

Yate Academy Woodlands Primary School & Nursery



Headteacher news



Friday 26th
April

Term 5, Issue 1

Uniform change

From September we will be introducing the pleated kilt for children in Reception. These replicate the skirts that are currently worn at the Secondary Phase and will also be worn by other Greenshaw Learning Trust Primary Schools within the area.

For Early years these are on elasticated waistbands and look extremely cute!

Further up the

school, as skirts are renewed it would be preferable if the kilts were also purchased and worn.

If your child is interested in wearing a skirt then they will need to be pre ordered as soon as possible from Initially Yours on Station Road.

If you would like to see a sample of the skirt then please come into the school office where we have some already made up.



 **Initially Yours**

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Our school focus: PSHE

Personal, Social, Health Education (PSHE) is an important part of our curriculum and is embedded throughout the life of the school. It provides the children with the knowledge, understanding, skills and attitudes to make informed decisions about their lives and helps to support resilience by allowing children to recognise and manage risky behaviours and deal with conflicts in a positive and mature way. Although we have dedicated PSHE lessons, your child's class teacher will also use PSHE as needed to support other learning, as well as help your children cope with difficulties they may be experiencing, both in and out of school.

All KS1 and KS2 classes have an issue box (sometimes called a worry box or worry monster!). The idea behind these is to provide the children with confidential place to let their teacher know there is something they are concerned or worried about and they feel they cannot speak to an adult in school directly, or are unable to find the right moment to speak. This way, the teachers can adapt PSHE lessons, as appropriate, or find a suitable time to speak to whoever left the message about their problem.

So, if your child is worried about something or experiencing problems, please encourage them to use their class issue box. They can even write a note at home and pop it in when they get to school!

Term 5:

May

June

Friday 03rd May—Class groups and Year 6 Individual Photos

Also deadline for Year 5 Brecon Camp forms to be returned to main office.

Monday 06th May—Bank Holiday

Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th May - Year 5 Brecon Camp

Wednesday 22nd to Friday 24th May—Year 6 Brecon Camp

Monday 27th May—Bank Holiday

Friday 24th May—Last day of Term 5

Monday 03rd June INSET Day for Primary

Tuesday 04th June— Term 6 start

Up and Coming Events

Scholastic Book Fair

Next week the book fair will be in school again. This is a great opportunity to buy a book and encourage your children to read. School receives a significant percentage of the value of books sold so you are also supporting the school.

Mon-Fri 3:00-3:30

The Scholastic logo, featuring a red square with a white book icon and the word "SCHOLASTIC" in white capital letters.

In the news at Woodlands

Walking bus

Ms Lett and Mrs Battensby have started their walking bus this week. They have been tracking their steps and are very impressed with how fit they are becoming during the week.

If you ever need support encouraging your children into school or are house bound for any reason and live within our walking taxi route then please feel free to ask if we can pick up your child.



SEN parents Coffee afternoon

The Coffee afternoon run for parents of children with additional needs was very positively received. Mrs Carter and Mrs Battensby shared coffee and biscuits with a number of parents who simply chatted and listened to each others stories.

The next afternoon is being booked for Friday 17th May between 9:00 and 9:45 when we will also include parents of children with a Hearing Impairment.



Year 6 Bronze Medals

Mountain Biking Competition
– Monday 1st April

On a sunny afternoon, children from Years 5 and 6 took part in a competition against other local schools at the Secondary Phase of Yate Academy. Run by British Cycling, the children were taught how to handle a bike using the gears correctly and most importantly how to brake! All of the children had an amazing afternoon practising their skills around a course set up by British Cycling. After a couple of practice sessions, the flag came down and they were off! We saw some very speedy cycling and were so proud when our Year 6 team came 3rd and won bronze medals. What a result!

