

Woolmore

June 2013

Antibullyingweek 24-28 June 2013



This week is Anti-Bullying week at Woolmore and our aim is for pupils to develop their understanding of bullying and how we can work together to ensure that everyone at Woolmore is happy and has good friends. We really want to know what parents think about Anti-bullying

Week. Please let us know.

Woolmore and Bullying

At Woolmore we take bullying very seriously. Like all parents, we wish that it didn't happen but we know that the reality is that sometimes some children are bullied.

The purpose of our Anti-Bullying week is to ensure that everyone knows that when bullying does happen we must all do something about it.

The most important thing to do if you, your child or your friend is being bullied is to **tell a teacher.** If we don't know it is happening we can't stop it.

All bullying incidents are followed up on the day of reporting by a senior member of staff.

The Headteacher is informed of all incidents of bullying.

The school keeps a log of bullying incidents as part of its Safeguarding Portfolio.

Victims of bullying are listened to, supported and reassured by school staff that the matter will be dealt with.

Children who are doing the bullying are supported to understand the effects of their actions and to change their behaviour.

Children who watch the bullying but don't tell anyone are supported to know that this is not acceptable. Do not be a bystander.

We work closely with parents when their child is involved in a bullying incident.

What is happening in Anti-Bullying week?

- Workshops and theatre companies will be exploring issues of bullying, racism, moving to secondary school and friendship
- Assemblies will help children to think about bullying issues
- Lessons will focus on learning about bullying with follow-up including writing, posters and drama.
- There is a meeting for parents on Thursday at 9.00am to talk about bullying with a guest speaker and the Headteacher. Please come along.
- On Friday we will have Friendship Morning where all the children get to work with children from different classes and enjoy team activities.
- On Friday afternoon we finish anti-bullying week with a music concert that we hope parents will come and enjoy.

Please talk to your child/children each day and ask them what they have been learning about bullying and how to be a good friend.



Happy Learning Everyone!

Anti-Bullying Meeting for Parents

Thursday 27 June 2013 at 9.00 in the bottom hall

Come and find out how we can all work together to ensure our children are safe

There will be a guest speaker and lots of information to take away. Please join us



Parents, governors and friends are invited to join us for

THE WOOLMORE SUMMER MUSIC CONCERT 1

Friday @ 2.00pm

Please join us

Scholastic Book Fair

We will be having another book fair next week. Please come along after school and choose some lovely books for your children to read. Once again, all the books are half price so there are lots of bargains to be had.

Coming soon:

ANNUAL REPORTS - New style

This year parents will be receiving our new-style Woolmore Annual Reports. These will give parents more detailed information about your child's progress and the standards they are working at.

Annual Reports will be sent home to parents by Monday 15th July. If you would like to meet with your child's teacher to discuss the report and their progress there will be opportunities during the final week of term. Please complete the request form to arrange a time to meet with the class teacher.

We look forward to hearing what you think about the new Annual Reports.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Thank you to parents and children for supporting our After-School Clubs Programme this year. Next week is the last week for clubs. This means there will be NO clubs after the 5th July - except for the Y5 Secondary Club.

Next Woolmore News...

Attendance winners...farewells...and much more...

NO holidays or leave in term time

It is the policy of the Local Authority and the Governing Body of Woolmore School that holidays should be taken during the holidays and **NOT IN TERM TIME**. Despite this having been the policy for many years, some parents are still booking tickets abroad in term time. Absence from school is disruptive to children's education and affects their achievement.

All extended leave is reported to the Local Authority. Many schools are introducing a penalty notice scheme where parents will be fined for poor attendance and lateness. This is being discussed at the Governing Body meeting next week.

COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY - IT'S THE ONLY WAY

Dates for your diary

Thursday 4 July @ 10.00 Speak Out Competition - Parents welcome

Tuesday 16 July @ 2.00 Year 6 Leavers' Show - for Y6 parents,

governors, reading and

number partners
Wednesday 17 July @ 10.00 Y2 Graduation Ceremony
Friday 19 July School finishes for the summer holidays

Wednesday 4 September First day of the new school year

SCHOOL SPORTS DAYS - these are likely to be held on the 9/10 of July although this will be dependent on the weather and whether we still have the big playground. Please keep a look out for further information about the arrangements.



New School Update

Everything has been a bit quiet on the new school front, but the squatters have now left the doctors' surgery and we are hopeful that we will hear news soon about work starting. We can't wait! As the hoardings will be going up soon we will not be able to hold our Summer Fayre this year. Instead we will arrange a fun afternoon with a bouncy castle and a picnic lunch which we hope parents will join us for.

