



Education Resources
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Woodie News January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2021! I hope you all managed to have a safe festive break and enjoyed the special time with your children and families.



None of us predicted this start to the new term and we are keeping everything crossed that all our children can return to school safely very soon; until then **all learning** will be on **Google Classroom** starting on Monday 11th January.

Class teachers will post classwork online every morning at 9am and will then be available throughout the school day to answer any questions. Please bear in mind that some staff will be taking a turn to look after our key workers' children too. Children can complete their tasks in their home learning jotter. If you require a new jotter or any pencils etc, we have placed a small amount of resources in the Scotmid next to Carrigans, Tesco on Portland Place and the new Co op in Ferniegair.

Our children all know how to access their Google Classroom where teaching and explanations will be posted daily to support their learning. I know this is challenging, however we are here to help at any time, so just phone the school if you require support. Together we will get through this!

If you have changed your mobile number, or any of your contact details over the holiday, please inform our school office staff who will update our records. It is very important that we are able to contact you in the event of Covid cases or any emergencies. Please remember that any updates will be sent to you via your ParentPay email and to check our school website and 'Twitter' feed for information.

Keep safe and hopefully we will be back in Woodie very soon!

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Dates For Your Diary

11th Jan	Primary 1 enrolment online
5th Feb	Newsletter
8th Feb	Holiday
9th Feb	Holiday
10th Feb	In Set School closed for pupils

Google Classroom



I know many of our children were lucky enough to receive new ICT devices for their Christmas.

Please remember that Google Classroom can be accessed via

Laptop, Chrome book, I-pad, mobile phone, X Box and Play Station.

If you require the use of an ICT device then please contact the school office.

Mrs McKellar, Mrs Lawson and Miss McLarnon will be available in school on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday to support you with any teaching and learning questions. Please feel free to phone them at the school office on 01698 427811.



Mrs Lucy Greene

I am delighted to let you know that Mrs Greene will be teaching Primary 1, Room 1 on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Greene came for a visit before the holidays and spent a day getting to know the children. Welcome to Woodie!



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INFANT ENROLMENT ONLINE

from

MONDAY 11th JANUARY

Please log on to
www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk and
follow the link



The school will be in touch with our new enrolment families, week beginning 18th January. We look forward to speaking with you all.



Please pass this information to any friends or family members with a child who is due to start school in August 2021.

Future Library Competition

A massive well done to Freya in Primary 1, who won FIRST prize in SLC design a Future Library Competition.



They had more than a hundred entries to the competition and the judging panel, which consisted of primary and secondary practitioners, commented on how challenging it was to pick the winners. Nevertheless, Freya shone through with her creativity and imagination.

Freya received a £10 gift voucher for Waterstones and the school received £50 vouchers too!

Home School Partnership

We have been lucky enough to employ a Home School partnership worker for two days per week (Wednesday and Thursday) using our Pupil Equity Funds.



“My name is Evelyn McGonagle and I am delighted to be working in Woodside Primary School as part of the Pupil Equity Fund Initiative. I have had a fantastic and very welcoming start to this new post

My job will be to work with the staff team and support Parents/ Carers and families in a range of ways. This could include: phone calls, informal sessions on helping children's literacy, building confidence/positive relationships with children, and practical tips on helping your child succeed. (These may be offered online due to Covid restrictions). All sessions will be relaxed, provide suggestions on the topics but give Parents/Carers the important time to meet others, share experiences and ideas.

Building positive and genuine relationships with Parents/Carers and families is at the heart of what I do. I look forward to getting to know you and working together to ensure our children are happy, confident and achieve.”

Parent Council meeting online on Thursday 14th Jan at 7am. Please email :- woodsideparentcouncil@hotmail.com