

FOWS NEWSLETTER

Summer 1 - 2024

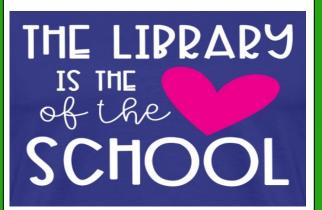
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Hello Summer! As the warm weather is gradually starting to show itself, we are keeping our fingers and toes crossed for beautiful sunshine at our Summer Fair on Saturday 22nd June. Please keep the date free so that you and your family can attend. We have been very busy bee's planning this event, so we can confidently say that there will be something for everyone! A brief summary can be found below, but watch out for our Summer Fair Event Programme, which will be packed with everything you need to know about the day. We also have a very exciting fundraising project to aim towards (the library), which will have huge benefits to the pupils at the school now, and for many years to come. Read on for more information...

Read all about it!! The FOWS team have been working closely with Mrs Oliver and are so excited to be able to support her vision for the schools rapid development. Over the 15 month period of interim Headteachers we have squirrelled away a very healthy sum, so when Mrs Oliver asked us if we could help pay for a BRAND NEW SCHOOL LIBRARY we were able to unanimously vote with a resounding YES!!

The current Music/Drama room will be receiving a total overhaul, with new shelving, seating, workspaces, and lots of cosy reading nooks. Not to mention a huge collection of new books and graphic novels to enthuse even the most reluctant of readers.

We will be sure to keep you posted once the final designs have been confirmed, and we can launch an official fundraising target for those last few (thousand) pounds to take us over the edge and buy our children the ultimate literacy resource.





Roll up, Roll up, for Woodlea's Summer Fair!! We have been blown away by the generous response from our local community when we advertised for event sponsors, and we have been able to secure an incredible £815 of pledges. This will go a long away to covering our expenses and making sure we put on a fantastic event for Woodlea's pupils, family and friends in the community. There's so much planned! But, in a nutshell, you can expect all of the following...

- ☆ 2 x Inflatables: A bouncy castle, and a 50ft obstacle course which ends with a 10ft tall mega slide!
- ☆ Hollybrook mobile farm
- ☆ BBQ, Bar, Candy Floss and Ice cream.
- ☆ The Vintage Coffee Box
- ☆ The Backyard Bug Experience
- ☆ Everyone Active, with a Kids Fitness Challenge & rowing machine.
- ☆ LOTS of games (subject to also having enough helpers. See page 2.)
- ☆ Arts & crafts, and wellie boot plant pots
- ☆ Face paint & Glitter tattoos

The Fair is taking place from 11am until 2pm on Saturday 22nd June. We look forward to seeing you there!

Contact FOWS...



Please get in touch by emailing **fowswoodlea@gmail.com** or send a DM via our <u>Facebook</u> page. You can also stay up to date with by visiting our <u>Website</u>



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URGENT: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! PLEASE HELP!

Did you know, there are 8784 hours in 2024! Please donate 1 of them to support your child's school.

Our annual summer fair is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It raises thousands of much needed funds for Woodlea as well as giving families an opportunity to come together as a community to share in lots of wholesome fun and games. But we cannot pull it off without the support of <u>lots</u> of fun-loving parents, school staff, grandparents and community members. A small army is needed to ensure the event runs smoothly and safely, and to create to some wonderful, life-long memories for our children.

The fair is taking place from 11am until 2pm, and we have divided our volunteers rota in to 3 x 60 minute slots so that nobody needs to give up their whole day (unless they want to!) and there is still plenty of time to enjoy the event with your family.

We need volunteers for...

	Volunteers needed
Traditional games such as Hook a Duck, Splat the rat, and tin can alley. (Pupils in year 5 & 6 , or at secondary school are welcome to volunteer for these rolls too, and can run their game with a friend.)	33!
Inflatables supervisors (big voice required!)	6
Food & drink servers (BBQ, Bar, Candy Floss & Ice cream)	6 - 9
Arts, crafts, and wellie boot planting	6
Setting up/Packing away. Setting up starts after school on the Friday afternoon, and continues from 8:30am on the Saturday morning. Packing away will start just after 2pm on Saturday.	As many people as possible!

You can volunteer on your own, with a partner/friend or with your child(ren). (The children of the FOWS team love contributing to our events!) And don't forget, everyone who helps with a FOWS activity throughout the year earns an entry in to our exclusive <u>Volunteers Raffle</u> every time they volunteer!

Please give an hour of your time to help us make this an incredible event. To volunteer, email naomi.wilson@fows.uk, or send a DM to the FOWS Facebook page.

Other Upcoming Events (Apart from the summer fair, obviously!)

Superman shop: Wednesday 12th June. Our annual shop returns, giving the children the chance to choose a gift for the special man/ men in their lives. Whether it's for dad, grandad, step-dad, big brother, or uncle, Woodlea's children can say thank you to their wonderful male role models with a small gift or two!

You can book your child's place by clicking here.

Ice-cream Social: Friday 19th July. We will be celebrating the end of the school year with a little party in the KS2 playground for all pupils, parents and staff. Further details will follow next term. all you need to know now is that it will be lots of fun, and there will be lots of ice cream! (What more could you want on a July afternoon?!) **Money for Nothing!** Don't forget, you can raise funds by doing absolutely nothing, and without it costing you penny!

- EasyFundraising.org.uk: You can raise a donation whenever you shop online! Register by clicking <u>here</u>.
- Use our **textiles bank** to recycle clothes, bedding, accessories and soft toys.
- Recycle your **empty ink cartridges** and put them in the box under the desk at the school reception window.