

Friday 13th January 2023

## Attendance and Punctuality

Figures for this week

	Attendance %	Total Lates
Sherwood	84.4	3
Delamere	89.2	6
Thetford	90	4
Grizedale	98.1	1
Whinfell	89.5	1
Epping	93.3	0

We wrote to many families last week to say well done on how children's individual attendance had improved compared with last year. We have a lot fewer children on attendance monitoring now. We will be doing awards at Easter again so do please try and keep children coming to school if possible. Don't allow siblings to stay off if their brother or sister is ill.

Punctuality has also improved when we compare Christmas term 2022 with Christmas term 2021. A total of 41 children had fewer lates compared with the year before.

## Uniform

You may have noticed that there was a clothes rail with uniform and coats by the front entrance today. This is our new Uniform Bank. If your child is coming in without correct uniform then feel free to help yourself. If you are struggling for uniform then feel free to help yourself. It is all clean (although possibly a bit crumpled from being boxed up...) If you have any good quality uniform to return or donate then please bring it in. There will also be shoes and coats available.

## Shout Outs

I would like to give a shout out for Mrs Morris this week. She has sorted out the uniform bank for us and has also done a great job recycling paperwork and resources around school. Also, Joanne and Michelle in the office worked extremely hard before Christmas with all the issues we had with attendance. Contacting parents and taking calls, whilst also doing their main job, was very demanding. Thanks ladies.

## Outdoor Elements Visit

Grizedale and Whinfell are going for a fun day out at Outdoor Elements education centre on 15<sup>th</sup> February (<https://outdoorelements.co.uk/>). The cost is for bus fare only. We are using pupil premium money to subsidise the cost. We are asking for just £5. Please try and pay in advance, thank you.

## Coffee Morning

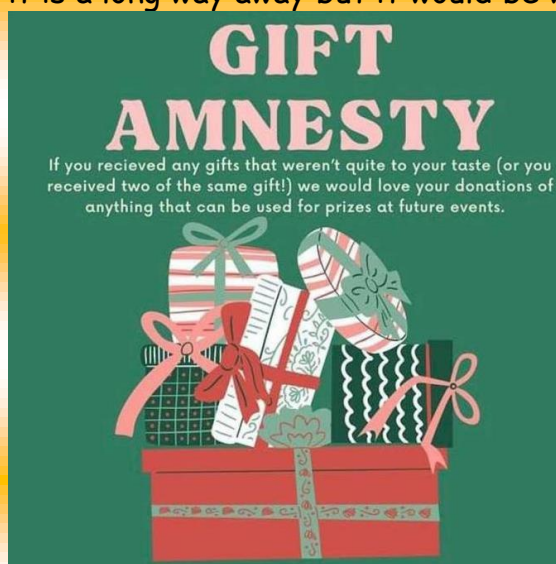
There is a coffee morning next Thursday for all parents at 9am. Helen and Phil from Parent Support will also be visiting to talk to parents and see if any support can be provided.

## Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	STEM live workshop activity in Y6
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Coffee Morning from 8:45
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> /31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Artist working in school
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Hearing tests for Y1 & Y2
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Height, weight and vision tests for YR & Y6
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Grizedale and Whinfell at Outdoor Elements Activity Centre
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School closes for half term. Reopens Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb

(From last week)

Mrs Percival would like to share some initiatives with parents for next Christmas. Obviously it is a long way away but it would be worthwhile thinking about for next December.



We would also like to collect any Christmas Jumpers that children have grown out of. We will look after them and share with children next Christmas.

Please note, our term dates for the rest of this year can be found here <https://www.woodsideprimary.co.uk/holiday-dates>

Dates for next year 23-24: [dates 2023-2024](#)  
We haven't selected Inset days for next year yet.

Updates and info are easily viewable at <https://www.woodsideprimary.co.uk/>

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Thank you and have a lovely weekend ☺