

Woodpark Primary and Nursery Class February 2020 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our February newsletter!

Thank you to the PTA for

organising our
Valentine's Disco,
as well as to the
staff who came to support it,
the children had great fun!
Over the past few weeks, as
part of our school
improvement plan, we have
been piloting a new approach
to writing: Talk For Writing.
We have been delighted by

the children's enthusiasm

and engagement, as well as the quality of written work produced. We will continue to pilot this during the remainder of this session, looking to implement fully from August 2020.

P7 will hold their Holocaust Memorial Assembly on Thursday 20th February at 10am, to which P7 parents are cordially invited.

We also look forward to welcoming all parents/carers to our Showcase Afternoon on Thursday 12th March.

World Book Day: 6th March 2020

For World Book Day children can bring in a favourite book from home, or choose one from our library. Look out for details of a competition coming home soon! (No dressing up this year)

Dress Down Day

Our next dress down day will be on **Friday 27**th **March 2020** (donation towards school funds).

School Photographs

Tempest Photographers will take nursery and school photographs on Wednesday 4th March 2020.

Car Park Issues

We have had a number of incidents over the past year or so where cars have been damaged whilst parked in our school car park. I am reluctant to permanently close the car park gates to all but staff, as I am aware of the congestion this may cause on an already narrow road outside the school, but it may be that there is no option other than to close the car park to avoid further accidents. I am in liaison with

Dates for your diary...

<u>Thurs 20 Feb</u> Holocaust Assembly - P7 Wed 4 March

Tempest photographer - nursery and school photos Thurs 12 March

Showcase afternoon - all welcome!

Wed 25/Thur 26 March

Parents' Evenings
Fri 3 April

10am: Easter Service (led by P4 & P5)
2.30pm: School closes

Mon 20 April
School opens

South Lanarkshire Council as to how best to manage this situation and will advise parents/carers of future action. Our JRSO committee will look at ways to reduce car park congestion eg Park and Stride.

<u>Inclement weather</u> procedures

Due to bad weather there may be, in some circumstances, the need to close the school. We shall communicate this to parents via our school app and Twitter, and information on



school closures can also be found on the South Lanarkshire Council website. In the event of closure our Snow Day pages on our

school website will hold information on current learning and activities that your child can continue with at home.

Headlice

Please remember to check your child's head weekly for headlice/nits. If required, hair should be treated at the time and again 7 days later. All family members should be treated to avoid reinfestation.

Nursery Admissions 2020

A reminder that the closing date for new nursery applications is Friday 28th February 2020. From August 2020 all 3 and 4 year olds, and eligible 2 year olds, will be entitled to 1140 hours of early learning and childcare. Please contact the school office for more information or to make an enrolment appointment, thank you.

PTA

The PTA AGM will take place on **Wednesday 29**th **April 2020** at 6.30pm in the staffroom. All most welcome!

Our next newsletter will be issued in March. Meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs Debbie MacKenna

Head Teacher