

Wednesday 8th October 2025

## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

We would like to inform you that the October half-term break for **Woodpecker Hall Academy** will be **one week only**.

• Last day of school: Friday, 24th October 2025

• First day back: Monday, 3rd November 2025

We understand that some schools, both within and outside the borough, may have a two-week half term. If you have other children attending schools with different term dates, please ensure that your child at **Woodpecker Hall** returns on **Monday, 3rd November**.

Please note that any absence beyond the designated one-week break will be recorded as **unauthorised**, unless there is a valid reason or exceptional circumstance (in which case supporting evidence may be requested). Unauthorised absences may result in a **Penalty Notice**.

## A gentle reminder:

- A Penalty Notice is £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days.
- This will reduce to £80 per parent, per child, if paid within 28 days
- Continued unauthorised absence may lead to further legal action.

Regular attendance plays a vital role in your child's learning and progress, as well as helping to avoid unnecessary penalties.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

**Kind Regards** 

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**Nicky Ross** 

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