



# Woodhouse Academy

Shaping Futures Together.

Newsletter 12th  
April 2024



## Diary Dates for Parents 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

Welcome back and I hope you all had a lovely break.

A very calm and quiet return this week and not much to report...

- Values: our value for this half term is honesty so we are looking out for those students who are showing this in school.
- Staffing update: Mrs Mullock will be leaving us to add another precious member to her family at some point this term. Mrs Stevenson will be taking over as temporary assistant head until Mrs Mullock returns.
- Headteacher Awards: I have been inundated with these this week - students showing me how brilliant they have been, in and out of lessons, to receive this recognition. It is always an absolute pleasure to spend this time with them and to see what they have been doing. Well done to all of you who have been given those.

Have a lovely weekend and let's hope the sun is just around the corner

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.

### 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: [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/woodhousemiddle/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=rm-en-e2](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/woodhousemiddle/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-en-e2)

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

### 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.

## SCHOOL STATIONERY SHOP

LARGE GLUE STICK  
ONLY £1



Black pen 10p

Purple pen 10p

Pencil 10p

Bookmarks 25p

Open every lunchtime  
in the foyer

# From the Staff

## Woodhouse Academy – Whole School Spellings

Resign	Sight	Superstitious
Roar	Sign	Thorough
Rose	Site	Trough
Rows	Sufferance	Unreasonable
Sacrificial	Superficial	Unreliable



We have had some wonderful entries for the National Book Token Competition. They have all been sent off to be judged. Fingers crossed we get a winner!

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

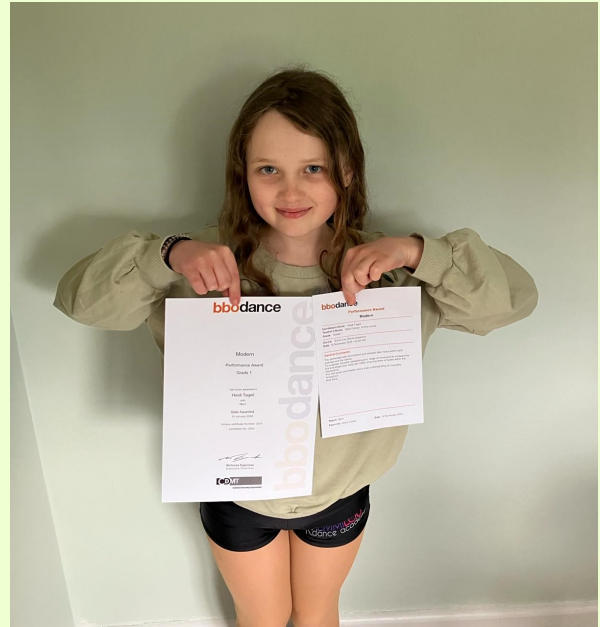


# Woodhouse Wall of Fame!

Kiki B has done amazing this weekend at her swimming gala winning 3 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals.



Well done Heidi T for doing amazing in her dance exams.



Over the Easter half term Scarlett D competed in 2 BASC Swimming galas. 1 at Bakewell where she came home with 6 medals 2 silver, 2 bronze, 1 4th place and 1 5th place. The second gala was at Fenton where she came home with 4 medals 2 silver and 2 bronze and 1 PB.

Scarlett has done amazingly well and her whole family is super super proud of her. She is always improving and achieving great things when doing what she enjoys the best.



Ruby, Phoebe and Cora played fantastically together as part of the Three Shires Rugby team (Congleton, Leek and Longton) last Sunday at Stafford, securing impressive wins against Tamworth 40-0 and Stafford 33-0



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Well done to Hunter, his certificate finally came yesterday for his grade 1 guitar exam, he has worked so hard and is looking forward to having his new electric guitar for his birthday next week!



Well done to Rory L for his Crewe teams' win at Newcastle United's Black and White 2024 under 12's Tournament at the weekend.



Well done to Jamie B this weekend at her swimming gala winning 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze medal.

She has also qualified to compete in the West Midlands Summer Regionals.

Kendra has passed her latest Taekwondo grading with Distinction AN won 2 gold Medals at the latest Northern Championships.





MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS	SUNDAYS
Biddulph Library, 'Bounce and Rhyme', 10:30-11am	Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Church Road Community Café in partnership with Oasis Community Church 9:30am to 11am, tea, coffee and refreshments.	The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street Community larder 10am to 3pm Soup and Sandwich (10am to 1pm).	Biddulph Local People's Group at Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Church Road. Over 50's Social Group 10am to 12pm. Arts & crafts, board games. £2.00 refreshments and materials included.	Staffordshire Moorlands Childrens Centre, 'Wake Up Shake Up Breakfast Group' 9:30am to 11am, Healthy breakfast for parents/ carers and children under 3 yrs.		
Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank St John's Church, Knypersley 11am to 1pm	Biddulph Local People's Group, Biddulph Town Hall Over 50's Social Group 10am to 12pm. Arts & crafts, board games. £2.00 refreshments and materials included. Free hot food 12-1pm.	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 Approach Dementia- carer support café, 10:30-12:30, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.	Biddulph Library, Coffee Morning Cheesy oatkakes, 10am to 12pm	The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street Community larder 10am to 3pm	
St Lawrences Church, Congleton Road 'Nibble and Natter' 10:30-1:30pm, soup lunch, board games and refreshments.		Biddulph Town Hall 'Feast and Flicks' Warm Light Lunch 12:30 to 1:30pm followed by a film.	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.	Victoria Centre, Station Road Friday Coffee Morning & Christian Aid Stalls 9:30am to 11:30am, Hot drink & a snack.		
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	Staffordshire Moorlands Children's Centre, Albert Street 'Back 2 Basics' 1-2.30pm. Free drop-in session for families with little ones; refreshments provided.	Christ Church, Biddulph Moor 'Brunch Club' 10.30-1pm	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.		Oasis Community Church Worship, Biddulph Town Hall 10:45am Refreshments served before and following worship. Adult Worship, children and youth groups and a creche area.
	Victoria Centre, Station Road Film Club, includes tea/coffee, 2pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.	Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Church Road Indoor Bowling 1:30pm to 3:30pm, £1.50 inc. refreshments.	Biddulph Youth & Community Zone, Church Road. SMILE Over 50's Social Group 1:30pm to 3:30pm, £1.50 inc refreshments.	Twilight Market Biddulph Town Hall Friday 1 December 3:30pm to 7:30pm Refreshments provided - pay what you can. Please check <a href="http://www.biddulph.co.uk">www.biddulph.co.uk</a> for 2024 dates.		Biddulph Methodist Church, Station Road Worship at 10:45am, tea coffee and biscuits.
		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 everyone.	Oasis Youth Club (7-14years), Gospel Mission Hall, Church Road 6pm to 8pm, £1.00 entry and free refreshments.	The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street Community larder 10am to 3pm		Life Stream Church. Worship at 10:30am, tea coffee and biscuits to follow.
		English Martyr's RC Church, Church Road 11am to 2pm, free hot drinks, soup and sandwiches.	Stoke-on-Trent Foodbank English Martyrs Church, 6-8pm			Hill Top Methodist Church, Worship at 10:45am, tea coffee and biscuits to follow.
			Biddulph Methodist Church 'Dementia Voices' (fortnightly) 2-3:30pm			St Lawrence's Church, Traditional Service 9:15am, Contemporary service 11am (with children's and youth groups) tea/coffee refreshments between services.
						English Martyrs Church Mass, 9-10am


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 the route

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.

Biddulph Works Together 2023-4 A Warm Welcome



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#### A Warm Welcome

#### Useful Numbers

Biddulph Town Council (Community Help Point)	01782 498480
<i>The team at the Town Hall can make referrals to the Foodbank and provide advice on cost-of-living issues.</i>	
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
Beth Johnson Foundation	07867 003313
The Green Tree Food Club & Tea Room, 72 High Street	01782 852131
Approach Dementia Support	01782 214999
Citizens Advice- Local Advice Line	0808 278 7876

### 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](http://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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*“The opportunity to learn an instrument offers something very special that can last a lifetime”*

# Learn a Musical Instrument at School!



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Families' Health and Wellbeing



Midlands Partnership  
NHS Foundation Trust  
*A Keele University Teaching Trust*

# School Nurse virtual drop in clinic

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](https://mpft.live/schoolnurse)





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

◉ Rectangular Snip

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 your usual rates.