

# Yate Academy Woodlands Primary School & Nursery



## Headteacher news

### SATs

Next week the Year 6 pupils will be taking their SATs tests.. Children in Oak and Laurel have been working extremely hard in order to prepare for these and I'm sure they will do the best they can.

During this period both Myself and Mrs Dean will be unavailable unless in an absolute emergency as we need to support both staff and pupils during this important time.

As well as preparing pupils academically at Woodlands we recognise that some

children find these times quite nerve wracking and we have been supporting their emotional well being.

As a parent here are some things you can also do to help.



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### Preparing for the Big Week

For most children, the KS2 SATs exams take place within a set week. Your child will sit a reading paper, a spelling paper, a grammar and punctuation paper and three maths papers (one arithmetic and two reasoning papers). Print and use the checklist below to help support your child in their preparations for SATs week.

#### SATs Week Stress-Busting Checklist

- Have a revision-free weekend before SATs week - rest and have fun!
- Get a good night's sleep and go to bed early.
- Eat a healthy diet during the week and get a good breakfast each day.
- Make sure you're up nice and early each exam day so that you have plenty of time in the morning and don't have to rush.
- Get outdoors and do some exercise - go to the park, play football, roller skate... whatever physical activity you find fun!
- Make sure you have downtime (watch TV, bake, colour, do crafts - these are all great activities to unwind with).
- If you're feeling really nervous, breathe slowly and deeply before each exam.
- Plan a special treat to look forward to at the end of the week, e.g. a special meal, a trip, a fun activity - something that you can look forward to.

## Our school focus: Maths Challenge



Things are getting HOT at Woodlands Primary. The maths Chilli Challenges are in full flow and classes can't get enough of the heat.

In KS1 this term, children have been showing their fantastic skills in multiplication and division using a range of strategies and building their independence.

KS2 have also been displaying fantastic skills in a range of mathematical challenges including; fractions, area and perimeter, money calculations as well as time.

We have noticed a fantastic development in the children's independence during our Chilli Challenge lessons and noticed how excited the children are to take on the Greater Depth tasks.

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### May and June

Monday 13th to Friday 17th May - Year 6 SATs

Friday 17th May - Mufti day £1 donation towards year 6 leavers

Wednesday 22nd to Friday 24th May -Year 6 residential camp

Friday 24th May - Last day of term 5

**Monday 27th to Friday 31st May-Half Term**

**Monday 03rd June - Inset day no school**

Tuesday 04th June- Term 6 Starts

## Up and Coming Events

### SUPPORT GROUP

for parents & carers of children with additional needs & disabilities

There is nothing like walking into a welcoming space where you are heard & understood. Come along for a warm welcome and cuppa with other parents, and have the chance to listen & share your stories. This is your space to use as you need.



Please check the school newsletter and Facebook page for confirmed dates, times and place

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Following our first get together last term, we are pleased to share our next meeting on Friday 17th May at 9.00am until 9.40am. This is an opportunity to meet other parents in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. Mrs Dean and Mrs Battensby.

## In the news at Woodlands



### Deaf Awareness Week

6-12 May 2019



### When you meet a deaf person

- Face the person while you are speaking, don't turn away
- Speak clearly without shouting
- Repeat yourself if necessary
- Never say 'It doesn't matter'
- If the person doesn't understand you, don't give up!
- Write it down or draw a picture
- Speak one at a time, don't talk over each other
- Keep your mouth visible
- Smile and relax
- Don't speak too quickly or too slowly
- Please use gestures



At least 24,000 people in the UK use British Sign Language (BSL) as their main language

There are 11 million people with hearing loss across the UK

There are 50,000 children with hearing loss across the UK

#DAWrolemodels2019  
www.deafcouncil.org.uk

UK Council on Deafness

### Year 1 trip

On Wednesday Year 1 went to visit Noahs Ark Farm Park in Wraxall as part of their theme of animals. Although the weather started out with rain the sun soon shone and the children had a great day looking at the many animals at the park and also completing a workshop on.....

Thank you to all the adult helpers-we couldn't run the trip without you!



### Non Uniform Day

On Friday 17th May we will be holding a non-uniform day. Please bring in a donation of £1 which will go towards the Year 6 leavers hoodies.

Amazingly Year 6 have already made over £500. These will be great reminders of the pupils time at Woodlands.

Thanks for your continued

## Term time holidays

I have had a number of requests for term time holidays this week. This is a reminder that they will not be authorised and may incur a fine from the Local Authority. Your children only attend school for 190 days out of 365. This leaves 175 days for holidays. Please book your holidays during these 175 days of school holidays.

**Missing school means missing learning .**