



Dear Parent/Carer,

Those of you who have known me for some time will know that one of my most frequently used words is 'partnership'. I talk and write a lot about the importance of partnership between CAT schools, Woodloes and other consortium schools in Warwick and Southam but most importantly I talk about the partnership between home and school. It is impossible to over-state the importance of working together for the benefit of your children and your contribution as parents and carers is critical in ensuring your children stay on track to achieve their full potential.

To support our partnership so far this term we have put on curriculum information evenings for every year group and have held parent's evenings this week. The exchange of information between parents and staff is incredibly helpful to ensure we can all work together to support your children. Many thanks to those of you who have taken the time to attend these meetings; I hope you found them useful. If you haven't been able to attend so far please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher to see how things are going.

Andy Mitchell, Headteacher

What's Going On

Tuesday 17th October 1.30-2.30pm Reception 2018 Open Day (1 of 2)

Wednesday 18th October 9.15am KS1 Production

Thursday 19th October 9.30-10.30am Reception 2018 Open Day (2 of 2)

Thursday 19th October—Last day of this half term

Friday 20th October Teacher Training Day

Coming Up

Thursday 2nd November—Friends Pumpkin Party (details to follow)

Friday 3rd November 9.15am Reception Fire Engine visit

Reception enjoyed their autumn walk on Tuesday!

We walked to the park and collected conkers, acorns, twigs and bright, colourful leaves to start making autumn artwork next week.



Governor Focus

Over the next few weeks we will introduce members of our local governing body starting with the Chair of Governors - Sue Robinson:

I have been a governor at Woodloes Primary School since November 2009. I saw the school start its journey as a new primary school, watched the old infant school being demolished and the new section of the school being built. I became a parent governor when my two boys started at Woodloes but having enjoyed their time at primary school they are now at secondary school and about to become teenagers. I am currently a community governor and as Chair am regularly in school attending meetings and monitoring visits. The role of governor has been very rewarding particularly seeing Woodloes Primary School going from strength to strength.

Attendance News

Highest class attendance for last week—Class RS(Mrs Stevens) with 100%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.4% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 243pupils = 63%



What I love about Woodloes

I love the English lessons that the teachers set for us, because it stretches my brain. It makes me think hard.



Woodloes' Online Safety Committee's message this week is:

Never share your passwords; someone you think you can trust might change your scores or make bad choices and everyone else will think it's you.

Do you want to practice your word ordering in sentences? We recommend this online game (tablet friendly): <https://www.spellingcity.com/unscramble-the-sentence-vocabulary-game.html?listId=15887144>

Pupil Voice (This week—Sport)



Last week two Year 5 pupils, Chloe and William, were invited to represent Warwickshire in the West Midlands Pentathlon Final in Birmingham. They took part in PolyBat, Table Cricket, Kurling, Boccia, Precision Bean Bag, Javelin and running relays. The team finished third with Chloe and William both receiving Bronze medals and a team trophy. Both pupils were a credit to their school. Well done!



Focus on Excellence

The learning in Year 2 has been very exciting recently. We have been reading the story of 'Meerkat Mail' by Emily Gravett and have done a fantastic job of retelling the story in English. The Y2's, however, were horrified the other day when they discovered a horrific crime in the Y2 area. Sunny the meerkat had been kidnapped by the jackal from the story! They had to unpick the clues left to discover what had happened, then created wanted posters to try and catch the criminal. In addition, the children have worked together to design and make traps to catch the sneaky jackal. Fingers crossed we catch him and have Sunny the meerkat returned safely soon!



Other News

Friends News —Save the date! **Pumpkin** disco Thursday 2nd November (Saplings/ Reception/KS1 4.30pm to 5.30pm. KS2 5.45pm to 6.45pm). Look out for flyer in book-bags! Come and enjoy the disco, treats, activities and fun (fancy dress optional), £1.00 admission.

Please also note, Friends will be sending out Rudolph 'design your own Christmas cards and/or mugs' soon, so look out for this.



Extra Curricular—There are a variety of different clubs on offer (see latest timetable on website). We would like to encourage all children to participate in at least one extra curricular activity. There are a number of spaces available in some of the clubs, including street/pop dance, Go Go Makers, Onside Coaching. Speak to the school office (or drop us an email) for further information.

Year 5 Marle Hall—Quick reminder to Year 5 parents/carers that the £50.00 deposit is required on/before Monday 16th October.

Harvest 2017—Please bring in your donations of rice pudding, tinned spaghetti, small bags of sugar, tinned fruit, long life fruit juice, long life milk, instant mash, sponge puddings, pasta sauce, shower gel, deodorant, shampoo, shaving foam, toilet rolls on/before Wednesday 18th October. Thank you

Lost Property—We are only 5 weeks into the new school year and already have a 'mountain' of lost property items! We do not have the facility to keep items long term and would therefore ask that, if your child is missing any uniform, you pop in and have a look at the 'mountain' before we donate it to the air ambulance clothing bank at the end of this half term. PLEASE ensure you take time to 'name' your child's uniform during half term and then items can be easily and quickly returned to your child.