

### Attendance

Class attendance since September 2022:

Reception: 97.6% ↓

Year 1: 96.9% ↓

Year 2: 92.7% ↑

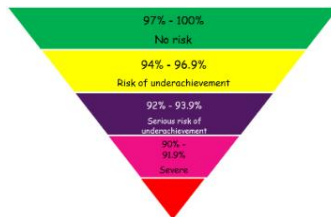
Year 3: 94.7% ↑

Year 4: 92.2% ↑

Year 5: 91.7% ↑

Year 6: 97.2% ↑

Whole school attendance: 94.6% ↑



### Parents Evening

This year we are trying something new with parents' evenings. This year there will be one evening on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, and one on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November. The appointments will be available to book on ParentMail one day next week. We will let you know when this will be and will also send out a reminder on how to book the appointments.



### Reading Volunteers

Woodlands Academy are reaching out to parents and other members of the community who would like to help our children with their reading in school. It'll only be for an hour or two a week (or as much or as little as you're able to help), and it would really help with ensuring our children are reading as much as they can. If you would like to become a reading volunteer at our school, please visit the school office so they can provide you with an application form.



### Values

The value we will be learning about in October is **Equality**. Equality refers to the right of every individual to equal treatment and opportunities, regardless of factors like gender, race and social position. It is based on the belief that nobody should have poorer life chances because of things like where they come from, what they believe, their sexual orientation and whether they have a disability.



## Dates for your diary

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October - Y2 trip to SS Great Britain

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October - last day of term

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Inset Day

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Y3 trip to the Clifton Suspension Bridge

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Y6 trip to the M-Shed

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need

### Term dates 2022/23

Term 1 - 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 - 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Term 2 - 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 - 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Term 3 - 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 - 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Term 4 - 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 - 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Term 5 - 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 - 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Term 6 - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 - 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

### Inset Days

31<sup>st</sup> October 2022

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

21<sup>st</sup> July 2023



## Greater Stockwood Association

Our amazing news of our 'Good' Ofsted rating has travelled, and as a well done to our school, the Greater Stockwood Association has so kindly donated £480 to our Friends of Woodlands PTA. This money will be used to wisely to greater develop our school and make it an even better learning environment for our children. I'm sure you'll all join me in thanking them for this amazing (and unexpected!) donation.



## Harvest Food Collection

On Monday, we sent out an email informing you of how we're changing up the Harvest food collection this year. Instead of giving the food we have collected to a food bank, we are putting the food into our own parcels and handing them back out to the local community. If you would like a food bundle, please email the school at [info@woodlandsacademybristol.com](mailto:info@woodlandsacademybristol.com) and we will let you know when it is ready. If you have any food at home that is in date, but you will not use, please think about donating it to us for our bundles. If we have any left-over food, it will be donated to a food bank.



## Early Years Open Day

We will be holding this year's Open Day on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. This is for prospective parents who are looking around schools for Reception and Nursery places in 2023. We have four 30-minute slots, 9.30am-10am, 11am-11.30am, 1pm-1.30pm and 2pm-2.30pm. These slots are by appointment only, so please call/email us if you would like to book. Please also feel free to let family and friends know if they are looking for places for next year. Thank you.



## Reception and Secondary applications for September 2023

### Reception

The window for applying for Reception 2023 places is now open, and all applications must be submitted by midnight of Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023. We are holding an open day for all prospective parents on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 2023 places is now open, and all applications must be submitted by midnight of Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. 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.

We still have a number of children not bringing coats into school or having their names in their jumpers/cardigans. Please can you make sure your child brings a coat to school each day with their name in it.

This term has gone very quickly and the children have packed a lot of learning into it. I am sure everyone is looking forward to half term.

*Mrs Morris and the Woodlands Team*

## Halloween Family Night

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October, Sturminster Community Association and Social Club are holding a family Halloween night for our local community. There will be a prize for the best costume, prize for the best pumpkin, sweet/cake stand, games with prizes and a live DJ. If you would like to join in with all the fun, its 50p for children, 75p for adult members, or £1 for adult non-members, and it starts at 7.30pm-late!

*Please note the school tries to pass on information it considers may be helpful or of interest to parents. We do not necessarily endorse or check the security and safety of the services on offer. Parents need to satisfy themselves that they are happy to attend such events with their which are not based at Woodlands.*

