



Woodfield School

Malmes Croft, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, HP3 8RL

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a couple of very busy weeks in school and out and about. All of our pupils are enjoying our animal theme, with visits from the ponies and a visiting farm onsite and also some animal themed visits offsite. We are looking forward to the final weeks of this half term as the weather starts to change.

Please have a browse through our workshops and ways of funding support for our school and see if there is anything for you to sign up to.

I wish you and your family a good weekend,

Best wishes,

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DIARY DATES





Headteacher Awards

	Awards for 25th September
Holly's Class	Jesse for settling back into routines
Samantha's Class	George for talking to new and different people
Aleigha's Class	Arlo for trying Yoga and copying different Yoga poses
Zoe's Class	Zakk for engaging in his learning
Becky's Class	Thomas for great walking around the school
Caitlin's Class	Daniyal for being so helpful in class
Caroline's Class	Corey for being very brave
Amy's Class	Finn for settling in well to Woodfield
Libby's Class	Khaya for great work during his morning jobs
Shabana's Class	Rafe for trying new experiences and responding well to them
Polly's Class	Lillie for demonstrating great understanding during our big book session and doing the animal actions to 'Animal Boogie'
Chrissy's Class	Hannah-May for doing an amazing job at work experience
Gemma's Class	Jordan for his great work in the coffee shop
Coffee Shop	



WELL DONE





Headteacher Awards

	Awards for 2nd October
Holly's Class	George for engaging in activities with little prompts
Samantha's Class	Ibrahim for coping well during his haircut with Sue
Aleigha's Class	Harry for showing more confidence in initiating communication to adults using his communication book
Zoe's Class	Reed for being welcoming to new friends
Becky's Class	Palwasha for being
Caitlin's Class	Archie for showing confidence with his walking
Caroline's Class	Rebecca for great work on transitions into our activity room
Amy's Class	James for trying new things
Libby's Class	Hayden for her lunchtime skills
Shabana's Class	Finley for lovely interactions during music therapy session
Polly's Class	Sienna for working with new staff members during lunch and developing her independent feeding skills
Chrissy's Class	Thanish for being much calmer in class, sharing spaces and equipment
Gemma's Class	Ben & Ella for working hard, being kind a being superstars (as chosen by their classmates)
Coffee Shop	



WELL DONE



Holly's Class.

Over the past few weeks, the children have enjoyed a range of activities both in class and in the local community. They particularly enjoyed making smoothies, developing practical skills such as safely chopping fruit and using a blender, with some also tasting their creations.

In music sessions with Kelly, the children have been building confidence with instruments and group participation while enjoying animal-themed songs, including *Old MacDonald Had a Farm* and *How Much Is That Doggy in the Window?*

The children have also stayed active through PE, developing their climbing and balancing skills and taking part in sensory circuits. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm, confidence, and physical skills continue to grow.



Samantha's Class

Over the past few weeks, we have been very busy in class, and the children have continued to make positive progress in their learning and development.

In Literacy, the children have enjoyed exploring a range of books and literacy resources through our continuous provision. It has been wonderful to see their growing interest in stories and their ability to engage with materials both independently and alongside their peers.

Last week, the children had a fantastic time exploring Vojo's Playbus. They shared the space and resources exceptionally well, demonstrating excellent cooperation throughout. They also transitioned to the front of the school building for the activity and managed the change of environment confidently, following adult instructions and expectations.

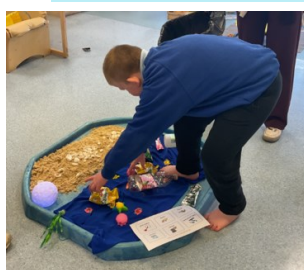
In Maths, we have been exploring money. Throughout this term, we will continue developing the children's understanding of money, focusing on recognising different coins and beginning to understand their values.

We will also continue exploring our local community. The children have particularly enjoyed our walks, which provide valuable opportunities to build confidence, independence, and awareness of the world around them.



Aleisha's Class

Aleisha's Class have been enjoying our topic all about 'Animals'. We have been learning about how to care for animals in different environments including at home and out in the community. For one of our sessions, we focused on 'cleaning' the ocean by removing litter from the 'sea' and 'sand' to protect the sea animals. In our technology sessions, we have been learning how to use and operate lighting equipment. Many of us enjoyed using a sea animal themed projector light, identifying what animals we could see and the colours we see. We were also very lucky to have a visit from 'Vojo's Play Bus', which gave us all a new experience with our peers, we all had lots of fun together – including adults!



Zoe's Class

Zoe's class have had another lovely couple of weeks! We have enjoyed developing our independence and communication skills while making delicious fruit kebabs in cooking and practising our life skills on trips to the local shop. In maths, we have been exploring 2D shapes through fun, messy and sensory activities. We have also enjoyed sensory circuits to support regulation and taking part in turn-taking games, helping us to build relationships and get to know our new class. We have had lots of fun during our music sessions with Kelly, exploring different sounds, instruments and songs together. We also are looking forward to our key stage 3 trip out to Woburn safari park! It has been a busy and enjoyable couple of weeks, with lots of opportunities to learn, explore and have fun together!



Becky's Class

In Becky's Class we have enjoyed taking part in a variety of sensory and learning activities. We have been enjoying Tac Pac sessions, helping the children explore touch, movement and music in a calm and engaging way. The children have also taken part in Attention Autism activities, encouraging attention and engagement through fun and motivating experiences. During our cooking sessions, the children have explored a range of ingredients, smells and textures, while our Touch and Taste activities have provided opportunities to experience different foods and sensory materials. It has been lovely to see the children engaging, exploring and enjoying these activities throughout the few weeks.



Caitlin's Class

We've had a very active couple of weeks, engaging with lots of sports, football, basketball, swimming etc. this has been supporting our interactions with our peers as well, developing positive and happy relationships. We are continuing our learning about animals and have had animals as our focus for signs of the week, learning marathon for gorilla, cat, elephant, pig. We are continuing our class/school jobs such as recycling, washing up, sorting clothes. We are doing great in our tuck shop lessons where the students understanding of using money is becoming more solid every week. We look forward to the rest of the term and starting to think about Halloween!



Caroline's Class

It has been a fabulous two weeks in Caroline's class. We are back in full swing of the term and the students have been busy. Our new community access bus trip on a Tuesday afternoon has been going well. We have been rotating the students in groups of 3 and driving to see the sights. This week we drove to the airport to try to spot some planes taking off! Our project of fur, scales and wings has been proving very fun- this week our art afternoon involved painting sensory scales in a group. We also have been singing and acting "We are going on a bear hunt" complete with props. The students have loved this and have been giggling and laughing as we all jump about. Our daily walk is going very well and is firmly embedded into our morning routine now. We have also been enjoying Imagination Dance in the hall and making homemade bread! A really fun term so far



Amy's Class

In Amy's class, we have been enjoying lots of exciting activities. We had great fun making our own pizzas during our cooking sessions and learning new skills in the kitchen. We have also enjoyed trampolining, which has helped us to stay active and build our confidence. In our music sessions, we have been choosing and singing our favourite songs, which has been a wonderful way to express ourselves and share our interests with others. Throughout the school day, we take part in a range of physical activities to keep our bodies healthy and our minds focused. We are always eager to try new things and have lots of fun learning together.



Libby's Class

Last week in 9 we enjoyed three birthdays of Josh turning 17 and Sam our H6 and our support staff Monique, we all sat for a class party and enjoyed lots of treats including cake! This week we have worked on lots of functional daily life skills including setting our table for lunch, getting our own cutlery and washing our plates in which we are focusing on independence at lunch. We are also enjoyed the reading corner and exploring lots of new books from the library which we rotate on Monday's.



Shabana's Class

It has been a busy and exciting couple of weeks in Shabana's Class! We have been developing our independence and communication skills by visiting the school coffee shop, making our own snack choices and confidently paying at the till. We have also been focusing on self-help and hygiene skills, including hand washing, tooth brushing, table cleaning, preparing for lunchtime and tidying away belongings and snack items. Pupils have continued practising how to communicate choices using their individual communication methods.

We have enjoyed a range of musical activities linked to our animal topic, including Animal Sound Bingo and identifying different animal sounds. The class has loved spending time in the sensory garden, taking part in an animal sensory hunt and exploring the wider school environment. Last week, we brought our class story, *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, to life through sensory walks and reenactments.

Alongside this, pupils have been following their individual physiotherapy programmes, developing physical skills and building confidence in accessing a range of activities, equipment and resources. A particular highlight has been our Wednesday morning music therapy sessions with Catherine where everyone has enjoyed making music together.



Polly's Class

Polly's class is continuing to join in really well with our big book 'Animal Boogie', doing the animal actions along to the song and finding the correct symbols on the ALD as the story is acted out. It has been wonderful to see all the students' enthusiasm during these sessions.

During maths sessions, the students have been developing their understanding of numbers through popular number songs, e.g., 5 Little Ducks Went Swimming One Day. We have also been using the language of more and less during tower building and when measuring out different quantities during cooking.

The class enjoyed a lovely session with the ponies last Wednesday, and we asked the keepers questions about how they look after them, so it made good links to our topic this term



Chrissy's Class

We have had a lovely couple of weeks in Chrissy's class. In the classroom, pupils have been working on creating sentences, practicing life skills and working together to create a winter/autumn sensory display for the corridor. Students have accessed the cookery room and are becoming increasingly more confident cooking chili con carne each week. Chrissy's class have also enjoyed some wonderful community access opportunities. Some students have taken part in weekly trips to Little Hay Golf Course where they have explored the driving range and joined in with foot golf. Some students have taken part in weekly work experience at Hill Farm Barn where they have looked after a variety of animals. Students have also enjoyed swimming at Westminster Lodge where they have had so much fun swimming and splashing in the water! This week, we welcomed Ibby back in class. We have all missed him and it has been lovely to have him back in class!



Gemma's Class

Gemma's class have been taking part in work experience at Hill Barn Farm, caring for animals through grooming and helping to keep their areas clean. Some students have also been swimming at Westminster Lodge, where they are making fantastic progress and gaining certificates for different levels of achievement.

At Little Hay Golf Club, students have enjoyed footgolf and using the driving range, developing their skills while having fun.

Back in class, we have been getting creative with Positive Pig as the main character in our own storybooks. Students have been creating storylines and taking photographs to bring their stories to life.

We also have a new sofa for our chill-out zone, purchased from the British Heart Foundation charity shop. Students chose their favourite, and thanks to Denise, we even received a discount! The sofa has been a big hit!



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Dates and times

Date: Tuesday 13th and 20th October, 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th November 2026

Time: 9.30am to 11.30am

Date: Wednesday 14th and 21st October, 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th November 2026

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

This will be delivered online via MS TEAMS

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Stay and Play for primary age children with Down Syndrome

What is Play and Learn Hub?

Play & Learn Hub is a relaxed Stay & Play group where primary age children with Down Syndrome can play, explore and build friendships, supported by their parents and our team.

The group is all about friendship, fun and positivity, helping children feel confident and included.

The group runs weekly on Saturday afternoons during term time and is supported by a team including a Play Leader and Support Workers.



At Play and Learn Hub you can expect:

- Play-based activities including crafts, games and sensory play
- Opportunities for children to build friendships and practise social skills
- A welcoming space for families to connect and share experiences
- Visits from private therapists (Physio / OT / SaLT) and other professionals
- A relaxed, supportive environment for children and parents

Where is Play and Learn Hub?

Venue: Applecroft
School, WGC, AL8 6JZ

Time: 2:30-4pm on
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