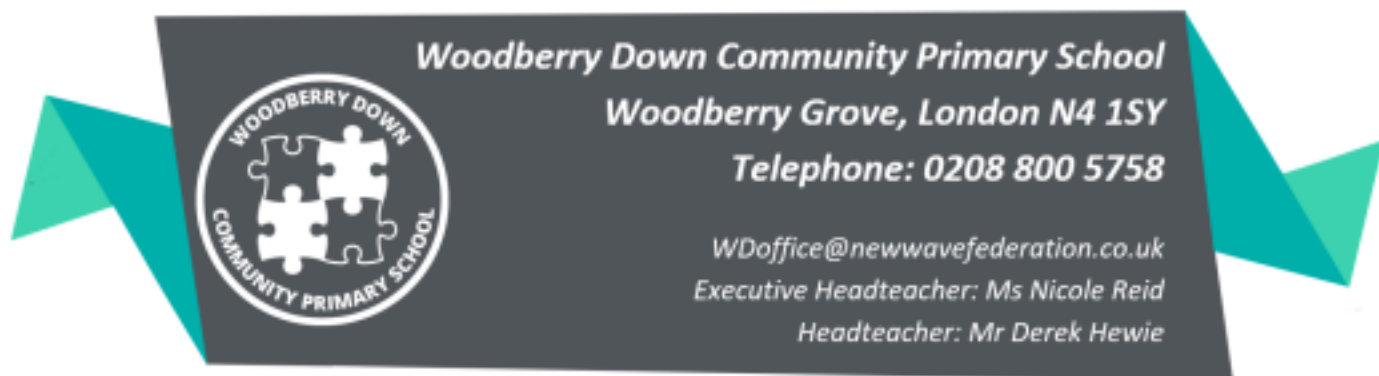




Monday 13th July 2026

Dear Year 5 Families,

Re: Top Hall Incident

I am writing to inform you about an incident that occurred in the school's Top Hall today involving our Year 5 children.

While the children were in the hall, a patch of ceiling plaster unexpectedly fell from above. I want to reassure you that while some children did sustain minor injuries and required medical attention from our first aid team, nobody was seriously injured. However, we fully appreciate that this was a distressing and shocking event for the children present.

The safety and well-being of our pupils is our absolute priority. We are treating this matter with the utmost urgency and are already working directly with Hackney Council to investigate the root cause of this. In the meantime, the Top Hall has been strictly closed and cordoned off. It will remain completely out of use until a full structural assessment is completed and the area is certified as safe.

If your child has been affected by this incident, or if you have any questions or concerns regarding their physical or emotional well-being, please come directly to the school office to speak with myself or a member of the senior leadership team.

I want to extend my sincere thanks to the Year 5 children for their bravery and cooperation during a very difficult situation today. Thank you also to our families for your ongoing support and understanding as we work with the council to resolve this matter comprehensively.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Derek Hewie', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Derek Hewie
Headteacher