



# HOW WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Head Teacher: Mrs C Rowe  
Newsletter 3



22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents,

*We are not makers of history. We are made by history.*

*Martin Luther King Jr.*

Half term is upon us and I am thrilled to be able to say, 'We made it!' The children have had a very positive start to the school year and have been absorbing their new learning like sponges; they deserve their half term break and I hope that the weather is kind so the children can enjoy their holiday and play outside as much as possible.

Transition Week has gone well. The children have quickly adapted to their new teacher and they are all set for next half term.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for your continued support. Thank you for supporting your children with their learning; thank you for your kind donations to the Food Bank; thank you for wearing your masks; thank you for remaining positive and cheerful. The staff and I hope you have a lovely break next week.

## **How Wood School Community Food Bank**

Within the How Wood School community, there are families experiencing financial difficulties and hardship. We would like to offer support to these families and have decided to establish the **How Wood School Community Foodbank** which will run throughout the year. Non-perishable items can be brought to the school reception and left in the containers provided. Boxes of essential items will be delivered to families within our community, half-termly.

## **Pupil Premium and Free School Meals**

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school. Please see separate letter sent for more detailed information.

## **Staff Appreciation Board**

The following staff have been recognised since the last newsletter:

- ❖ Mrs Parkins and Mrs Hardcastle: *"My daughter is excited about learning again ... great thanks Mrs Parkins and Mrs Hardcastle."* Mrs Hicks

Please remember to send your 'appreciative comments' to [head@howwood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:head@howwood.herts.sch.uk)

## House Captains

The result of our House Captain votes were announced this morning and we are pleased to welcome the following children as House Captains for this academic year:

**Friendship: Sophia & Maxwell**

**Determination: Harrison & Ellie**

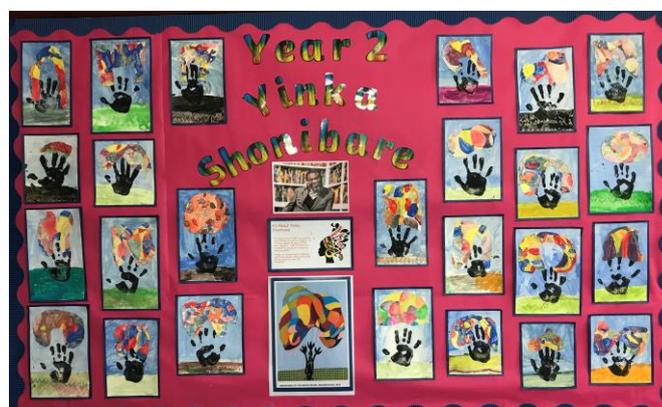
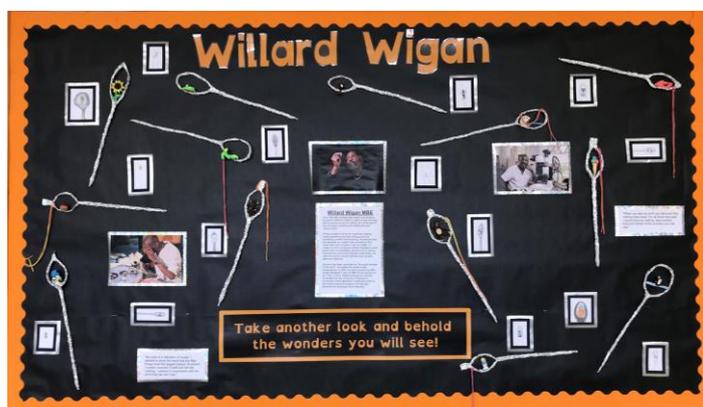
**Respect: Lucie & Siena**

**Courage: Clarice & Elijah**



## Black History Month Art Work

The artwork the children have produced has been of outstanding quality and now adorns the display boards around the school. We will be entering some of the work in the St Albans Rainbow Trail creative competition so, 'Watch this space!'



## **Polite reminder**

Parents and Carers are not permitted to enter the school building without an appointment at any time. If you would like to talk to a member of staff, please either call the school on 01727 768885 or email [admin@howwood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@howwood.herts.sch.uk). Thank you for your co-operation.

Kindest regards

Cynthia Rowe

## **Dates for your diary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Year 5 swimming begins</b>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Occasional Day
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas begins at How Wood</b> 
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December - <b>Finish at 1.30pm</b>	Last day of term

# How Wood Primary School

## Term Dates 2020 - 2021

### Autumn Term

INSET Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Children back to school: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Half term: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020

INSET Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Children back to school: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Occasional Day Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November

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### Spring Term

INSET Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Children back to school: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Half term: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Children back to school: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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### Summer Term

INSET Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April

Children back to school: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

May Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

Half term: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Children back to school: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

INSET Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July