



HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents / Carers,

Finally, we appear to have some respite from the rain- fingers crossed it lasts throughout half term, so everyone gets to enjoy the break.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at parents evening this week- it was a great opportunity to celebrate your children's successes so far this year and help you understand how you may be able to support them to continue growing.

Mr Garner

Year 6

It has been an action-packed term for Year 6! Our young authors dived into the world of *Mortal Engines*, designing imaginative "traction cities" as the foundation for their impressive non-chronological reports.

In Science, the children mastered the mechanics of electricity, culminating in a fantastic project where they built steady-hand games to help younger pupils develop fine motor skills.

Finally, in anticipation of our Natural History Museum visit, we've explored the theory of evolution, studying Charles Darwin's famous finches. Next term, we look forward to beginning our SATs preparation and seeing where our learning takes us next!

Pen Pal Club

Last Friday Pen Pal club joined some of the residents at Bickerton House for some thought-provoking art based around children's mental health week. The children and residents wrote and decorated inspiring quotes that will be part of a display in the care home. We were also gifted a lovely hamper of things to use in school around emotional literacy.



A huge well done to our Year 4 indoor athletics team this week. They performed very well and were also a credit to the school with their conduct at the event!



Don't forget to purchase your Wooden Hill Wonka Bars via MCAS app. Lots of golden tickets to be won!

Upcoming events	
Friday 6 February	Year 5 Cake Sale
Thursday 12 February	Valentine's Discos
Friday 6 March	World Book Day/ Wonka Day
Friday 13 March	Y2 Cake Sale
Friday 17 April	Y1 Cake Sale
Saturday 28 April	Miss Marathon
Friday 8 May	Reception Cake Sale
Friday 22 May	Colour Run

Diary Dates

- Friday 13th February Last Day of Term
- Monday 23rd February First Day of Term / Y5 Living Rainforest Trip
- Tuesday 24th February Y6 Natural History Museum trip
- Friday 6th March World Book Day / Wooden Hill Wonka Day
- Wednesday 25th March Y3 Living Rainforest Trip
- Thursday 26th March Y4 Winchester Science Centre
- Friday 27th March Last Day of Term
- Monday 13th April First Day of Term

Click here to view the full school calendar:

<https://www.woodenhillprimary.co.uk/calendar?calendar=1,2&pid=8&viewid=1>

Weekly Attendance

Whole school attendance:	96%
Top class for attendance:	Crossbill 98%

Curriculum Newsletters

The curriculum newsletters for next term are now available on our website.

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