

Newsletter 22nd March 2024



#### <u>Diary Dates for Parents</u> Summer Term 2024

Monday 6th May 2024 -Bank Holiday—School Closed

**Saturday 11th May 2024** - Italy Trip

Monday 13th May 2024 - Year 6 SATs week

Tuesday 21st May 2024 -KS2 Rewards Celebration (Invite Only)

Thursday 23rd May 2024 -KS3 Rewards Celebration (Invite Only)

Thursday 23rd May 2024 -National Sandwich Week Theme Menu

Friday 24th May 2024 - Year 8 HPV Vaccination

Friday 24th May 2024 -School Closes at 3.35pm for Half Term Hello everyone

A really busy week this week and so much that the students have been involved with.

- Year 8 Parents' Evening: this was really successful and many thanks to those parents and students who attended.
- Key stage rewards events: there have been numerous this week - the value awards, the 100% attendance and zero behaviour points rewards - so a HUGE well done to all our pupils who were part of this.
- Comic Relief: Mr Baddeley and 7C have been busy all week doing activities to raise money for this worthy charity. My personal favourite was watching Mr Baddeley, Mrs Gordon, Mrs Baddeley and Dr Kelly being sponge soaked by our students earlier in the week! Well done all of you. 7C & Mr Baddeley have managed to raise a spectacular £460 for a fantastic cause.
- Science Fortnight: this ended today with some of our first school students and theirparents coming up to look at the projects created here by Woodhouse pupils. This has been a herculean effort by the science department and students a massive thanks to you all.

I would just like to say, after such a busy term for all kinds of reasons, a heartfelt thanks to all the team here at Woodhouse, to our supportive parents but most of all to our fantastic students.

Have a very happy, safe and restful break.

Mrs Farr



#### **REMINDERS FOR PARENTS:**

ABSENCES: Can all absences, including a reason for the absence, please be reported by 9am on each day by contacting the dedicated absence line below;

Tel:01782 973600 option 2, alternatively please email:

absence@woodhouseacademy.staffs.sch.uk

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS TO PARENTS: You can book school meals and top up dinner monies via the Arbor App. If you have pre booked a school meal on Arbor that is no longer needed can you please ensure it is cancelled via the App also.

ARBOR PARENT PORTAL: Don't forget you can check; homework, housepoints, trips, consents and many more via the portal. If you have any questions or problems with Arbor please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

**POLITE REMINDER:** Please can we ask parents to ensure that pupils come into school with all the resources needed for the day e.g. PE kit, cooking ingredients.

Thank you.

#### **EASYFUNDRAISING**

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! This means you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying.

If you haven't signed up to support us yet, it's easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started!

You can find our easyfundraising page here: <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/</a> woodhousemiddle/?utm\_campaign=raise-more&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=rm-en-e2

Thank you!

#### NHS SCHOOL NURSE DETAILS

Please see links below for the School Nurse website;

https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing/staffordshire-clinics/drop-schedule-5-19

Health Visiting and School Nursing :: Midlands Partnership Foundation Trust (mpft.nhs.uk)

#### PRE LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform 'take away' stock: We have been running an after-school event for parents and students who may need additional uniform stock. This is all in a good condition and free for anyone. However, we have not had much of a response to this so, going forward, we will still keep this stock in school and any parent can contact the office if they would like to check what we have.

#### SAFETY REMINDER

Please can you remind your children about riding their bikes and scooters safely, especially outside the school gates.

We have received 2 reports about children riding their scooters into the road which have resulted in a near miss with cars since the new year.

The number of parked cars, cars pulling out and pedestrians is obviously very high before and after school.

Please remind your children to walk with their bikes and scooters in congested areas and not ride into or across the road.

Thank you for your support.

## From the Staff

Woodhouse Academy – Whole School Spellings		
Night	Perceiving	Prophet
Occupancy	Pilfering	Raw
Often	Precious	Receivable
Old-fashioned	Pregnancy	Referring
Overambitious	Profit	Reign



Big well done to the year 7s who went to Wales. You were fantastic! You showed a lot of courage, resilience and team work despite the rain and cold! Dr Kelly was very proud of you!

Please follow the link below for all our Science Fortnight photos.

Please click on the link to see the updates from the Science, DT and Food department: <a href="https://sway.office.com/hFrmU01VB8Pt71JT?ref=Link">https://sway.office.com/hFrmU01VB8Pt71JT?ref=Link</a>

## SCHOOL STATIONERY SHOP



Black pen 10p
Purple pen 10p
Pencil 10p
Bookmarks 25p

Open every lunchtime in the foyer

## Robotics Regional Champions













Throughout this week Mr
Baddeley and 7C have been
doing lots fundraising in aid
of comic relief. We've had
activities such sponge the
teacher, a bake sale,
guessing the number of
marshmallows in a jar,
guessing the name of the
teddy and more. Mr
Baddeley and students of
7C would like to thank
everyone who has got involved by donating and we
can confirm that the total
money raised is £459!!

## Rewards Celebration









## Earth Hour Challenge-Interhouse Competition

- SAVE THE EARTH
- Earth Hour is on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March BUT you can get involved any time over half-term!
- Snap a picture of you doing something positive for our planet and get your parents to send it into school
- All photos will earn a house point, but the best ones will earn extra points!





On Monday morning during the whole school assembly, I told the students about an inter-house competition being run by the humanities department whereby students can earn house points for participating in 'Earth Hour'. Earth Hour is actually a worldwide movement organised by the WWF which encourages people to give up just 60 minutes of their time to do something positive for our planet.

Please could you support and encourage your child to participate in this event by sending an image of them completing the challenge to the school office.

It can be anything, but a few examples could be:

- getting outdoors and enjoying nature
- switching off the TV and reading a book - litter picking
- gardening/ planting/ making animal homes
  - cooking a meal without using any meat
  - walking somewhere instead of driving
- learning more about our planet e.g. watching a documentary

I look forward to receiving your photos!

Many thanks, as always, for your support,

Mrs Stevenson





### <u>WEEK 1 MENU</u> WOODHOUSE ACADEMY



#### **MONDAY**

BEEF IN BLACK BEAN SAUCE

> VEGGIE CHILLI

> > RICE

BROCCOLI & PEAS

#### **TUESDAY**

ALL DAY BREAKFAST

VEGGIE ALL DAY BREAKFAST

HASH BROWNS

MUSHROOMS & TOMATOES

#### WEDNESDAY

**GAMMON** 

TURKEY & STUFFING

MASH & ROAST
POTATOES

GREEN BEANS,
PEAS &
CAULIFLOWER

#### **THURSDAY**

CHICKEN BURGER IN A BUN

**VEGGIE BAKE** 

POMMES NOISETTES

SWEETCORN & CARROTS

#### FRIDAY

JUMBO SAUSAGE

FISH SELECTION

CHEESE WHIRL

**CHIPS** 

PEAS & BEANS

#### AVAILABLE DAILY

JACKET POTATOES

CAKE SELECTION

SQUASH

#### **GRAB & GO TROLLEY**

AVAILABLE DAILY—PLEASE SEE MIENU

WITH A SELECTION OF SANDWICHES, DRINKS, PASTA KING & SNACKS AVAILABLE





## WEEK 2 MENU

#### **WOODHOUSE ACADEMY**



#### MONDAY

PEPPERONI PIZZA

VEGETABLE

SAMOSA

POTATO WAFFLES

PEAS &
SWEETCORN

#### TUESDAY

BEEF BURGER

VEGGIE BURGER

POTATO WEDGES

CARROTS & BROCCOLI

#### WEDNESDAY

GAMMON

**PORK** 

MASH & ROAST POTATOES

PEAS,
BROCCOLI &
CAULIFLOWER

#### THURSDAY

SPAGHETTI

BOLOGNAISE

QUORN BOLOGNAISE

GARLIC BREAD & PASTA PEAS &

**CARROTS** 

#### **FRIDAY**

FISH IN BATTER

**FISHCAKES** 

CHICKEN

NUGGETS

**CHIPS** 

PEAS & BEANS

#### AVAILABLE DAILY

JACKET POTATOES

CAKE SELECTION

SQUASH

#### GRAB & GO TROLLEY AVAILABLE DAILY—PLEASE SEE MENU

WITH A SELECTION OF SANDWICHES, DRINKS, PASTA KING & SNACKS AVAILABLE





## WEEK 3 MENU

#### WOODHOUSE ACADEMY



#### **MONDAY**

CHEESE &
TOMATO PIZZA

TURKEY PASTA BAKE

POTATO WEDGES

PEAS &
SWEETCORN

#### **TUESDAY**

CHICKEN SKEWERS

TORTELLONI IN TOMATO SAUCE

POMMES NOISETTES

CARROTS & SWEETCORN

#### WEDNESDAY

**GAMMON** 

TURKEY & STUFFING

MASH & ROAST POTATOES

GREEN BEANS,
PEAS &
CAULIFLOWER

#### **THURSDAY**

**CHICKEN** 

TIKKA CURRY &
NAAN BREAD

CHEESE QUICHE

RICE

PEAS & CARROTS

#### **FRIDAY**

FISH SELECTION

**CHICKEN BITES** 

QUORN

**NUGGETS** 

**CHIPS** 

SWEETCORN & BEANS

#### AVAILABLE DAILY

JACKET POTATOES

CAKE SELECTION

SQUASH

#### GRAB & GO TROLLEY

WITH A SELECTION OF SANDWICHES, DRINKS, PASTA KING & SNACKS AVAILABLE





#### <u>Grab & Go menu</u>

#### WOODHOUSE ACADEMY



#### **MONDAY**

CHEESE &
TOMATO
PIZZINI

SPICY SAUSAGE PASTA POT

HAM SALAD BAGUETTE

#### **TUESDAY**

SPICY CHICKEN
PIZZINI

ITALIAN MEATBALL PASTA POT

HAM & CHEESE PANINI

#### WEDNESDAY

CHEESE & TOMATO

PIZZINI

BBQ PULLED PORK NACHO POT

TUNA MAYO BAGUETTE

#### **THURSDAY**

SPICY CHICKEN PIZZINI

> CHICKEN ITALIANO

PASTA POT

CHEESE PANINI

#### FRIDAY

CHEESE &

**TOMATO** 

**PIZZINI** 

CHICKEN

CURRY RICE POT

EGG MAYO

BAGUETTE

#### AVAILABLE DAILY

JACKET POTATOES

CAKE SELECTION

SQUASH

FULL MENU ALSO AVAILABLE DAILY, PLEASE SEE WEEKLY MENUS 1.2&3





FREE TO ATTEND



5 - 14 YEARS 10AM - 2PM FREE LUNCH PROVIDED



Open to children who receive free school meals

Park visits, sports, arts and crafts, days out, films and much more!

Biddulph Youth & Community

Zone, Church Road, ST8 6NE





01782 244288



## Holiday Activities and Food

for children and young people aged 5-16 who get free school meals\*

Booking opens: 4pm, Monday 11th March 2024

staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities

#HAF2024 | Free holiday activities and food this Easter

If your child is eligible for a free place on the HAF programme, they will receive a letter with a HAF code.

Booking opens at 4pm on 11th March

Activities run 25 March - 5 April

Quote your HAF code to get a free place

Activities include dodgeball, cooking, horse-riding, dance, football, swimming, arts and crafts, bush craft and lots more! Your child will get a chance to make new friends, have fun and enjoy a healthy meal.

If your child is not eligible for a free place but wants to attend, most of the clubs offer paid places too!

Find out more on the Staffordshire County Council website





Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Biddulph Library, 'Bounce and Rhyme', 10:30-11am Oasis Community Church

**MONDAYS** 

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank St John's Church, Knypersley

St Lawrences Church, Congleton 10:30-1:30pm, soup lunch, board games and refreshments.

11am to 1pm

**Biddulph Youth & Community** Zone, Church Road Youth Club

6:30pm to 8:30pm - £1.50 inc refreshments. Aimed at ages 9+,

sports, craft, café, PS4 etc.

The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street Community larder 10am to 3pm

**TUESDAYS** 

Community Café in partnership with

9:30am to 11am, tea, coffee and

Biddulph Local People's Group,

10am to 12pm. Arts & crafts, board

games. £2.00 refreshments and

refreshments

Biddulph Town Hall

materials included.

Free hot food 12-1pm.

Over 50's Social Group

Victoria Centre, Station Road Film Club, includes tea/coffee, 2nm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

#### 93 Bus Service Fares

Adult day ticket-£2.00

Young person (under 19) day ticket- £1.00

You can:

- Use it as a return ticket to attend one of these sessions, or access other services in the town.
- Make a break in your journey
- Use it for a recreational/social ride around

WEDNESDAYS The Green Tree Food Club & Tea

Community larder 10am to 3pm Soup and Sandwich (10am to 1pm).

Biddulph Town Hall Beth Johnson 10:30am to 12pm

Bereavement Group 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, group meal (after session)

Biddulph Town Hall 'Feast and Flicks' Warm Light Lunch 12:30 to 1:30pm

Staffordshire Moorlands Children's

Centre, Albert Street 'Back 2 Basics' 1-2.30pm. Free dropin session for families with little ones: refreshments provided.

Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Indoor Bowling

1:30pm to 3:30pm, £1.50 inc. refreshment

Dementia Friendly Cinema Biddulph Town Hall Wednesday 14 December

1:30pm, includes tea/coffee and cake in the interval: accessible for people with dementia and open to

English Martyr's RC Church, Church Road 11am to 2pm, free hot drinks. soup and sandwiches.

Sessions with a

Food available to buy/ collect

Free food and activities

There are also many volunteering opportunities available with these groups, which would appreciate your support. Volunteering can help you learn new skills, meet new people, gain confidence, build relationships and make a difference. Skills and knowledge you acquire could also help you

move towards paid

employment.

#### THURSDAYS

at Biddulph Youth & unity Zone, Church Road. Over 50's Social Group 10am to 12pm. Arts & crafts, board games. £2.00 refreshments and materials included.

Biddulph Local People's Group

Biddulph Town Hall support café, 10:30-12:30, 2nd Thursday of each month.

**Biddulph Youth & Community** Zone, Church Road. Community Pantry 11:30am to 1:30pm, free food collection. Fruit & Veg-12:30pm to 5:30pm, £3.50 a box. Pre-order by 1pm previous Tuesday.

Christ Church, Biddulph Moor 'Brunch Club' 10.30-1pm

Biddulph Youth & Community 50's Social Group 1:30pm to 3:30pm, £1.50 inc Oasis Youth Club (7-14years),

Gospel Mission Hall, Church Road 6pm to 8pm, £1.00 entry and free refreshments

Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank English Martyrs Church, 6-8pm

'Dementia Voices' (fortnightly)

Staffordshire Moorlands Childrens Centre, 'Wake Up Shake Up Breakfast Group' 9:30am to 11am, Healthy breakfast for parents/ carers and children under 3 yrs.

**FRIDAYS** 

#### **SATURDAYS**

The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Biddulph Library, Coffee Morning Room, 72 High Street Cheesy oatcakes, 10am to 12pm Community larder 10am to 3pm

Victoria Centre, Station Road Friday Coffee Morning & Christian Aid Stalls 9:30am to 11:30am, Hot drink & a snack

#### **SUNDAYS**

Oasis Community Church **Biddulph Youth & Community** Worship, Biddulph Town Hall 6:30pm to 8:30pm— £1.50 inc refreshments. Aimed at ages 9+, sports, craft, café, PS4 etc.

Twilight Market **Biddulph Town Hall** Friday 1 December 3:30pm to 7:30pm Refreshments provided - pay what vou can. Please check www.biddulph.co.uk

The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street Community larder 10am to 3pm

for 2024 dates.

10:45am Refreshments served before and following worship. Adult Worship, children and youth groups and a creche area. Biddulph Methodist Church.

Station Road Worship at 10:45am tea coffee and biscuits.

Life Stream Church. Worship at 10:30am, tea coffee and biscuits

Hill Top Methodist Church, Worship at 10:45am, tea coffee and biscuits to follow

St Lawrence's Church, Traditional Service 9:15am, Contemporary service groups) tea/coffee refreshments between services.

English Martyrs Church Mass,

## Biddulph Works Together 2023-4 A Warm Welcome

07867 003313

01782 852131

01782 214999

0808 278 7876



## Biddulph Works Together 2023-4 A Warm Welcome Useful Numbers

**Biddulph Town Council (Community Help Point)** 01782 498480

The team at the Town Hall can make referrals to the Foodbank and provide advice on cost-of-living issues.

**Beth Johnson Foundation** 

**Approach Dementia Support** 

Citizens Advice-Local Advice Line

The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street

**Biddulph Library** 01782 485491 Staffordshire Moorlands Children's Centre, Albert Street 01782 297970 Biddulph Local People's Group 07898 322998 Biddulph Methodist Church & Victoria Centre (am only) 01782 513218 Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Church Road 01782 244288 Hill Top Methodist Church, Chapel Lane 01782 513218 Life Stream Church, Newpool Road 01782 515122 New Road Methodist Church, Hot Lane 01782 513218 St John's Church, Knypersley 01782 512240 Christ Church, Biddulph Moor 01782 512240 **Oasis Community Church** 07736 953860 St Lawrence's Parish Church, Congleton Road (am only) 01782 513891

#### Biddulph Works Together 2023-4 A Warm Welcome Introduction



For the second year, Biddulph Town Council and partners are working to offer warm friendly spaces and free food opportunities, creating a network of places where Biddulph people can come together to try new things and seek support or advice. All groups offer a friendly welcome, with safeguarding policies and food hygiene rules in place.

There is lots of information about local groups and services here:

https://www.biddulph.co.uk/biddulph-directory/ or you can collect a paper copy of the Biddulph Directory from Biddulph Town Hall.

This leaflet contains information about how to access food via the different services and the Foodbank, but you can also contribute food items. The Stoke on Trent Foodbank welcomes food donations. They can be dropped at Sainsburys on Wharf Road in Biddulph, at your local church or at Biddulph Town Hall.

There is lots of information available on the Staffordshire County Council website about how you can live well in your own home: www.staffordshire.gov.uk

Type in 'Happy at Home' for more advice, which will also link to energy saving tips and local support agencies.



We've taken care to ensure the accuracy of this information; no responsibility can be accepted for errors or omissions. If you feel some information is incorrect or details have changed, please let us know. We are keen to support as many people in our town as possible. Please let us know if you can't get to these activities or would like something different.

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Families' Health and Wellbeing

# School Nurse Virtual drop in clinic

Midlands Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust
A Keele University Teaching Trust

Every

Thursday from

3.30 - 4.30pm





The School Nurse is here to help your child feel healthy, happy and safe during their school years and to get the best from their education. If you have any concerns about their health and wellbeing please drop in to chat.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse.

We provide a confidential and friendly service

mpft.live/schoolnurse



parents/carers of children aged 0-19 who live in Staffordshire.

Get advice from our Public Health nurses (Health Visitors and School Nurses).

TEXT: 07520 615722



Feeding and nutrition

Child development



Parenting advice and support

Emotional health and wellbeing



Behaviour

difficulties



Family health





We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between 9am and 5pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To prevent the health visitor from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at