

New beginnings

The school year has started well and it has been lovely welcoming the children back after the summer break. The weather has been kind to us and we have been graced with warm sunshine for the start of term, which makes the return after a long break that much easier.

A busy holiday

Whilst the last school year finished in July, the school site has been busy over the holidays. We have hosted two summer camps through The Sue Brett Foundation and Premier Education. Over 40 local children benefited from the wellbeing and sports programmes on offer. We have also had extensive building work with our school roof being replaced and some of our indoor spaces refurbished

New website

Our school site was not the only site getting a makeover, we also have had improvements to our school website. It is the same address as the old one – www.woodlandsparkschool.org but hosted on a new platform. The site features our new school logo and updated photographs of our children.

Uniform

It has been great seeing many of the children returning after the

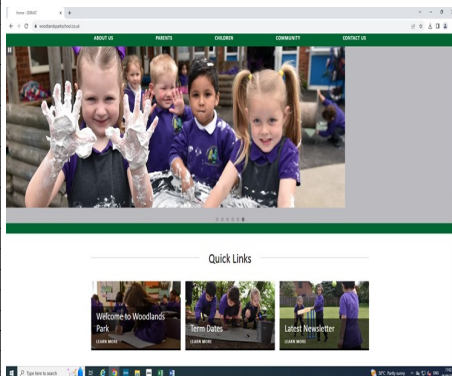


Photo: Our new school website is now live



Photo: Pupils modelling our new uniform

break wearing the new uniform, and looking very smart we might add! We are hoping the uniform ties in more with our Woodlands theme and the children feel proud to wear it.

Opening Morning and Evening

Later this term, we will be hosting two Open Mornings and for the first time, an Open Evening. Please encourage friends and family, interested in a school place, to come and visit us and see what we are all about. Whilst school numbers have been steadily increasing throughout last year, we still have places in most year groups and so we would encourage prospective parents/carers and pupils of all primary years to visit us. The Open Mornings will take place on Wednesday 20th and Monday 25th September (9.15 – 10.15 a.m.) and our Open Evening will be on Wednesday 4th October (6 – 7.30 p.m.). Admission applications for our Reception class, in September 2024, need to be made with the Local Authority by early January, admissions into other year groups can be processed by the School at any time during the year.

Home – School Agreement

Attached to this newsletter is our home - school agreement. The agreement highlights what we expect of our pupils, our parents/carers and what you can expect

from the School. If we all play our part, we are confident that your child(ren) will have a successful education here at Woodlands Park.

Communication

We will be changing some aspects of communication this term. We will no longer be using the class email addresses. Instead, all communication will go through the school office email – office@woodlandsparkschool.org The office will then pass your communication on to the relevant member(s) of staff. We hope this will reduce teachers needing to monitor multiple email accounts and mean that we can be more responsive.



Photo: Refurbished staff room

Birthdays

You will note that we are no longer sharing children's birthdays in the newsletter. All classes will have a birthday display and your child's birthday will be celebrated in class.

We are excited about the new school year and look forward to building on the successes from last year. We hope all our children have a great start to the new year and we look forward to working with all our families.