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Values

The value we will be learning about this month is Equality. Equality is about ensuring that every individual has an equal opportunity to make the most of their lives and talents, no matter their race, sex, sexual orientation or if they have a disability.



Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will be on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th October (different days for Year 5). The time-slot boards will be outside every morning and afternoon from Wednesday 13th October - weather dependant. Please can we ask that only one parent per child attends the meeting, and also no children. Thank you.



Reception and Year 7 admissions

If you live in Bath and North East Somerset council (BANES), you need to make your child's school applications via a different website. You are still able to apply for spaces that are within Bristol City council, but you can't apply through the Bristol City council website. You can make your Reception application, [here](#), and Secondary application, [here](#).

If your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP), you need to make your child's application via this [website](#).

Bath & North East Somerset Council

Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow'

We are taking part in the Morrisons 'It's good to grow' campaign and we need your help! For every £10 you spend in store or online you will receive a token. These can be used to donate through the 'My Morrisons' app, linked to your 'My Morrisons' card. Please select 'Woodlands Academy' from the school list. All tokens can then be redeemed for gardening equipment for Woodlands!



Dates for 2021/22

Term 1 - 2nd September 2021 - 22nd October 2021

Term 2 - 1st November 2021 - 17th December 2021

Term 3 - 4th January 2022 - 18th February 2022

Term 4 - 28th February 2022 - 8th April 2022

Term 5 - 25th April 2022 - 27th May 2022

Term 6 - 6th June 2022 - 22nd July 2022

Inset Days

4th January 2022

28th February 2022

22nd July 2022



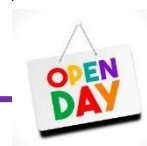
Stockwood Open Space bike track

I am sure you are aware of the new BMX track being built in Stockwood Open Space. This is an amazing opportunity for the community. We are hoping to work with the council on using this track when it is finished. We will keep you updated.



Reception Open Day

Our Reception Open Day is being held on Monday 8th November 2021. We have 4 slots available, so please call us to book a space on one as there is a maximum of 12 places per slot. We are asking that only one parent/carer comes along and no children please. Also, masks are advised. The slots are as follows;
9.30am-10am, 11am-11.30am, 1pm-1.30pm, 2pm-2.30pm.



PTA

Firstly, I would like to thank the parents who have run the PTA over the last 4 years. Your time, dedication and willingness to raise money for our children is greatly appreciated.

We now have a new group of parent who have taken on the role of running the PTA. They are in the process of planning events for the children and families to take part in over the rest of this academic year. The first event will be a competition linked to bonfire night. Please look out for an email early next week with further information.

Harvest

This year, we are going to be doing a food bank collection for Harvest, which the Year 6 ambassadors will be highly involved with. So, if you have any tinned/dry food lying about in your cupboards, please bring them to school by Wednesday 20th October. Thank you.



Reception and Secondary applications for September 2022

Reception

The window for applying for Reception 2022 places opened on Sunday 12th September 2021, and closes on Sunday 15th January 2022. We will be holding an open day for all prospective parents on Monday 8th November. If you are aware of any friends or family who are looking for Reception places, please feel free to make them aware of this date. Applications for Reception places can be made here: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/primary-apply>



Secondary

The window for applying for Secondary 2022 places opened on Sunday 12th September 2021, and the window closes on Sunday 31st October 2021. You can make your application here:

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/secondary-apply>



If you require a paper application but you don't have access to a printer, please speak to the school office and they will be happy to print one for you.

Migration to ParentMail

When we return to school in the New Year, we will no longer be using ParentPay to accept meal and trip payments. To keep in line with the other two schools in the MAT, we are moving over to ParentMail. This system has the same concept as ParentPay, however it is a little more user friendly. There is an app you can download to your phone so whenever we send an update, it'll pop up on your phone screen like a text message meaning you'll hopefully not miss any communications from us. You will be able to book your child's dinners on the specific days they're needed, book Parents Evening slots, electronically sign consent forms and much more. We will of course release more information as the time draws nearer, but we're hoping by making parents and carers aware now, the change won't seem so daunting when the change happens.



As the weather changes and becomes colder please can you ensure your child comes to school with a coat that has their name in it.

Stay Safe.

Mrs Morris and the Woodlands Team