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Friday 25th January 2019

Dear Parents/ carers.

We are very fortunate to have amazing staff at Woodloes and we enjoy high levels of stability but there have been a few changes recently and I would like to provide you with a short summary of who you might contact at school should the need arise.

In the first instance, please make contact with your child's class teacher. They are brilliant and know best how to support your child; in almost every situation they will have the right answer to your question and will want to help.

Secondly, you could contact a member of our senior management team which is comprised of Tina Lambert (Reading), Helen May (Writing), Sunny Khaira (Maths) and Sarah Evans (EYFS). Matt Clark has also recently joined the SMT with a responsibility for managing learning support and professional development. Our SMT members have a huge wealth of experience and can offer you support with subject specific enquiries across the school or if you have a more general concern.

If you have worries about keeping children safe then our safeguarding team is Victoria Furlong, Tina Lambert and Matt Clark. Additionally, I am the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) for the school and if you have any concerns whatsoever then please contact any one of our DSL team for advice and support.

Unfortunately, Mrs Stevens has been unable to return to school this term but Mrs Barlow has assumed the Acting Deputy position during the spring term. She maintains her responsibilities for curriculum and assessment but in summary, her new role means that in my absence she is the most senior member of staff on the leadership team and if you have any concerns then she will be able to offer you her expertise and support.

I hope this information provides you with reassurance that we have excellent strength in depth at Woodloes and a useful clarification regarding who you might approach for advise and support should the need arise.

Many thanks for your continuing support!

Andy Mitchell — Head Teacher

# What's Going On ......

Tuesday 29th January -Year 4 Swimming Wednesday 30th January -Year 3 Assembly Friday 1st February -Class Photos Achievement Assembly Class RL, Years 1, 3 & 5

Year 1 have been making bird feeders as part of their topic this half term. They are looking at families of animals and how to look after birds in winter. the



# **Governor Focus**

As Safeguarding Governor for the school, I visited school last week to review the newly updated Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy (available to read on the school website) and to check that all records, reports and training requirements around safeguarding in the school are up to date. It is very reassuring to see that the school operates a culture of vigilance around safeguarding pupils (Louisa Farino, Community Governor).

### Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 5SB (Mrs Barlow) with 99.6%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.7% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 100 pupils = 26%

## What I love about Woodloes ......

I love everything about Class 5SB because it's challenging and fun and we have the best teachers ever! Kajetan Year 5







Always ask permission of other children's parents before posting photographs or videos where they can be seen.

Recommended app: Piiig Labs is a creative science-based app which teaches children to use their logic as they complete various experiments. There are 8 activities to complete and fun interactive images to play with which will challenge your children; budding scientists will build everything from a light bulb to a volcano and watch as they come to life once each is successfully put together. (£1.99 App Store)

### Focus on Excellence

The year 4's have embraced their new topic 'Mighty Mountain' with some children designing word searches as part of their homework. The children have thoroughly enjoyed finding the hidden words and linking the words to their learning. Keep them coming in!

The year 4's have made a splashing start to their swimming lessons and well done to all of the children for representing Woodloes Primary School by showing excellent manners and behaviour.

Active Maths has been a huge success since its whole school implementation in January. The Year group have fully immersed themselves into increasing levels of physical activity and learning maths at the same time! Children are showing confidence and enjoyment in learning mathematical concepts. Well done year 4!







# Other News .....

#### Data Collection/GDPR

As mentioned in our 11th January newsletter, we are sending out documentation today (in sealed envelopes) regarding the above. Please take time to read this, update, complete and return the necessary documents within the given time frame. It is important that we receive this back from you. If you have any queries, please speak to the school office. Thank you

## School Uniform

We would advise that Rascals School Outfitters will be closing on Saturday 2nd February, due to the owner, Tony, retiring. We would like to wish Tony all the best for his retirement and thank him for providing a uniform service to countless parents/carers over the last few years. Our school uniform is still available from our online supplier—yourschooluniform.com

Warwickshire Gang Show (WAGS) is a vibrant family variety show performed by members of Warwickshire Scouts and Guides each year at the Royal Spa Centre in Leamington. The 143 strong cast include many past and present pupils. Show dates are 26th February to 2nd March. If you would like to book tickets please visit <a href="https://www.wagsgangshow.org.uk/">https://www.wagsgangshow.org.uk/</a>

Extra Curricular Warwick School are advertising half term activities. Please visit https://www.warwickschool.org/february-half-term-2019 for full details