



Woolmore Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

February 2025

Dear Parents,

We have had a very positive start to 2025 with lots of great learning and a number of exciting trips. Thank you to parents who are able to support us with these important opportunities to enrich learning.

Next half term, we have World Book Day, Red Nose Charity Day and we invite parents and carers into school for Open mornings and afternoons. We will also be entering the holy month of Ramadan and then having a school closure for Eid-Al-Fitr on the 31<sup>st</sup> March. Please check our dates below.

Please ensure that you are signed up to regularly check School Ping as we send out regular messages and information this way.

Ms Argent, Headteacher

## Dates for your diary

Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Own Clothes Day: <i>Dress to Express Yourself</i>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Break up for half term - 3.30pm finish
17 <sup>th</sup> –21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Half term break
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Back to school for the second half of the spring term
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>WORLD BOOK DAY</b> Dress up as a favourite character
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>RED NOSE DAY Charity Day</b> Charity Day and Own Clothes Day (red noses if you wish!) Please bring £1 to help others
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	School closed for the Eid-Al-Fitr holiday
1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Open mornings and afternoons Further information to follow
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of the spring term 2.30pm finish
7 <sup>th</sup> –21 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter holidays
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Start of the summer term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday; school closed
26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half-term break
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the summer term
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	First day of the new school year for pupils

## Children's Mental Health Week



At Woolmore we take the matter of mental health seriously because it affects all of us. For many years we have employed counsellors, therapists and colleagues with experience in supporting mental health.

The theme for this year is **Know Yourself, Grow Yourself**.

What's happening at Woolmore?

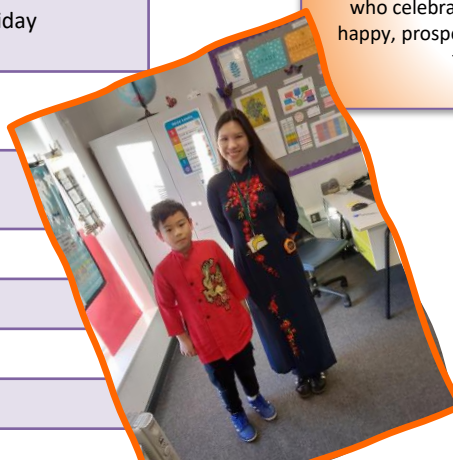
- Assemblies on Monday and Friday to launch the week and share our learning. We will also be singing.
- There will be a range of activities in class and in Breakfast Club – **Know Yourself, Grow Yourself**. Please talk to the children about their learning.

The Place2Be offers information, ideas and support to families. Here is a link to their website:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

## LUNAR NEW YEAR

We wish everyone in our community who celebrates Lunar New Year, a happy, prosperous and joyful Year of the Snake.



Y5 teacher and pupil



Soho, London

Our Values: **Respect** • **Learning** • **Communication** • **Behaviour** • **Together** • **Care** • **Pride**

## Starting and Ending the Day Information, Updates Reminders

### Breakfast Club

A bit about our award-winning Breakfast Club:

- It's open every day 8.00 – 8.45am
- Everyone is welcome and it's free!
- Everyone can have a healthy and delicious breakfast and then choose an activity such as art, crafts, chess, outdoor sports, board games and reading.
- It's a great place to start the day with friends

### After School Childcare Club

In response to requests from parents/carers we are extending our childcare provision from after half term.

- It will run from 3.30-5.00pm from 24<sup>th</sup> February.
- The cost remains at £6.00 for any part of this time.
- You can sign up and pay in advance for the sessions you would like to attend. This can be done by signing up on Parent Pay.
- You can also call/come into the school office to make your booking and pay.
- Please remember to collect your child/children by 5pm. Late pick-ups after this time may incur an extra payment. Please let us know if you are delayed.

### Lates - in the morning

- Please aim to be on time.
- The school gates open at 8.50pm
- The bell goes at 9.00am and we expect everyone to be in school by this time as lessons start straight away.
- Children who arrive after the gate has closed will need to go via the office and receive a late mark.

### Lates - after school

- We have seen a big improvement with the number of children being collected on time at the end of the day. Thank you.
- If you are running late, please phone the office to let us know.
- School ends at 3.30pm and the school gate opens at 3.25pm.
- If you haven't collected your children by 3.40pm, they will be brought to the office, and we will call you.
- You are welcome to book a childcare club place if you need additional childcare.

Thank you for your support



Reading Millionaires

Breakfast club yoga

HTTA Superstars

Look at Twitter/X for more pictures of life @WoolmoreTweets

A dinosaur came to visit Year 1

## Online Safety @Woolmore Workshops for Parents and Carers



Help us keep children safe online by attending one of our workshops designed for parents and carers. Work and learn with us to understand online risks and how to protect your children.

Workshops are online with Zoom and the link will be sent out the day before on School Ping.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb, 10.00-11.00am**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb, 4.30-5.30pm**

Topics covered: cyber-bullying, excessive screen time; parental controls; child-friendly search engines.

Please note that you only need to attend one of these sessions as they are repeats.

### Teach Children to Keep Personal Information Private

- **Tip:** Remind children not to share personal details like their full name, address, or school name online.
- **What to Do:** If they see something uncomfortable, they should talk to a trusted adult right away.
- **Resource:** [Childnet – Keeping Safe Online](https://www.childnet.com)  
[www.childnet.com](https://www.childnet.com)

## Road Safety on Woolmore Street

### Keeping all our children safe: please help

Thank you to parents in cars who think carefully about everyone's safety by:

- ✓ Finding a parking place (not on the yellow school markings)
- ✓ Bringing your child into the playground and helping them have a good start to the day
- ✓ Being patient when families are crossing the road

Please **DO NOT**:

- ✗ Stop in the middle of the road and let your child jump out – this is dangerous
- ✗ Park on the school markings. This is illegal.
- ✗ Speed! The speed limit is 20mph.

Even if you are late, we would rather you were safe so please be careful.

- ✓ **It is better to be late and safe**
- ✓ **Take time to be safe – it's worth it**

