



NEWSLETTER

Inspire ~ Nurture ~ Celebrate

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! I trust that you all had a lovely festive season and are looking forward to a very happy and healthy 2025!

The children have returned to school recharged and ready for a super term of learning. The spring term is always full of excitement and I know that Buttercross and Woodgate are very much looking forward to their trip to the National Space Centre next week!

This week, I also received an update from the Helping Our Ukrainian Friends Team. Your generous donations and Christmas Shoe Boxes were very gratefully received and the Team has asked me to pass on their many thanks to you all.



Attached to this newsletter, is an informative guide on 'Helping your child develop speaking and listening skills at home'. Oracy skills are an integral part of learning, both at school and at home, and have a huge impact on your child's academic achievement. As a parent myself, I know that it can be sometimes challenging to engage in conversation with your child after a full day of school, with children usually waiting until bedtime to offload! I hope that the information will help with opening up discussions.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,
Mrs Nicolson

Positive Posts

Roux B - for being kind and a super learner.

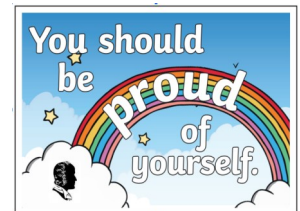
Leonardo S - for fantastic writing about space!

Margot S - for her ongoing contributions to learning in Swaddywell.

Ethan T - for super attitude towards learning and always striving for his best.

Dylan G - for trying so very hard to achieve his personal best in every lesson.

Arabella J - for trying so hard in science and helping others.



IMPORTANT - Parking



Parents/carers are only permitted to use the school car park between: 7.30am and 8.00am and after 4.00 pm*



When using the carpark during these times, please drive carefully and considerately. We also ask that families are considerate when parking around the village: please do not obstruct access to properties and keep the time you are waiting to a minimum.

* with the exception of Disabled Badge holders.

Class Attendance for the Week

Woodgate

Whole School Attendance for the Week

96.60%

Please ensure that all absences are reported to the School Office by 8:30am daily



Change of footwear



Please ensure that your child has a change of footwear in school every day, including PE days.



Some children have not been bringing a change of footwear on PE days and are having to wear their muddy trainers in the classrooms.

Nut and Seed Free School



Our school endeavours as far as possible to be a nut-free school, this includes sesame seeds.

Therefore we request that any food brought into school for lunches or snacks does not include any nuts or sesame seeds, this includes hummus.

John Clare Kitchen Menu – Week 2 – W/C 13/01/2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cowboy Hotpot made with Sausages	BBQ Chicken Fajitas	Spaghetti Bolognese Mixed Salad	Salmon & Sweet Potato Fish Cakes	Turkey & Pepper Stir Fry
Cowboy Hotpot made with Vegetarian Sausages	BBQ Quorn Fajitas	Quorn Mince Bolognese	Veggie Nuggets	Mixed Vegetable Stir Fry
Served with Sliced Beans	Served with Sweet Potato Oven Fries	Served with Grated Cheese & Garlic Bread	Served with Oven Chips Baked Beans/Spaghetti Hoops	Served with noodles and Veg

Salad bar to include lettuce, tomatoes, sweet peppers, cucumber, sweetcorn and carrots
A selection of hot and cold puddings, freshly baked wholemeal bread, fruit and water

School Noticeboard

Please check our school website for [upcoming events!](#)

January

- 13 SEND Cuppa & Catch Up
- 14 EYFS/KS1 Trip to the National Space Centre

SPRING TERM STAY AND SHARES

Following drop-off, please do come into school for a short assembly, after which you will be able to share your child's learning with them in the classroom!

Following your child's Stay and Share, you are very welcome to join representatives from the staff team for a cuppa and catch-up!

- 6th February- Torpel Class
- 13th February- Swaddywell Class
- 27th February- Broadwheel Class
- 6th March- Woodgate Class
- 20th March- Buttercross Class

