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Friday 14th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week marks the start of the next phase in the government's 'roadmap for lifting lockdown' and I know that we are all looking forward to taking further steps towards some level of normality. I always scan the news and school guidelines closely to see what the implications are for Woodloes, so we can all continue to be clear about how we should manage our school safely.

In wider society, from 17th May, there are some quite significant changes and I have identified a few for you here:

- People can meet in groups of up to 30 outdoors
- Six people or two households can meet indoors, with overnight stays allowed
- Social distancing with close family and friends will be a matter of personal judgement. But people are asked to remain cautious around close contact, like hugging.
- Pubs, bars, cafes and restaurants will be allowed to serve customers indoors
- Indoor entertainment such as museums, cinemas and children's play areas can open
- Face coverings no longer recommended in secondary schools for pupils
- People will be able to travel abroad to green list countries without having to guarantine when they return

Public Health and WCC continue to advise caution for schools because any positive cases can cause significant disruption with class closures, so the advice is for schools to maintain their current arrangements for the time being. Face masks should still be worn during drop offs and collections as a precaution and we should all continue to be careful.

The children have been using their new playtime equipment this week and have had a lovely time during breaks and at lunchtime. It is great to be able to start reintroducing all of these resources and experiences, reflecting the good progress that we have all continued to make against Covid.

Finally, we have our online parents meetings next week so I hope you have been able to make an appointment. This will provide an important opportunity to discuss how we can work together to support all our children in the weeks ahead.

Many thanks for your continuing patience and support.

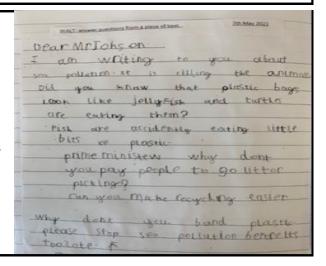
Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

#### Photo & Caption

#### 'You are never too small to make a difference.'

Year 1 have been so moved whilst learning about sea pollution and how it's caused, that they wrote to the prime minister! The children told Mr Johnson how they felt and what they learned and then suggested solutions to the plastic waste problem.

We're so proud of them for finding their voices.



## Attendance News

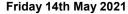


Highest class attendance for last week—Class 1V & 5SB (Ms Valentine & Mrs Barlow) with 100%!

Whole school attendance to date - 95.9% (school target 96.5%)

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

I love coming to school because English is SO fun and when I quiz I feel proud. School is the best! Eila, Year 3





#### Focus on Excellence

In Year 3 in our Maths we have been focusing on shape, space and measure. We have been using Learning By Questions on the iPads to reinforce what we have been learning in our lessons, which we have enjoyed thoroughly. We have been exploring different types of lines and angles and recognising them in 2D shapes. We enjoyed making different shapes on geoboards using elastic bands to make shapes with different properties. Using mirrors we made some reflections of our names (see picture).

As well as our fabulous learning in maths, our reading is rocketing! Year 3 have read 15 million words on Accelerated Reader.



## Other News .....

## **Parent Consultation Evening**

Thank you to parents/carers that have made appointments for the above, which is taking place next week. The teachers look forward to speaking to you about your child's progress and goals for the remainder of the current school year. Look out for the TEAMS invite for your requested day/time slot and ensure that you are logged on ready, as meetings are not able to overrun.

## Toys/Fiddle Items

Please can we remind parents / carers that children should **only** bring their essential equipment and belongings e.g. lunchbox and drinks bottle to school each day. Children are not to bring other additional items, including toys / fiddle items.

Thank you for your continued support.

#### Extra Curricular

A quick reminder that Onside Coaching after school club takes place for Key Stage Two children on a Tuesday after school. If interested, you can book online at www.onsidecoaching.co.uk (Central Warwickshire Team). If your child does participate in this club, they will need to come to school in their PE kit (rather than school uniform).



#### Fit2Dance Club

Fit2Dance Club for Year 3 children is re-commencing from next week. It will take place on Tuesday after school. If your child is in Year 3, you will have received an email with further details.

#### Vacancy

We currently have two vacancies for permanent lunchtime supervisors. Further details can be found on the vacancies page of our website.