



Wood Memorial C.P. School Ysgol Gynradd Wood Memorial

'From little acorns, mighty Oaks grow'



Kindness



Determination



Nurture



Respect



Integrity

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A very warm welcome to Woody...

I hope that you have all had a wonderful summer break. It is lovely to see all the children in school, settling into their new classes, ready for a busy and exciting year at Woody. For many families, it is back to school as normal but for others who are new to our school... croeso; welcome!

There are so many things to look forward to this year – school performances, trips, residential, exciting class topics and many enrichment opportunities. Please continue to follow our uniform code, including for P.E. days (no football shirts) as this sets a high standard for all. This is just as important when we go on trips or represent our school in competitions and tournaments.

Healthy Snacks and Water

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle each day and a healthy (ideally fruit) snack. Crisps, sweets, snacks high in sugar and fizzy drinks are not appropriate and your child may be asked to place these in their bag to take home. We are proud to be a recipient of the Healthy Schools National Quality Award and are required to maintain high standards to retain this accolade. Our food, fitness, and drinking water policies are available to view via our website. Sometimes due to medical conditions or other circumstances, adaptations may need to be made. This will be addressed on an individual basis and you should speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Communication and School News

How Seesaw is used is changing this year - the two way conversation system will no longer be used and not monitored. The reason for this is due to the Seesaw system itself not working correctly for a number of families last year. Seesaw will now only be used to send messages as announcements, and to view your child's journal. QR codes and instructions outlining how to connect to your child's journal will be sent home next week. The weekly newsletter and class announcements will always be posted through Seesaw. We will also be using provided email addresses to contact families, so please make sure that we have your correct contact details.

Should you wish to contact your child's class teacher or a member of staff we always have adults available on the yard by each entrance in the morning. Messages will be passed to the appropriate



member of staff if they do not happen to be on yard duty that day. Should you wish to make contact via email, please direct all messages to the main school inbox, wmmail@hwbbmail.net, for the attention of the person you wish to contact.

Payments, Bookings and Social Media

We also request that parents and carers download the School Gateway app for all payments including bookings for breakfast club and Woody Wraparound. The school website, www.woodmemorial.co.uk, has a lot of information including our school holiday dates, prospectus, curriculum rationale, Wraparound details and weekly menu. We will also be regularly posting on our school Instagram (woodycpsaltney), so please follow us to see what's happening at Woody.

The year has already started busily and we have trips and enrichment experiences already underway. Mrs Ridge will soon be sharing news about the return of our popular Woody Café and other family learning sessions. As parents, carers and community members, you are part of the Woody family alongside the children, staff and Governing Body. Your support is always valued, and I hope that support continues again this year as we look to provide a safe and happy place for all our children.

Diolch,
Mr Johnson

Woody Wraparound & Breakfast Club

We have breakfast club, a playgroup and after school club on site offering childcare from 7:50 – 17:30. To book a place on breakfast club, please use the Gateway app. To book a place in Woody Wraparound, please book via the School Gateway app at least 24 hours in advance. **ALL** payments and bookings must be made via the app. To contact Mrs Elson for anything else, please email woodywraparound@gmail.com or phone 07831811718. Current session times and prices can be found on our website.

Sickness Absence & Holiday Requests

If needing to report your child absent from school or request holiday authorisation, please email Mrs Ridge at ridgea3@hwbbmail.net. Alternatively, please call the school office to report absences.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all adults - everyone has a responsibility to keep children safe. **Do you have a safeguarding concern? If so, it needs to be reported!** The school Designated Safeguarding Person at Wood Memorial is Mr Johnson, Headteacher. The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Person is Mrs Spencer. Our Chair of Governors is Mrs Nicola Gittins. You can contact Flintshire Social Services directly on 01352 701000 or out of hours 0845 0533116. In an emergency contact the Police 999.

