



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back— I hope you all had a lovely break over the Easter holidays!

A few things have made me smile this week. It was fantastic to see a hall full of smiling eager faces in assembly on Monday. The children had clearly had a lovely break but were happy to be back at school too and we had a good chat about the term to come and some key priorities which they listened to with their usual maturity.

Secondly, as I am not on social media, I have been made aware of a stunning comment that someone has posted about our school which I need to mention here too. They said; *"I feel very lucky my son goes to THE BEST primary school in the Midlands! I am a supply teacher and have worked at the majority of schools in Warwick/Leam/Coventry and surrounding villages. I can honestly say I think Woodloes is head and shoulders above the rest"*.

All I can say to that is simply 'Wow' and thank you so much for your kind acknowledgement!

Finally, we are all looking forward to our favourite, busy term which will include residential visits in Y5 and Y6, SATs, reports and sports day to name just a few headliners and we are looking forward to ending the year on a fantastic high!

Many thanks for your continuing, invaluable support.

Andy Mitchell (Head Teacher)

What's Going On

Summer Term

Tuesday 24th April—Year 3 start swimming lessons (which will continue throughout the summer term)

Friday 27th April—First Achievement Assembly of the summer term

Year 6 have enjoyed creative artwork linked to their new topic: Rainforests. They used a variety of media such as oil pastels, tissue, collage paper and chalk.



Governor Focus

As the Governor responsible for monitoring the subject of music within Woodloes, before Easter I was pleased to sit in on Years 1 and 2 singing lesson and also the drumming rehearsal in preparation for the performance. It was great to see so many children enjoying music in the school.

At the moment, Mrs Eldridge (Music Co-ordinator/Teacher) and I are discussing the review and update of the school's Music Curriculum Policy to reflect all of the musical activity going on within school.

Louisa Farino, Governor

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 2L (Miss List) with 99.2%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.1% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 53 pupils = 13%

What I love about Woodloes

I love school because we have fun and I love learning about all subjects. The learning is fun too. I get to play with my friends. There are good clubs. We get to play on the adventure playground.
Lauren Year 4



Internet Matters (internetmatters.org) explains clearly what parent controls are, the difference between privacy settings on a variety of sites and gives step-by-step instructions on how to set parental controls on different devices around your home.

Recommended app: Lego Juniors Create and Cruise
A free game for iPads and iPhones which sparks imagination and building skills. Build your own truck, then use it to bring your cargo to its right destination, and collect coins to earn more LEGO parts.

****REMINDER**** If not already done so, please return signed 'Acceptable Use Agreement' on Monday!!

Pupil Voice (This week—Bikeability)

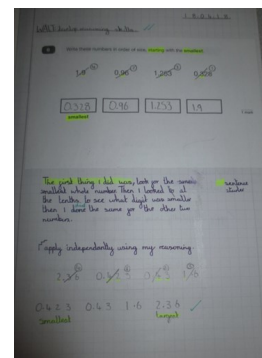
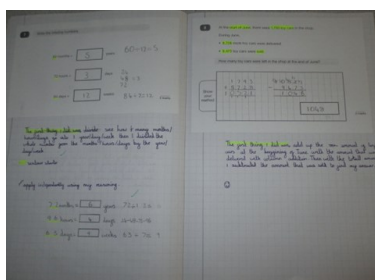
This week 22 pupils from Year 5 have been taking part in Level 2 Bikeability and have been highly praised by the instructors for the way they have cycled and how their manners and behaviour has been a credit to the school. Well done to all involved!

REMINDER - Year 4 pupils that had their place confirmed will need their bikes and helmets on Tuesday next week (24th April) to complete their Level 1 training.



Focus on Excellence

This week, Year 5 have been further developing their application of reasoning within maths. We have been looking at SATS style questions and having some very thorough discussions about how we would approach each question. Then, using our Maths sentence starters, we have used reasoning to 'prove' our answers are correct and explained how we formed them. As you can see from the examples this produced some outstanding work.



Other News

Summer Term—Now that we are finally experiencing some warm weather, please may we remind you to ensure that your child is appropriately equipped for the weather conditions ie., sunhat if hot (with suncream, if appropriate, being applied before school). Please also ensure that your child has a 'named' water bottle in school too.

Music Tuition— Payments are now on Parent Pay for the summer term. Please log onto your account and make the necessary payment on/before 4th May.

Extra Curricular—You will have received the Summer Extra Curricular Timetable (which was sent out at the end of last term). We do encourage children to participate in at least one extra curricular activity, as research shows that there are huge benefits to children who do join clubs ie., increase in confidence/self awareness/social skills etc etc. If your child does not currently take part in any clubs and are interested in any of the advertised activities, please speak to the school office for further details. (Dramalings and Onside Coaching, in particular, are currently advertising spaces within their clubs). Please ask what other clubs have spaces!

Reception September 2018—If you have a child due to start school in September, you should by now have received your offer of a school place. If not, please speak to the Admissions office on 01926 414143. A number of parents/carers have advised that they received communication regarding an offer, but the instructions are unclear as to what they need to do. Please therefore speak to the Admissions office in this event, to ensure that your child's place is secured for September. To all relevant parents/carers of September Reception children who are starting with us in September — we will be writing to you shortly to invite you to a meeting in May.