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Welcome back!!

We hope that you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing Summer break and are looking forward to another exciting and happy year at Woodthorpe. A very warm welcome to Ms Bamfield – Baxter who will be teaching in FS2 and to Ms Nallet, a new teaching assistant, working in Y5.

Most importantly we wish to welcome our new parents and carers and most importantly our new children. We hope you will be very happy at Woodthorpe.

New Chair of Governors

Following a successful term of office our Chair of Governors, David Parkin, has decided to stand down. We would like to thank David for his involvement in the school and wish him well for the future. The Governing Body has elected **Grant Walker, as its new chair**. Many of you will already know Grant. He is a parent governor with children in Y4 and Y1. We are delighted he has agreed to become our new Chair of Governors and look forward to working with him in the future.

Home /School Booklet and Code of Conduct

Due to a number of changes within school we will be providing a home/school booklet detailing things such as the roles and responsibilities of staff within school, attendance and uniform. We are also obliged to share the school's code of conduct and behaviour policy with all parents and carers on an annual basis. **These will be sent home with your child by the end of the week. Please take some time to read this through with your child.** This will ensure that you understand where to go if you need support for your child and also clarify our expectations regarding behaviour. **Please sign and return the back page of the booklet as soon as possible.** Also, if you **do not** want your child's photo to be used on our website or on other school communication, **please inform the office as soon as possible.**

School Times, Attendance and Punctuality

In order that your child receives the best possible teaching and learning opportunities, it is vital that they attend school every day and on time. Registration starts at **8.45am**, however classrooms are open to parents from **8.35am**. The breakfast bar starts at **8am**. Children in KS1 must be accompanied by an adult. Should you have any concerns regarding punctuality and attendance please contact our Education Welfare Officer (Mrs Claire Daley) at the earliest opportunity, who will be happy to offer support. School finishes at 2.55pm for Foundation Stage and Key Stage One and 3.00pm for children in Key Stage Two. If you happen to be running late, please ensure you phone school to inform us of this.

Uniform / PE Kit

A reminder that our school dress code is: dark blue sweatshirt; dark blue polo shirt; dark trousers or skirt; dark shoes. For full details and to order school uniform please ask Mrs Twelvetrees at the school office. In addition we have a PE dress code this consists of a light blue T – shirt and black shorts. Children will have an outdoor PE session each week when they may wear track suits, especially in the colder weather. New children will be given a 'Woodthorpe PE' T – shirt, if you need a replacement these can be purchased from Mrs Twelvetrees. We suggest your child leaves their PE kit in school during term time ensuring it is always available if required.

Lunch Supervisor Vacancies

We are currently recruiting Lunch Supervisors. Hours of work are 11.50am – 1.15pm. If you think you might like to join our team, please speak to Miss Brown who will give you further details.

Dates for your diary

27.09.18 – School Photos in the morning
26.10.18 - School Break up for Half Term
05.11.18 – Children return to school
14.11.18 – Parents' Evening

All key dates are on our website and you can also receive notifications from the Woodthorpe App. If you haven't yet downloaded it, please do so from the App Store! You may also be aware that a group of parents have established a Facebook group. This can be found by searching "Woodthorpe parents group" and requesting to join. We have found this is an excellent way to receive constructive feedback and also suggestions as to how we can further improve.

Once again welcome back. We are really excited and optimistic that this year will be highly successful for all our learners. Thanks for your continued support.



Dave Smith – Headteacher