



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a week of important announcements and various authorities have been considering their positions and updating their guidance to schools. We were all hoping the national data pertaining to Covid 19 would allow us to relax restrictions further from 21st June but sadly, the reality is that we need to hold our current position until the end of term.

Plans we were developing to support transition and for more social end of term events now need to be re-considered and we have been advised to manage our end of year contacts remotely wherever possible. We will look again at our transition plans in the next couple of weeks and our plans to hold our amazing Wood-fest Celebration will hopefully be reinstated in the autumn term.

As frustrating as this for all of us, I do understand the decision to err on the side of caution for the sake of a few more weeks. Positive case numbers have increased again and we do need to continue to be careful until the vast majority of the population are vaccinated. Local case rates continue to be low in Warwick but there have been some class closures in Warwickshire schools, so the local authority are understandably advocating a cautious, careful conclusion to the school year.

In more positive news, the quality of the children's work continues to rapidly improve and the children across the school are super-motivated. There has been a massive push to improve the accuracy and quality of the children's written recording and I have been handing out pen licenses for excellent work in all directions. Subject leaders and governors are working together in the next couple of weeks to look in detail at the standard of the children's work and we will be reporting some of the highlights in the weeks ahead.

Many thanks for your continuing support. Stay safe.

**Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher**



In Year 2 we have been growing our own beanstalks in hope that they grow as tall as Jack's and reach the giants castle in the sky! We have looked at parts of the plants in Science and have written instructions as to how to grow your own beanstalk in English.

## Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 5W (Miss Winstanley) with 99.6%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.3%  
(school target 96.5%)

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

I like maths because you sort out problems!

Theo  
Year 1



## Focus on Excellence

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in Ancient Egyptian times?

Last half term, during their topic of 'Tomb Raiders', Year 5 all had the opportunity to explore this. Linked to this, all of the children produced superb cross-curricular work, both in school and for homework, with the topic culminating in an Egyptian Day; thoroughly enjoyed by all of the Year 5 team.

As well as looking amazing in their outfits, during the Egyptian Day the children completed a team building activity, which resulted in them making human mummies (all internal organs were left intact, unlike mummies in ancient times!), made and decorated papier mache clay topped canopic jars, created and painted Ka statues and baked and ate Egyptian bread (dipped in homemade hummus). If you would like to see photos and video clips from this day, please go on the Year 5 virtual classroom page on the website where you will find these.

This half term, the children are continuing to be enthusiastic learners linked to their new topic, 'Location, Location, Location' in which they will be exploring the Amazon Rainforest.

Well done Year 5, you should be rightfully proud of your continued social and academic achievements and enthusiasm towards your learning.

Mrs Barlow and Miss Winstanley

## Other News .....

### School Crossing Patrol—Millers Road, Warwick

Richard, the school crossing patrol on Millers Road, is retiring this week due to ill health. Richard has worked on Millers Road for 4 years, but has been a school crossing patrol in Warwick for 14 years serving the community. We wish Richard all the very best for his retirement and thank him for his commitment to our school community over the past few years.

From next Monday, the crossing site on Millers Road will be unmanned until further notice. When a school crossing patrol leaves, Warwick District Council review/assess the site for need and they will advise in due course the position regarding this.

### Sunshine!

As the weather continues to be lovely and warm and children are now starting to take off their sweatshirts, cardigans during the course of the school day, can we PLEASE remind you of the importance of ensuring your child's uniform items are all named. We seem to have an increasing number of children who can't find various items. If they are not named, we can't return them to their rightful owner! Due to COVID, we are no longer able to have a central lost property box and any items that are left around are only able to be kept for a short period of time. Thereafter, unnamed uniform items will be donated to the Air Ambulance clothing bank.

### Long Covid

Have you or someone you know been affected by COVID-19? Have you been left with some long-term effects? Covid 19 has affected us all over the last 12 months and the results of that impact will be with us for some time to come. If you would be interested in joining a support group, please get in touch at [longcovidsupport@brunswickhlc.org.uk](mailto:longcovidsupport@brunswickhlc.org.uk), or phone 01926 422123 (lines are open 10am to 2pm).

### Extra Curricular Activities

**Coolsportz are offering various activities in the summer holidays:- cricket/football/tennis/hockey/parachute games and more. To find out more and book, go to [www.coolsportz.co.uk](http://www.coolsportz.co.uk)**

**GoGo Makers are running summer holiday camps.**

**Go to [www.gogomakers.co.uk](http://www.gogomakers.co.uk) for more information and to book.**

**Warwick School have opened up bookings for their Summer Action 2021 programme.**

**Go to <https://www.warwickschool.org/summer-action-2021> for further details of the activities on offer, pricing and booking information.**