



Wood Memorial C.P. School Ysgol Gynradd Wood Memorial

'From little acorns, mighty Oaks grow'



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This Monday, 16th March is a Non-Uniform day!

Woody's Easter Bingo is Thursday 26th March. We need your support and kindly ask for donations of Easter Eggs or chocolates in exchange for children wearing their own clothes on Monday 16th March.

These will be used to make up bingo prizes. Further bingo details, including times, will follow early next week. Thank you for your support!

Parents Evening

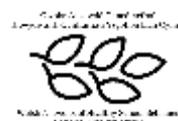
Parents Evening will take place on the 18th and 19th March (24th and 25th for children in Year 1/2). Teachers have sent a Seesaw message home with instructions regarding how to book a slot. If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

Big Wheel & Walk

Our Student Senedd Environment members would like to us to take part in the 'Big Walk and Wheel' national event.

This amazing project inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world. Big Walk and Wheel is open to all primary and secondary schools in the UK. It is free to take part and there are daily prizes to be won.

On each day of the challenge, schools compete to see who can get the highest percentage of their pupils walking, using a wheelchair, scooting or cycling to school. Our best five days will determine our final position, but we can log journeys on all ten days if we wish.



Uniform – including make up, nails & appropriate footwear

We have noticed that some children have started to wear footwear to school which is not appropriate – sandals, Crocs and heavy boots are not practical or suitable for school and can result in accidents to themselves and others. As outlined in our School Prospectus, correct footwear should be black shoes or trainers.

Some children have started to wear visible make up/lip gloss to school, or false nails/acrylics. Make up or lip gloss (if ever required) should be minimal and not noticeable by colour. False nails and acrylics should not be worn at any point.

Early Entitlement

Applications are now open for Summer Early Entitlement (EE), for children who turn 3 between 1st January 2026 and the 31st March 2026. Children who have their 3rd birthday between 1st January 2026 and the 31st March 2026 are eligible for EE funding to start in EE Nursery between April 2026 to July 2026. (Summer term). To apply for a place please use the following link:

<https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Schools/Early-Entitlement-Scheme-Flintshire.aspx>

School Modernisation Update

On Tuesday 10 March 2026, the Saltney reorganisation proposal was scheduled to be considered by the Council's Cabinet for a final decision. As explained in my message earlier this week, the meeting was cancelled. I will share an update when the Local Authority provides one.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs will not take place unow until we return from the Easter holidays. We have parents evenings and Easter Bingo over the next two weeks and staff will be required for these events. We will share a new sign up link and club list after the holidays.

Parking & Safety

I have shared this message previously, but we are still receiving calls from neighbours regarding the issue. On behalf of the children, neighbours, staff and everyone visiting the school – **please do not park across residents driveways, in unmarked bays or illegally on the road or paths.** This also includes the turning island at the front of the school or across the school gates; it is incredibly dangerous and creates unnecessary risks for school visitors.

There are a number of unused spaces on the Anchor Car Park everyday, so please use them and then walk along the path on Learners Way. Please be considerate of others too when on the school yard. Bikes and scooters should not be ridden on school grounds as this can lead to avoidable accidents. We want everyone who visits Wood Memorial to remain safe and we need everyone's support to make Woody a safe space.

Key Information, Events & Dates

Term dates can be found here: <https://shorturl.at/AVLtE>

18 th and 19 th March	Parents Evening
Friday 20 th March	Red Nose Day
24 th & 25 th March	Parents Evening (for Year 1/2 children only)
Thursday 26 th March	Easter Bingo (after school)
Friday 27 th March	Last day of school – Easter Holidays

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 at <https://shorturl.at/mslUV>

Sickness Absence & Holiday Requests

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

School Essentials Grant & Free School Meals

All children from Reception to Year 6 in Wales receive Free School Meals (FSMs). However, if you think you may be eligible to receive FSMs, we are still advising parents to apply for FSMs, because you may be eligible to other benefits such as the School Essentials Grant (SEG). You may also be entitled to help towards payments for residential school trips. Please click the link below for further details: <https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Council-Tax-and-Benefits-and-Grants/Free-School-Meals-and-School-Essentials-Grants.aspx>

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.

You can contact Flintshire Social Services directly on 01352 701000 or out of hours 0845 0533116. In an emergency contact the Police 999.

