

CAM WOODFIELD INFANT SCHOOL

GROW – EXPLORE – DISCOVER

Newsletter 9 30th January 2026

Please look out for a paper copy of our Valentine's Disco letter.

If you would like your child to attend, please return the slip at the bottom of the letter along with a **£2 donation**. We hope to make some money for school funds so we can buy resources for our outside areas.



We are looking forward to welcoming you to Parents Evening on Wednesday 4th February and Thursday 5th February. If you have not signed up yet please do so as soon as you are able.

Please note that the sports clubs have been cancelled for that week. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. Planet Protectors will still be happening.

Parking & Safety at Drop Off and Pick Up

We know parking around school is challenging, especially during busy times. Your child's safety depends on how and where we all choose to park.

Please:

- Park considerately, safely and legally
- Avoid blocking driveways or double-parking
- Keep children's safety as your top priority when choosing where to stop



Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe.

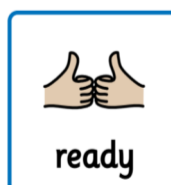
Lunchtime Manners: Well Done!

We're delighted with how hard the children have been working on their manners at lunchtime. More and more children are remembering to say 'please' and 'thank you' – well done to them all!

We are also encouraging the children to use their cutlery properly and are supporting them to develop these important skills.

How you can help at home

It would be brilliant if you could reinforce these skills at home too. Practising good table manners and using cutlery correctly will help your child feel more confident and independent at mealtimes, both at school and at home.



You may have noticed we have recently upgraded our school phone system. If you call and we are unable to answer immediately, you are now able to leave a voicemail message. This means you can share important information even when our lines are busy or staff are already on another call.



SAFEGUARDING

Please remember no mobile phones to be used in the school grounds.



safe



respectful



ready

We aim to create a safe, respectful environment for all our children at Cam Woodfield Infant School. It has recently been brought to our attention that some adults have been using inappropriate language, including swearing, during drop off and pick up times. This is concerning because:

- Children hear and copy the language used by adults around them
- It creates an uncomfortable environment for other families
- It doesn't reflect the values we're teaching the children at school

What we're asking

Please be mindful of the language you use when you are on school premises. We are teaching our children to communicate respectfully, and we need everyone to model this behaviour.

We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining a positive environment for everyone in our school community.

Working Together to Improve Attendance

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Lost minutes = Lost learning



While we understand that many recent absences have been due to genuine illness, we've also seen a number of unauthorised absences for other reasons, including term-time holidays. We are working hard to encourage good attendance, but this is undermined when children miss school for reasons that cannot be authorised. Every day of learning matters for your child's progress and development.

We want to work positively with all families to improve attendance and avoid the need for legal intervention. However, the Local Authority and government expect us to take action when attendance doesn't improve.

Please speak to us if you're experiencing difficulties getting your child to school. We're here to support you and find solutions together.

Dates

Wednesday 4 th Feb 3.40pm-6.30pm	Parents' Evening
Thursday 5 th Feb 3.40pm-6.30pm	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 10 th Feb	Year 1 Bake Sale at the end of the school day. Any donations gratefully received.
Thursday 12 th Feb 5pm-6pm	Valentine's Disco in the school hall
Mon 16 th Feb – Fri 20 th Feb	Half Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 23 rd Feb	Inset Day – staff training. NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN
Tuesday 24 th Feb	Back to School - Start of Spring Term 2
Monday 2 nd Mar 2.45pm-3.25pm	Reception Reading Cafe Afternoon with Families
Tuesday 3 rd Mar 2.45pm-3.25pm	Year 2 Reading Cafe Afternoon with Families
Wednesday 4 th Mar 2.45pm-3.25pm	Year 1 Reading Cafe Afternoon with Families
Thursday 5 th Mar	World Book Day – wear comfy clothes or pyjamas for a story themed day of activities.
Friday 27 th Mar 9.10am-9.40am	Year 1 and Year 2 Easter Celebration to parents
Friday 27 th Mar 1.20pm-1.50pm	Reception Easter Celebration to parents
Friday 27 th Mar 2pm	Early Finish at 2pm for the last day of term
Mon 30 th Mar – Fri 10 th Apr	Easter Holiday – School Closed
Monday 13 th Apr	Back to School - Start of Summer Term 1
Thursday 16 th April	Reception Bake Sale at the end of the school day. Any donations gratefully received.
Wednesday 22 nd Apr 2.15pm-3.25pm	Year 2 Family Activity Afternoon relating to the children's current topic
Thursday 23 rd Apr 2.15pm-3.25pm	Reception Family Activity Afternoon relating to the children's current topic
Friday 24 th Apr 2.15pm-3.25pm	Year 1 Family Activity Afternoon relating to the children's current topic
Monday 4 th May	BANK HOLIDAY – no school
Friday 22 nd May am	Sports Day – parents invited to watch
Mon 25 th May – Fri 29 th May	Half Term Holiday – School Closed
Monday 1 st Jun	Back to School - Start of Summer Term 2
Wednesday 17 th Jun	Parents are invited to join us for a whole school booknic
Wednesday 8 th Jul 3.40pm – 5pm	Meet the teacher drop-in meetings
Wednesday 15 th Jul pm	Year 2 Leavers Performance to parents
Friday 17 th Jul 2pm	Last day of the academic year - Early Finish at 2pm.