

Woodpark Primary and Nursery Class October 2016 Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Staffing



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I have some more news about the Woodpark staff. Every month we seem to have a new face and this month is no exception.

I am delighted to tell you that Miss Wood has joined our staff as a permanent teacher. For the next couple of weeks Miss Wood will be in and out of classes but will be taking over Primary 3 full time when Mrs Connell goes on Maternity Leave after the October Week holiday. While we are sorry to see Mrs. Connell go (for a while), we are delighted to have Lesley join us – she already feels like one of the family!

I can also announce that Mrs. Duncan has been made Principal Teacher of Woodpark Primary. Although she has been doing the job (brilliantly) for the past couple of months, she was successful at interview this week and has been appointed to the post. She will continue as Acting Depute Head while Mrs. Mitchel is away. I am delighted to have Marianne as my 'official' right hand!

Football/Netball



Our teams are in action next week for their first competitive game of the season! They will be playing at Blackwood on Friday the 7th of October. Good luck Woodpark!

80's Night!



There are still some tickets available for our P.T.A 80's Night. If you would like to see people who should know better dressed in clothes that *used* to fit them – come along!!!! Any donations for prizes would also be most welcome (please note that electrical goods must be *new* and still in the original packaging). It is going to be a great night so please pick up your tickets at the school office or from a member of the P.T.A. Tickets are £10 and include a free buffet.

Interim Reports



Reports will be issued to children at the end of next week so please check your child's bag on Friday. These are short Interim reports which will let you know how your child has settled in to the new school year.

Open Afternoon/Evening



As usual, there will be an Open Afternoon and Evening for you to touch base with the teachers on Thursday the 13th of October. If you would like to see your child at work you can come to the school between 1.30pm and 2.45pm or if you would rather come later and have a look at their work and a brief chat with the teacher, the school will be open from 6pm until 8pm.

Harvest Service



Primary 6 are leading our Harvest Service this year. It will be in the school on Friday the 14th of October at 10am. Please come along and support the children if you can.

October Holiday



The school will be closed for the October Week from Monday the 17th of October and will reopen on Monday the 24th of October. I hope that you all have a relaxing time and go somewhere nice!

Hallowe'en Disco



The P.T.A will be running a Hallowe'en Disco for the children on Thursday the 27th of October from 6.30pm until 8pm. Children will pay £1 at the door and there will also be a tuck shop. Can I ask again that the costumes are not *too* scary. Last year I had to ask a couple of the older children to wash off some of their *very* realistic Zombie make-up as they had terrified our entire infant department!!!

P.T.A



Just an early reminder that our next P.T.A meeting is on Wednesday the 2nd of November. We were *delighted* with the number of new parents we had at our first meeting of the year – I hope you all manage to come along again.

Kind regards,

Maureen Farr - Head Teacher