



HOW WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
ESTABLISHED 1968

Head Teacher: Mrs C Rowe  
Newsletter 14

Learning together, achieving together, happy together,  
forward together...

19<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been another busy and productive half-term and we still have lots more to look forward to! Year 6 and Year 2 have completed their SATs and every child in Year 6 class received a Head Teacher's Award for all their hard work and dedication. We are all very proud of them.

**School Funding – A guide for parents**

Please take time to read the School Funding letter that is being sent out alongside this newsletter. Thank you.

**'You are You-nique' Discovery Days**

We have two days of exciting and thought-provoking activities planned for Thursday and Friday next week. The school will be buzzing with visitors and the children will be learning to celebrate and understand diversity and difference.



**Fidget Spinners**

I would like to request that children do not bring Fidget Spinners in to school. Although I appreciate that they are the current craze, they do distract the children from their learning and cause more problems than they solve. Thank you for your understanding.

**How Wood's Annual Sponsored Walk**

Our annual sponsored walk will take place on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Gooch will be sending out sponsor forms next week so please check your child's book bag! This year we will be raising money for Computing Software.

## Reminders:

### Parent View

Thank you to all the parents who have taken the time to complete the Parent View online questionnaire. So far, 73 parents have submitted their answers and it would be wonderful to have the responses of all our parents; your views are important and help the school develop and improve.

The questionnaire can be accessed directly from the Parent View site at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> or from the home page of Ofsted website at [www.gov.uk/ofsted](http://www.gov.uk/ofsted)

### School Uniform

Please note that during the summer term we will be changing over to an online ordering service for all school uniform. The providers we will be using are Macpac and parents will be able to order online or by phone; they also offer a click and collect facility and will soon have a shop opening in Watford.

**We still have a range of stock in school so please continue to visit the office for your uniform requirements until further notice.**

## Key Dates for Summer 2017

Here is a list of events going on throughout the Summer term. Please be aware that there will be additional events and it is therefore important to read newsletters regularly.

Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	'You are You-nique' Discovery Days
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Break up for half-term @ 3.15pm</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>School begins</b>
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sponsored Walk</b>
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent meeting for new Reception children
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent meeting for new Nursery children
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Albans Half Marathon – details to follow
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential to the Isle of Wight
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Perform Workshops
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Trip to St Albans Cathedral
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	District Sports
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 4 & 5 to visit Metro Bank
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 2 trip to Southend
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS trip to the London Aquarium
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	How Wood 'Picnic Lunch' & Village Afternoon
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 'Moving up Day' Workshop
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Road Safety Training - Year 4
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July – <b>date change</b>	Year 5 'Wizardry Day' at Marlborough School
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Concert – Flutes & Recorders Year 3 and Year 5 & 6
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports to parents
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Evening 5pm to 6.30pm – details to follow
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery Sports Morning
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception, KS1 & KS2 Sports Day - afternoon
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5/6 Dress Rehearsal @ 10.30am

Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5/6 Evening Performance @ 6pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' BBQ
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly @ 9am
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>School ends @ 1.30pm</b>
<b>Parent Assemblies</b>	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 1
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2

### **Term dates for next year (2017 -18)**

#### **Autumn Term 2017**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Occasional Day

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August – Occasional Day

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September – Occasional Day

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – INSET Day

Children start new school year – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Half-term – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

Children back to school – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017 - Occasional Day

#### **Spring Term 2018**

Children back to school – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Half-term – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Children back to school – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

#### **Summer Term 2018**

Children back to school – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Half-term – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May – INSET Day

Children back to school – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – INSET

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – INSET

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July - INSET

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Occasional Day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Occasional Day

Yours sincerely

Mrs Rowe