



# WOOD FOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Things that make us great!

We would love nothing more than to show you our school, however whilst we are unable at present to provide a tour of school for prospective parents, we would like to share with you some of the things that we pride ourselves on here at Wood Fold Primary School.

If you have any questions after viewing this, then please either telephone school on 01257 400271 or e-mail [enquiries@admin.woodfold.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@admin.woodfold.wigan.sch.uk) and either Mrs Gough, Headteacher, or Miss Cartwright, Acting Deputy Headteacher, will be more than happy to call you back to answer any questions you may have.

## Termly Reports

Following feedback from our parents, we now provide termly reports instead of one yearly report.

## Twitter

Each class has a twitter feed for you to follow and see what the children have been learning! We also have a whole school twitter feed and a sports feed.

## Meet the Teacher

At the beginning of each new academic year, we hold a 'Meet the Teacher' evening where parents can ask questions and get to know their child's new teacher.

## Book Looks

These take place every term to give you the opportunity to view your child's work. Our Books Looks are always very popular with the parents and the children love being able to share their favourite pieces of work.

## Two Parent Evenings

We hold two parent evenings, one in December and one in March.

## Weekly Newsletters

are e-mailed out every Friday to keep parents up to date with what is going on in school.

## Teachers are available each day before and after school

Teachers open the door in a morning and greet the children, they also bring the children out at the end of the day providing plenty of opportunities for parents to speak to teachers if needed.

## Vibrant Learning Environment

Classrooms are bright with plenty of light and space. White 'working wall' paper is used to show the learning journey.

## Reading Recovery Teacher & Maths Recovery Teacher

These are 2 specialist teachers who are able to support children who may be struggling with aspects of Reading or Maths to help them plug gaps and catch up

## Teaching Assistant in every class

The Teaching Assistants provide interventions if needed, support children with special educational needs and provide pastoral support for children at playtimes and lunch as well as in class.

## Rich Curriculum

Our curriculum is broad and balanced, well sequenced and knowledge rich. Check out the curriculum section of the school website to find out more about the topics we cover.

## Quality Resources

Including class sets of books for children to study both in English and across the curriculum; high quality technology to support teaching and learning, interactive boards, visualisers and class sets of laptops. There is also a wide range of PE equipment, games equipment for lunchtimes, Science investigation resources and much more.

### Early Birds & Night Owls

our before and after school club. Early Birds opens at 7.30 am, and Night Owls run two sessions, the first being straight from school until 4.30 pm, and the second until 5.30 pm. £4.00 charge for each session.

### Educational Visits to school

As well as trips out, some year groups have workshops in school; in the past we have welcomed Sublime Science, Altru Drama and Freshwater Theatre Company.

### Educational Trips

Each year group go on at least one trip each academic year. Previous visits include Farmer Teds, Chester Dewa Roman Experience, Staircase House, Southport 'Eco' Centre, Warner Brothers Studio Tour, and the Greater Manchester Police Museum.

### Residential Holidays

The children have the opportunity to take part in a residential weekend in Year 5 – The Anderton Centre - and a residential week in Year 6 – Boreatton Park.

### Forest School

Within our Forest school we have a pond, an amphitheatre, a maze and willow tunnels. The children carry out activities such as 'survival days' building shelters; lighting fires; pond dipping and building roundhouses.

### Extra Curricular Clubs

Each term we offer a range of extra curricular clubs run by all class teachers; previous clubs have included Drama, Football, Rugby, Film, Cheerleading, Mindfulness Colouring, Lego, Computer Aided Design, Choir, Spanish, Dance and Yoga!

### Staff Continuity

Our Teaching Assistants are also our lunch time and Early Birds & Night Owls staff. This means that children can build more effective relationships with the staff.

### Music Lessons

From Year 3 children are able to learn an instrument with lessons from Wigan Music Service teachers.

### Family Sports Day

Each year we hope for sun on our sports day! KS1 takes place in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. There is music and a compare, a catering van supplying refreshments and a family picnic at lunchtime!

### Easter & Summer Holiday Club

We provide a holiday club for four days at Easter, and two weeks in the summer holidays. The application form, together with payment information, is sent out a few months before these take place.

### Swimming

Children in Y4 have swimming lessons as part of the National Curriculum. These take place at All Seasons Leisure Centre in Chorley

### Wigan Music Service – Wider Opportunities

In Year 5, children are given the opportunity to learn an instrument as part of the curriculum, currently either the flute or clarinet, with the lessons being provided by Wigan Music Service.

### Sport at Wood Fold

Each year we enter several different sports competitions outside of school. Previous competitions have included gymnastics, swimming, football, cricket, dance, cross country and Town Sports.

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