigan 
Coding	Years 3-6	Tuesday 12.30pm – 1pm	Mrs. Barber 
Fitness Games	Years 1 - 6	Wednesday 12.30pm-1.00pm	
Rounders	Years 3-6	Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm	
Guitar Club	Years 3-6	Thursday 12:30pm – 1pm	Mr. McEntegart 
Theatre Club	Years 3-6	Thursday 3.30pm – 5.00pm	Mr. McEntegart 
Basketball	Years 1-2	Thursday 3.30pm – 4.30pm	
Basketball	Years 3-6	Friday 12.00pm – 12.30pm	Mr. McEntegart 



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Summer dates for your diary

APRIL

Tues 14th	Pupils Return to School
Thurs 23rd	St. George's Day - Special Lunch
Thurs 23rd	Pumpkin Seed Distribution Day
Sat 25th	Italian Liberation Day

MAY

Mon 4th	Bank Holiday: School Closed
Fri 8th	Anniversary of VE Day
Sat 9th	Europe Day
Mon 11th - Thurs 14th	Year 6 SATs week
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd	Environment Week
Weds 20th, 6:00pm	Meeting for Foundation Year New Starters
Fri 22 nd , 3:00pm	PTFA Bake Sale
Fri 22nd	School Closes for May Half Term

JUNE

Mon 1st	Pupils Return to School
Fri 5th	Danish National Day - Special Lunch
Sat 6th	Swedish National Day
Mon 8th - Fri 12th	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Weds 10th	Portugal National Day - Special Lunch
Weds 10th, 1:30pm	New Starters Stay & Play
Tues 16th, 11:00am	New Starters Stay & Play including lunch
Sun 21st	Father's Day
Mon 22nd, 9:30am	Little Mermaid Dress Rehearsal
Tues 23rd, 6:00pm	Little Mermaid Performance (1 of 4)
Weds 24th, 1:30pm	Little Mermaid Performance (2 of 4)
Weds 24th, 6:00pm	Little Mermaid Performance (3 of 4)
Thurs 25th, 6:00pm	Little Mermaid Performance (4 of 4)
Tues 30th, 8:00am	Year 5/6 Leave for Residential Visit to Derbyshire

JULY

Weds 1st	Canada National Day
Fri 3 rd , 5:30pm	Year 5/6 Return from the Residential Visit
Sat 4th	American Independence Day
Mon 6th - Friday 10th	End of Year Reports Published
Wed 8th, 9:15am	Whole School CommonWood Games - Spectators Welcome
Fri 10th, 3:30pm	PTFA Summer Fun
Mon 13th, 3:45pm	Exhibition of Work Evening
Tues 14th	Bastille Day
Weds 15th, 9:15am	KS2 Cricket Tournament - Spectators Welcome
Weds 15th, 1:30pm	KS1 Handball Tournament - Spectators Welcome
Thurs 16th, 11:00am	Year 6 Leavers' Church Service at St Peters
Fri 17th, 11:00am	Year 6 Leavers' Performance to Parent/Carers
Fri 17th, 12:00pm	Year 6 Picnic with Parents and Staff
Fri 17th, 3:15pm	Year 6 Procession out of School
Fri 17th, 3:30pm	School Closes for the Summer