

## Weekly Newsletter

### Rights Respecting Update

I am delighted to announce that the school is now officially recognised as a **UNICEF UK Silver: Rights Aware School**. Last week, we presented our evidence and shared our Rights Respecting journey so far with representatives from UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools Award team. A huge **thank you** to all the staff and children for all their hard work in this fantastic achievement. I would like to say a special thank you to Hayley, a Woodford Primary School parent, and Mike Hurlston, our Chair of Governors, for attending the assessment day and speaking on behalf of our school community.

The Rights Respecting Schools Award team works with schools in the UK to create safe and inspiring places to learn, where children are respected, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive. The Rights Respecting Schools Award embeds these values in daily school life and gives children the best chance to lead happy, healthy lives and to be responsible, active citizens.

The **Silver Award** recognises a school's achievement in putting the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child into practice within the school and beyond. It is granted by UNICEF UK to schools that show good progress towards embedding children's rights in the school's policy, practice and ethos.

The report given to school following the assessment reflects the hard work and dedication of everyone in school and shows that we are well on our way to achieving our Gold Award in the future! I wanted to share some of the lovely quotes from within the report that show how proud we are of everyone in the school community on this journey with us.

*'Staff are passionately committed to RRSA, and this is clearly reflected in the vision and values of the newly established school.'*

*'Social and emotional wellbeing is a priority, and pupils learn to develop healthy lifestyles.'*

*'Children are included and valued as individuals, and they are encouraged to celebrate diversity.'*



### PTA Fundraiser - 2025 Challenge

This week, the PTA have launched their **2025 Challenge**. We have sent a poster out with more details and sponsorship forms are in the children's book bags. The idea is that the children participate in any type of activity that they can be sponsored for, with an aim of raising £20.25 for the PTA. We look forward to hearing about what everyone gets up to!

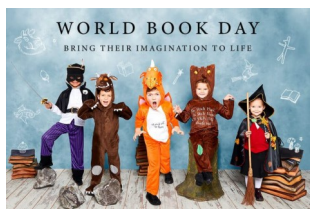


### Staffing Update

I am delighted to welcome Mrs Frazer to the Woodford staff team. Mrs Frazer brings lots of experience with her from Cheadle Hulme High School and we are very lucky to have her join our team. She is working in our school office, so do come by and say Hello!



### Donations for Pre-loved Sale - World Book Day Costume



The PTA will be holding a pre-loved sale before World Book Day on Thursday 6th March 2025. They are looking for any donations of costumes and accessories. If you have anything that you could donate, please bring it to the school office and drop it in the small room in the school entrance by

**Friday 7th February**. Thank you for your support.

### Important Dates

3rd Feb	Children's Mental Health Week
6th Feb	Y1 visit to Chester Zoo
11th Feb	Safer Internet Day
14th Feb	Last day of half term
24th Feb	School re-opens for pupils
6th Mar	World Book Day

**[For a full summary of dates over the year, our Annual Planner can be viewed here](#)**