



# Wood End School

Learning Together, Respecting Each Other

News 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022



## Children in Need - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

The School Council would like to invite the children to wear pyjamas/a onesie (with school shoes or trainers) on **Friday 18th November** to raise money for Children in Need. We are collecting donations via a



[Just Giving Page](#) (no cash thank you)

Every penny donated goes towards helping disadvantaged children and young people right here in the UK. Their vision is that every child in the UK has a childhood which is: Safe; happy and secure, and allows them the chance to reach their potential.

We will also have a cake sale in the infant hall after school. Please bring (all year groups) cake donations on the day to the infant hall. Thank you.

## Anti Bullying Week – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November Odd Sock Day!

**Wear odd socks to celebrate the anti-bullying alliance**

**No donations required**



We have a new Site Manager. I am sure you will join us in welcoming Oleh Hryskiv who starts his position on the 5<sup>th</sup> December.



## Christmas Performances

DATE	A.M. PERFORMANCE	P.M. PERFORMANCE
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Nursery 9.00	Nursery 2.50
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 5 9.15	Year 5 2.30
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 4 9.15	Year 4 2.30
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 1 9.15	Year 1 2.30
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Year R 2.30
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year R 9.15	Year 2 2.30
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 2 9.15	
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 3 9.00	
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Year 6 9.00	

**Seat booking not required for Nursery, Year 3 and Year 6**

We are using Arbor software to allocate seats for the Christmas performances for all other year groups. Under 'Trips' you will be able to see two dates/times for your child's Christmas performance.

To reduce numbers at each event, we can only offer a **maximum of 2 seats per family**. Either two seats for one performance or one seat for each.

**IMPORTANT** to book please follow these instructions:

Select **ONLY ONE date for 2 seats** for that performance (leave other date **blank**)

Select **BOTH dates for ONE seat** at each performance.

The system opens **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November**, and will close on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**. In the event of spare seats, these will be distributed after the initial 2 tickets per family have been allocated. If you would like an extra ticket, please **speak to/telephone the school office** (not email).

A programme will be emailed to you separately, before the performance for you to keep (not required for entry).

If you do not have access to the internet, or if you are a parent/carer that does not live at the same address as your child, please contact the school office who will be happy to book seats on your behalf.



## *FoWE 'Fund the learning Hub' Launch*

As you may have seen, the school have set out their vision for an exciting new Learning Hub featuring a computer suite and new library, with construction to hopefully start in the new year. Last week was the launch of FoWE '**Fund the Learning Hub**' campaign where **FoWE has pledged to raise £100,000 to help fund the Learning Hub.**

Thanks to your generosity and support with previous fundraising events, we have already raised a fantastic **£50,000!**

In the entrance to the Learning Hub, we're creating a unique and permanent piece of art, a beautiful copper tree sculpture, representing our school and its community. Parents, carers, family, friends, and local businesses can help raise funds by pledging a donation which will be honoured with an engraved item on the tree.

A leaf with family or child(ren's name): min £50

An acorn with business' name: min £300

A bird with business' name: min £500

Leaves will be limited to one leaf per 'family' initially: a minimum of £50 per leaf with no limit on the donation amount. All donations (of any amount) will be gratefully received.

Please head to the following link to make your pledge and do share with any local businesses that you think would like to support us as well. Thank you for everyone's feedback and generosity so far; it's a big target but together we can help to create a wonderful space for our children and future generations to enjoy.

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/Fund-the-Learning-Hub-with-FoWE>



## Disco raises £1,300 for FoWE

A huge 'Thank you' to the reception team who co-ordinated the disco last week which raised a fantastic **£1,300 for FoWE**. The feedback has been really positive on how smoothly the event ran and the children had a great time - these events really couldn't happen without all the parent and teaching volunteers so many thanks to all involved for making it such a safe and successful event!

## Dates for your diary...

- Pre- loved uniform sale \*Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November\***

This will take place after school in the classroom next door to Pine class (off middle playground). We will be accepting both cash and card payments - uniform items £2 and PE Items £1. Please drop off any unwanted uniform in the drop point outside the office on the **morning of 23<sup>rd</sup> November only** - Many Thanks.

- Order your premium Nordmann fir tree by \*Monday**

**28<sup>th</sup> November\*** and £10 from each sale will automatically be sent to FoWE.

Trees are available for delivery or collection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> /3<sup>rd</sup> of December and orders can be placed via the following

link <https://www.foha.co.uk/fohashop/p/christmastrees> don't forget to select 'Wood End School' when you check out.



- Christmas 'Festive Friday' event \*Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December\***

This will take place after school in the picnic area and KS1 hall. The team have put together a fantastic event including cakes, hot drinks and there is even an 'Elfridges Secret gift shop' where children can purchase a gift and have it wrapped for a loved one! With performances from the school choir & Confident Kids - it's an event not to be missed! **Card and cash payments are both accepted** - we can't wait to see you there!

## Elfridges Secret Gift Shop

Please help us stock our Secret Gift shop for the Festive Friday Christmas event by donating any gifts that a grown up would love. These can be brought into school from Monday, 14th and popped into the collection bags in the classrooms.

Thank you

- Wood End Quiz Evening - Save the Date \*Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb\***

The quiz will take place in school on the evening of Saturday 4th Feb - watch this space for more details!

**Festive Friday**

FRIDAY, 2ND DECEMBER 3:15 - 4:30PM

**Join us after school for some festive fun!**

\*Fully loaded hot chocolate\* \*Warm mulled wine\*

\*Cookies, cakes, mince pies\*

\*Performances by the school choir and Confident Kids\*

and

**Elfridges Secret Gift Shop**

Children come get a secret gift for your grown up and the Elf Helpers will wrap it for you!

Cash and card payments accepted Venue: picnic area and Infant Hall



## Clothes and Shoe Bank Arrival

This week we have taken delivery of a bright red clothes and shoes bank, which is on the grass next to the KS2 building outside Rowan (YR4) classroom. Please can you bring in any unwanted clothing (NOT school uniform), paired shoes, towels, books & DVDs which can be placed into the bin. Every item donated will help to raise vital funds for both the Rockinghorse charity and we will also receive a small donation to FoWE based on the final weight of the contents. It's also a great way to encourage our children to sort through any unwanted items that could be recycled or reused and prevent unnecessary items going in to landfill.

## Your School Lottery - biggest ever prize!

# WIN A PS5 BUNDLE

## WORTH OVER £1000!



Thank you to everyone that supports Your School Lottery, we have just received a payment of £127 for last month for FoWE and this month Your School Lottery is currently offering its **biggest prize ever - a PS5 mega bundle!**

Head to <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/> to purchase your tickets ahead of the draw **each Saturday** to be in with a chance of winning! Every ticket raises money for the school!

Support Friends of Wood End each time you shop – sign up to [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/).



Find out more: <https://www.woodend.herts.sch.uk/whats-on/fowe-pta/news>



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Follow us on instagram: [@wood\\_end\\_school\\_pta](https://www.instagram.com/wood_end_school_pta)

### FoWE (Friends of Wood End School)

Charity name: Wood End School Parent Teacher Association

Charity number: 1055324

Email us: [fowe@woodend.herts.sch.uk](mailto:fowe@woodend.herts.sch.uk)

**Raise FREE donations** for us every time you shop online.

Over **4,000** shops and sites will donate!





# Admissions Open for Reception Places September 2023

Deadline for applications 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Please see our [website](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions) for further information or visit [www.hertsdirect.org/admissions](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions)

## HFL Education - Online Safety News – Autumn Term 2022

### Harpenden's Christmas Carnival – 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022



This exciting event will take place on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November from 12pm-6pm, with festive entertainment and activities throughout the Town Centre. A fantastic Christmas celebration for residents and visitors of all ages!

Following the popularity of previous Christmas events, the Carnival will include the features that Harpenden's residents and visitors have come to expect such as a Santa's Grotto, food stalls, fun fair rides, outdoor bars, the Christmas market, entertainment, a traditional procession and, of course, the spectacular Christmas Lights Switch On at 5.00pm. Further information can be found on our website: [www.harpenden.gov.uk/events-and-markets/events/ChristmasCarnival22](http://www.harpenden.gov.uk/events-and-markets/events/ChristmasCarnival22)

THE MAYOR OF HARPENDEN'S CHARITY

# CAROL CONCERT

FOLLOWED BY MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES

TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER, 6PM  
ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH, HARPENDEN

A TRADITIONAL SING-ALONG CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
INCLUDING PERFORMANCES BY  
ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH CHOIR,  
SIR JOHN LAWES SCHOOL &  
HARPENDEN ACADEMY

TICKETS £6 PER ADULT, CHILDREN FREE. ALL MONEY RAISED  
WILL BE DONATED TO THE MAYOR'S CHARITIES.

In aid of  
 **Essex & Herts  
Air Ambulance**  
Your local life-saving charity  
Charity Number: 1108989



## **((BOUNCE)) Harpenden - Here at Woodend Primary School.**

((BOUNCE)) improves weight loss up to 3 times faster than floor-based exercise due to the addition of gravity and g-force, it builds core strength quickly, is a cellular workout and detoxifies the body efficiently thanks to the lymphatic system being pumped as we jump. There's oodles of scientific research on the health benefits of rebounding, but most impressively we're aiming to lose over 700 calories per session, and have fun of course... that's what trampolines were made for!

You can find classes in the infant school hall every:

Monday 7:30-8:30

Thursday 7:30-8:30

Booking links below

[www.bookwhen.com/bounceharpenden](http://www.bookwhen.com/bounceharpenden)

[www.bookwhen.com/bounceharpendencentral](http://www.bookwhen.com/bounceharpendencentral)