



Wood End First School



Newsletter

World Book Day

Thursday 1st March



Dress up as a Wild Thing!
You could dress up as one of the characters from the book 'Where the Wild Things Are'.



OR, you can invent your own Wild Thing monster:
wear any colourful clothes, wild hair, mad makeup - be wild, get creative!



World Book Day Assembly

Friday 2nd March
2.30—2.50pm

AM: Visit from West End In Schools theatre company.
PM: Parents are invited to our World Book Day Assembly.
Come and see your child's performance!



Events and Curriculum



Foundation

Winter
Chinese New Year
Opposites
People Who Help Us
Easter



Topics of the Term



Year 1
Funnybones
Castles



Year 2
Dinosaurs
Going Green

Term Dates 2017/18

Spring Term 2018	Wednesday 3rd January Monday 19th February	Friday 9th February Friday 23rd March
Summer Term 2018	Monday 9th April Tuesday 5th June	Friday 25th May Friday 20th July

TRAINING DAYS
Monday 4th June
Monday 23rd July
Also closed
Monday 7th May
(bank holiday)

Structured Conversations

Parent-teacher meetings start on Wednesday 28th February and continue throughout March. Look out for your appointment.



Parent Fitness Class

Fridays 9.00—9.45am

Pilates fitness classes for parents.

A FREE and fun way to get fit and make friends.

Open to all, the more the merrier!

Please let us know if there are other fitness classes

you'd like us to offer

(e.g. aerobics, yoga, zumba etc...)



Science Assembly

Friday 16th March
2.30—2.50pm

Parents are invited to our science-themed assembly.



Mothers Day Celebration

Friday 9th March
1.30—3.00pm

All children can invite a female family member to school (mum, grandma, auntie, a big sister who is not meant to be in school!) Come and join in the fun activities.

Dads / male relatives, don't worry: we will be doing the same for Fathers Day in June.



Parent Focus Group



Tuesday 20th March
Join us for Circle Time at 8.45am and then come to an informal group chat and coffee at 9.00am. We would be interested to hear your views on how we can improve our school.

Language of the Term Assembly

Friday 23rd March, 9.00am

Parents are invited to a very special presentation about the Language of the Term, Mongolian.

(More information to follow.)



Sport Relief

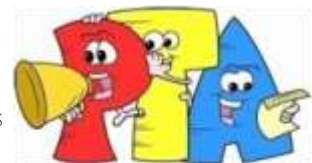
Friday 23rd March
Details to follow.



Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)


Coming soon — *date of first meeting to be announced*

All parents and carers welcome. Our new PTA will be a way for you to share family views, organise social events and help to arrange fundraising. A great way to get to know other families and to really feel a part of our school community.



Pottery Club

Monday 3.00—4.00pm
 26th February
 5th March
 12th March
 19th March (LAST)



Year2 Swimming

Tuesday AM
 27th February
 6th March
 13th March
 20th March

Swimming will continue in the Summer 1 Term from 10th April.



Tuesday Clubs

Tuesday 3.00—3.45pm
 27th February
 6th March
 13th March
 20th March (LAST)



Basketball Club


Thursday 3.00—4.00pm
 1st March
 8th March
 15th March
 22nd March (LAST)



Spring 2 Calendar		
Monday 26th February	3.00-4.00pm	Book / Poetry Week Pottery Club (2/5)
Tuesday 27th February	AM 3.00-3.45pm	Year 2 Swimming Tuesday Clubs (2/5)
Thursday 1st March	3.00-4.00pm	World Book Day - dress up as a Wild Thing! Year 1 Basketball Club (2/5)
Friday 2nd March	9.00-9.45am 2.30-2.50pm	Parent Fitness Class - Pilates Visit from West End In Schools Company World Book Day Assembly
Monday 5th March	3.00-4.00pm	Pottery Club (3/5)
Tuesday 6th March	AM 3.00-3.45pm	Year 2 Swimming Tuesday Clubs (3/5)
Thursday 8th March	3.00-4.00pm	Year 1 Basketball Club (3/5)
Friday 9th March	9.00-9.45am 9.30am-12pm PM	Parent Fitness Class - Pilates School Nurse in school Mothers / female relatives Celebration
Monday 12th March	3.00-4.00pm	Science Week Pottery Club (4/5)
Tuesday 13th March	AM 3.00-3.45pm	Year 2 Swimming Tuesday Clubs (4/5)
Thursday 15th March	3.00-4.00pm	Year 1 Basketball Club (4/5)
Friday 16th March	9.00-9.45am 2.15-2.50pm	Parent Fitness Class - Pilates Science Assembly
Monday 19th March	3.00-4.00pm	Pottery Club (5/5) LAST
Tuesday 20th March	8.45am AM 3.00-3.45pm	Parent Focus Group Year 2 Swimming Tuesday Clubs (5/5) LAST
Thursday 22nd March	3.00-4.00pm	Year 1 Basketball Club (5/5) LAST
Friday 23rd March	9.00am 3.00pm	<i>No Parent Fitness class this week</i> Language of the Term Assembly Sport Relief School closes for Easter Holidays
Monday 9th April	8.45am	School opens for Summer 1 Term

Allotment

Mrs Rayner is busy preparing part of our school field to create an Allotment. Any donations of tools etc would be welcomed



General Information

After School Care



Following your responses to our letter regarding After School Care, we will be trialling an After School Care Club in the Summer Term.

This will be a paid club, with care available from 3.00—4.15pm or 3.00—5.15pm.

If the club is a success, it will be extended to run on a permanent basis.



Full details will follow soon.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable half term holiday. This is a short **half term but we have a lot to pack in!** We're really excited about some of the upcoming activities over the next few weeks, including a visit during World Book Week from a West End Company who will be **doing some dance workshops with us based on the book 'Where the Wild Things Are'!** We also are looking forward to welcoming Sublime Science during Science Week to inspire the children with some exciting science experiments.

We are delighted to tell you that we have been awarded the **national accolade of 'Quality Lead status' by the charity Achievement for All**, who we have been working closely with over the past few years. This is in recognition of our commitment and dedication to ensuring positive opportunities and outcomes for all of our children here at Wood End.

A big thank you to all of the parents for taking note of our school uniform policy, the children are looking very smart and we are pleased to see that most boots have now been replaced by shoes, which allow the children to be much more comfortable in school and ready to learn. If you need to discuss school uniform, please do not **hesitate to approach your child's teacher or myself.**

We are having a big push on our attendance this year, it is really important that the children are in school every day and on time. Look out for our attendance stars display board coming soon! If you are struggling with attendance or arriving on time and we can support you in any way, please approach Mrs Hall or myself to discuss.

Finally, a big thank you to all parents who have been into school and supported our events last half term, please keep coming in as we love to see you!

Thank you,
Mrs Wilson

School Nurse

Would you like to see the school nurse to discuss health issues or ask for advice on anything about your child or family members?

- Healthy lifestyle
- Immunisations
- Support with mental health
- Sleeping
- Behaviour
- Bed-wetting
- Headlice
- Any other medical issues

The school nurse will be at Wood End on Friday 9th March, 9.30am—12.00pm.



Central and North West London **NHS**
19th Anniversary Year

Milton Keynes Community Health Services



Milton Keynes Community Health Services is proud to be part of Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust

PE Kits

These must be in school.
Well done to those who have returned them after the holiday.

Coats

Please can you send your child in with a waterproof coat rather than a fleece, as we go outside even when there is light rain.



Emergency School Closures

In the event of the school being closed due to bad weather or other reasons beyond our control, we will send out a text. Please ensure that the school is kept informed of any contact changes so you will receive the information. If you are unsure of the contact numbers we hold for you, please visit the school office. School closures are also shown on the MK Council website: www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/closures



Foundation Parents

Now your children have been in school for half the year, please could you leave them at the main door. The cloakroom gets very busy and we need to get started on Phonics by 9.00am! Messages can be given to the school adult on the door.



Library Books

We enjoy using the library and sharing books. Please make sure your child returns their book each week. If you have lost a book, please make a small donation at the school office. (Usually £3—£5.)

Foundation: Friday
Year 1: Wednesday
Year 2: Tuesday AM



Book Bags

Please make sure that you **check your child's book bag** every night. Reading books, information letters and any awards your child has earned could be in the book bag!



Wood End Online

The school website address is:
woodend.org.uk



Our official Facebook Page is:
<https://www.facebook.com/Wood-End-First-School-373722102829718/>

To get regular notifications:

1. 'Like' the Page (under the header photo of our mud kitchen)
2. In the drop-down box, under **News Feed: check that you've ticked 'See first'**
3. In the drop-down box, under Notifications: **check that you've ticked 'All on'**



Breakfast Club

8.00—8.45am each day. Breakfast plus activities and games. Children are then taken **to their classes. £1 a day**, please make sure you pay in advance or on the day. Enter **through the Children's Centre** door. No need to book, you can just turn up on the day.



Spring 1 Attendance and Awards

Attendance Stars

03.01.18 — 09.02.18

Silver Attendance 95% – 99%	Gold Attendance 100%	
Adan	Aniththu	Mija
Amilee	Antoni	Mikayla
Antonie	Aurora	Olivia
Archie	Benas	Orlaith
Arthur	Elwood	Pamodou
Harrison	Ethan	Paula
Kieran	Fahad	Peniel
Logan	Jannat	Reagan
Lucas	Kaiden B	Rosemary
Maisie	Kaiden N	Roxanne
Mason GS	Kajus	Sebastian
Matthew	Keshvi	Skye
Mia	Layla	Sophia
Riley	Lena	Szymon
Samuel	Lois	Zak
Sophie	Lucy	Zuriel
	Mason MS	

Spring 1 Attendance

03.01.18 — 09.02.18 6 week term

%	Fdn	Yr 1	Yr 2	School year to date
Attendances	95.91	94.39	96.14	94.43
Authorised Absences	3.05	4.93	2.59	4.03
Unauthorised Absences	1.04	0.68	1.26	1.54
Lates	(26)	(15)	(37)	(234)

Super Learners

Antonie	Harrison	Pamodou
Ariana	Joy	Paula
Arthur	Kaiden B	Peniel
Benas	Kaiden N	Riley
Daisy	Kajus	Samuel
Dominik	Lewis	Sebastian
Elwood	Lois	Sophie
Ethan	Maisie	Szymon
		Zak



Top Class Award

Date	Foundation	Year 1	Year 2
(3rd) Jan	Top Class	-	-
8th Jan	-	Top (100%)	-
15th Jan	-	Top Class	-
22nd Jan	Top Class	-	-
29th Jan	-	-	Top Class
5th Feb	-	Top Class	-

Tree Point Awards

03.01.18—09.02.18

Bronze 50 points	Ahlam, Anza, Archie, Bastian, Joy, Lois, Olivia, Roxanne
Silver 75 points	Barkavi, Layla, Peniel

