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Friday 11th October 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

The biggest news at Woodloes this week has nothing to do with the Rugby World Cup or Brexit and everything to do with chickens! Children in Reception recently took delivery of some eggs and an incubator and now we have 9 healthy, happy little chicks that have created a sense of awe and wonder around the school. It is amazing how much interest the chicks have caused and I think plans are developing for them to go on tour-visiting every class at some point during the coming weeks.

The 'chicks' are a great illustration of how we plan the children's curriculum to ensure they become enthusiastic and engaged leaners. In addition to providing exciting content, we are also focussing very specifically on the development of sequences of learning to help children improve their thinking skills and secure a deep understanding of important knowledge to improve memory and recall. In essence, we are teaching them good stuff they will remember better.

Many thanks for your continuing support.

Andy Mitchell — Headteacher

What's Going On

Tuesday 15th October -Year 4 swimming

Thursday 17th October -Year 5 Trip to Cadbury World

Friday 18th October -Achievement Assembly, Years 1, 3 & 5 This week, the year 6 children participated in a fun filled Active Maths session. The pupils played 'Minute Bomb' as a warm up. They then estimated how long it would take them to run the length of two netball courts, one netball court and the length of the field. The children then calculated the difference between the estimate and actual time.





Governor Focus

Meetings of the full Board of Governors at Woodloes take place half termly and our next meeting is due to take place on 22nd October 2019. Items that we will be discussing include the school's progress to date against this year's Learning Improvement Plan, which is a key document for the school. We shall also be reviewing the responses from the Parent Survey we conducted in the summer term and will agree actions based on our findings.

> Louisa Farino Chair of Governors

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 4SM (Mrs Skirvin/Madan) with 98.6%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.8% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 261pupils = 66%

What I love about Woodloes

What I like about Woodloes is subjects like art, computing and P.E and especially playtime! Adit, Year 5



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Friends of Woodloes School

As advised in the newsletter last week, Friends are holding a disco on Thursday 24th October and will be sending out full details shortly. Children are invited to dress up in 'Halloween' theme if they want to!

Saplings/Reception/KS1 4.30pm to 5.30pm KS2 5.45pm to 6.45pm

Meanwhile, we are looking for volunteers. If you can help in any way, please let Mrs Valentine or Miss Lyons (in Year One) know.



Focus on Excellence

This week in Science Year One have been learning about our different body parts. We have sung heads,

shoulders, knees and toes and have enjoyed a game of Simon says. We have made and labelled crazy pictures ourselves and used our phonics to help us!

Have a look at some of our pictures...





Other News

Year 5 Marle Hall Trip

As per our recent letter:-

if you wish your child to go on this residential trip next year, the deposit of £50.00 (non-refundable) is required on/before 14th October by parentpay.

Extra Curricular

Liz England (who runs our lunchtime dance club every Monday) is holding a 'Strictly Sparkle' dance class for children, family and friends to enjoy together on Saturday 9th November 2.30pm to 4.00pm at Hatton Village Hall. Children are encouraged to dress in a 'Strictly Style'. For tickets contact Liz England on 07890 118923.

Health & Safety

As many of you are probably aware, there appears to be an awful lot of 'roadworks' taking place in Warwick at the moment, which is slowing a lot of people down. If necessary, please allow extra time for travel during these works. There has been a marked increase in the number of children late to school recently and they are missing valuable 'introduction to their lesson' time at the start of the school day, which will inevitably have an impact on their learning. We understand it can be difficult but, by just allowing a little extra time, hopefully you can ensure that your child arrives at school on time.

Warwick District Council have asked that, in particular, we highlight the current works being undertaken at 'Stanks Island/Birmingham Road' pedestrian routes. Please be mindful of these and use the temporary designated pedestrian areas that have been implemented to ensure everyone's satefy.