



Great [Wood] News

Summer Term 1



Diary Dates

19th April	-	School Re-Opens
3rd May	-	Bank Holiday - School Closed
5th May	-	YR/1 Muddy Morning
7th May	-	NSPCC Number Day
19th May	-	YR/1 Muddy Morning
28th May	-	Birthday Party (April/May Birthdays)
	-	School Closes for Half Term
7th June	-	School Re-Opens



Welcome back to the Summer Term at Great Wood. We are excitedly looking forward to the sun hopefully shining!



School Meals

Lesley and Jan will be providing a hot lunch every day. Please see the menu below to see which meals are available each day (Jacket potatoes and sandwiches will be ordered via the class teacher in the mornings). Lunches for children in years 3 to 6 are priced at £2.30per day, please top up your child's Arbor account to pay.

w/c 26/04/21

<u>Monday</u> Pizza, Dough Balls, Veg or Beans	Jacket Potato or Sandwich	Iced Sponge
<u>Tuesday</u> Sausage & Mash	Jacket Potato or Sandwich	Shortbread & Custard
<u>Wednesday -</u> Roast Turkey, Potatoes & Veg	Jacket Potato or Sandwich	Flapjack
<u>Thursday</u> All Day Breakfast Sausage, Bacon, Toast, Potato Slices & Beans	Jacket Potato or Sandwich	Chocolate Brownie
<u>Friday</u> Fish Fingers, Chips & Beans		Ice-Cream



Warm weather

Now that the weather is warming up (hopefully), could you please make sure that your child has a water bottle and hat in school and that they are wearing sun cream if appropriate.

Children may bring suitable sun cream to school, to apply themselves, on very sunny days (we have found that the spray on types are easier for the children to apply).

Their sun cream and hats should be named.





With lockdown coming to an end are you ready to get outside and start your next adventure?

Then join Moorlands District Scouts and learn some new #SkillsForLife.

You can be part of the adventure, learning new skills and making new friends.

We cater for every age range and have 8 Groups spread across the Staffordshire Moorlands waiting for you to join!

Why not join us as a adult volunteer and learn some of your own #SkillsForLife. We have vacancies for adult volunteers across the District, so please get in touch today!

BEAVERS
Ages 5 ¼ - 8

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Ages 8 - 10 ½

SCOUTS
Ages 10 ½ - 14

EXPLORERS
Ages 14 - 18

60-Second Vegtastic Lunchbox Hacks

Veg are a key part of a healthy diet but it can be a real struggle to get kids to eat enough of them. Adding an extra portion or two to their packed lunch will help to up their intake. Try these simple ideas to **veg-pack their lunchboxes** with limited faff.

The basic toolkit:

- 🍷 **Containers** (small and lidded for dips, leftovers and more)
- 🍴 **Cutlery** (if needed)
- 🔥 **Thermos** (any heat-retaining flask is great for soups, baked beans, leftovers, etc.)
- 🍡 **Bamboo kebab sticks** (optional, but helpful for making veggies more fun)

Top tip: Know your portions – a child's portion of veg is roughly 50g or what fits into a child's hand.

#LunchboxHacks
@VegPowerUK
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For recipes, tips and free downloads visit: vegpower.org.uk

And The World Changed

Thank you for visiting the recent log installation in Tean - And The World Changed.

We would welcome your feedback on the installation and we would be grateful if you could email as your thoughts on the address below.

An external evaluator is collecting feedback, but only until the end of April. Please email Feedbackatwc@gmail.com

The artist will not be accessing the emails so it remains confidential.

Please pass this request on to anyone you know who has also seen the installation and wishes to share their feedback.

Thank you!



Reception/Y1 Muddy Mornings

I am pleased to tell you that our Reception/Y1 children will be taking part in our fun Muddy Mornings! This will consist of exploring the outdoor woodland area, learning stories and searching for exciting things like mini beasts in the outdoors.

We will be running the Muddy Mornings during the summer term. The dates for this are:

Wednesday 5th May
Wednesday 19th May

Please can you ensure that your child is wearing suitable clothes for both muddy mornings and PE. Please bring suitable footwear if it is wet.

I am sure that the children will thoroughly enjoy the Muddy Mornings experience and gain a lot from it.



Reminder

Please can all parents ensure their child's uniform is clearly labelled with their name. We have had a number of items go missing recently and these are extremely difficult to find if they are not labelled! Thank you.





IMPORTANT

NOTICE

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For Your Information

We would like to bring your attention to several points;

Our Pavement

We have noticed many people are not using the pavement, which wraps around the front of our school building. It is very dangerous for our pupils and their families to walk across the car park, as vehicles can be moving at any time. Please can we also remind our children that they should dismount scooters, or bikes as they come down the drive and push them along the pavement, around to the side of the school. These rules are in place to protect the safety of our Great Wood family, so please be extra mindful of them.

Staff Car Park

Once again we need to reaffirm that no vehicles (other than staff cars and deliveries) are permitted onto the staff car park. It has been brought to our attention that an increasing numbers of parents are coming down our drive to drop their children off at school. No vehicles are allowed down the drive and onto school property without prior arrangement. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Zig-Zags

Unfortunately, it has also been reported to us that parents are, once again, pulling up on the yellow Zig-Zags outside our gates to drop off their children. As we are sure that you are aware, this is not legal and a serious safety hazard. Please ensure that if you park/pull up to drop off, or pick up your children, that you do so well away from the yellow Zig-Zags.

Great Wood Hall

When parking on the Great Wood Hall car park, please can we ask you to walk down the driveway and cross the road with our amazing lollipop lady Jan. Please do not go down the steps at the side of Great Wood Hall, as it is not safe to cross the road here and Jan is unable to monitor this area, as well as her station. Again this is for the safety of our children and our families. Thank you, once again for your help with this matter.

Uniform

As per our Great Wood uniform list, we would like to confirm our Summer uniform is as follows.

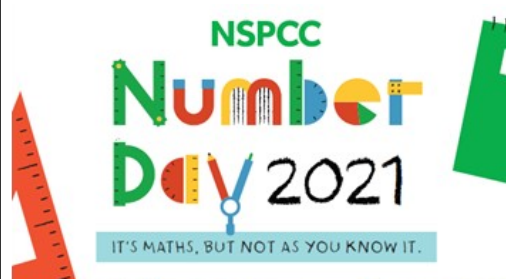
For girls it is navy gingham dresses (NOT pale blue ones) and white socks (NOT black ones) and a Great Wood, or navy cardigan.

For boys it is black shorts or trousers and black socks.

PE: Navy shorts, Great Wood PE top, Great Wood, or navy jogging bottoms and hoodie (not black or sports leggings) black pumps, or trainers of your choice, which are suitable for PE.

If you have any queries, please contact any member of our team, or the school office.

Thank you.



On Friday 7th May 2021 we will be supporting the NSPCC Number Day.

We are inviting our Great Wood children to wear their own clothes for the day; with a number on, or something green. If it is your child's PE day please send them to school in trainers with their own clothes.

During the day the children will take part in a number treasure hunt and a number of other fun math's activities.

Any donation towards the NSPCC would be very much appreciated.