



WOODLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 10th May 2024



★ Woodland Primary—Ofsted

★ Dear Parents and carers

★ We would like to thank you again for all your support during our Ofsted visit last month.

★ We are pleased that the inspectors agreed with our judgement that Woodland is a Good school. They recognised the progress the school has made since the last inspection and that the current inspection framework is very different to the one used in 2013 and very challenging for small schools.

★ We will send out the full report at the start of next week, but we would just like to share with you some of the wonderful comments from the report which captured the unique and special nature of our school.

★ Ofsted - 2024

★ **Pupils flourish in this delightful, small, rural school. They say that there are ‘never any sad faces’ at the school. Strong and trusting relationships underpin this. Parents and carers share the same positive views about the school.**

★ **The school sets high expectations for all its pupils to be successful. Staff offer high levels of support and encouragement for this to happen. Pupils respond positively by engaging fully in their learning.**

★ **The school has developed a highly ambitious and well-sequenced curriculum that is enabling pupils to gain a secure understanding of different subjects. This has been skilfully done to accommodate pupils taught in mixed-age classes. Teachers receive expert advice and support from across the federation to help them to deliver the curriculum effectively.**

★ **The impact of the new curriculums is clear. Pupils talk enthusiastically about their learning. They have a sound recall of the key knowledge that they have been taught. Pupils’ outcomes at the end of key stage 2 are strong and pupils are well prepared for future learning.**

★ **Staff are proud to work at the school.**

★ We look forward to sharing the full report with you next week.

★ Best wishes

★ The Woodland Team



SATS Week—Important

Year 6 pupils will be sitting their SATS from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May. Early nights and good attendance for this week are very important. We wish them all luck, and know that they will all do their very best.



School Photos—Tuesday 21st May



Phototronics are coming in to school to take the school photos on Tuesday 21st May.

If you have any pre-school children who would like to have their photo taken with a family member please bring them to school for 9.00am.

Also if any nursery children who don't attend on a Tuesday want to come for 9.00am and have their photo taken they are welcome. Thank you.

Dates For Your Diary

13th-16th May
Wednesday 15th May
Friday 17th May
Tuesday 21st May
Wednesday 22nd May
Thursday 23rd May
Friday 24th May
Monday 3rd June

- Year 6 SATs
- Squirrel Class & Nursery Visit to the Locomotion at Shildon
- Read Café 2.45-3.15pm. Everyone welcome
- School photos 9am
- Multi Skills Festival at Staindrop Academy—Reception, Year 1 & 2 (am)
- Cricket Competition at Raby Castle Year 3, 4 & 5
- Half term holiday starts at end of day
- School re-opens after half term holidays

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Squirrel Class



Owl Class



Community News

Adder - ation

Sunday 26 May 2024
1pm to 4pm
Bowlees Visitor Centre

Join us for a fun family-friendly event to learn about adders in the North Pennines National Landscape.



Learn about the secret life of this iconic species and make your own felted adder with a wet felting artist. All children must be accompanied by an adult.
£2 per adult, £1 per child.
To book tickets visit:
<https://northpennines.org.uk/event/adder-ation/>



North Pennines National Landscape



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Heritage Park

Come to the Pirate party!

Woodland Village Hall, Saturday 25th May 2024, 5pm – 8pm



All ages welcome, pirates and landlubbers
Sing along with The Auckland Shanty Singers - choruses are dead easy aboard our ship !!
Enjoy fabulous bottled beers, wine, soft drinks, juices, tea and coffee from the bar
A Captains Table menu of tasty buffet food plus child friendly snacks
Lots of fun and games for all ages: Pirate quiz - Find secret treasure on the Bunied Treasure Island Map - Raffle - Yard of Ale (soft drink) competition

Best dressed pirate competition for adults and for kids!
Are you coming dressed as a pirate? Ask for your voucher on entry which will entitle you to half price on your first drink of the evening

Tickets: Adults £10, kids £6, family £24

Book online [now](http://tinyurl.com/yokw3lcp) me hearties, at <http://tinyurl.com/yokw3lcp> or use the QR code.



CHAIRLADY JEANETTE NEWELL
OF
LYNESACK AND SOFTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Invites you to attend the Annual Parish Meeting
on Thursday 16th May 2024
in Butterknowle Village Hall
at 7pm

Matters to be discussed will be :

- The Bull Piece Charity
- What we have achieved this year
- Any other business

All welcome, however, if you are going to attend could you please let me know by emailing me at lynesackandssoftleyparishcouncil@outlook.com