



Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is the last day of term and we have finished Christmas week with a festive whole school sing song and fun party games.

We always have a lovely time at Christmas and the children have enjoyed WinterFest, class parties and a visit from Santa this week which was all very exciting. I am sure they will all come home tired and happy and ready to enjoy a lovely Christmas at home with family and friends.

There have been a few coughs colds and bugs going around this week too and I would remind everyone to be vigilant regarding the signs and symptoms of Scarlet Fever and Group A strep infection. I have also spoken to the children about staying safe over Christmas, especially if the temperatures drop again over the holiday period.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for the amazing support that we have received this year: we have come such a long way in the last 12 months. On behalf of everyone at school I would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and extend our very best wishes for a happy and healthy new year!

**Andy Mitchell**  
Headteacher

## End of Term Celebrations



Woodloes have seen the term out in style this week, from naughty elves and class parties, to Christmas Jumpers and Dinners, we have definitely been getting in the festive spirit. And the highlight for many was a visit from the big man himself. Thank you 'Friends of Woodloes' for the children's gifts and of course to our Santa for delivering them throughout school.



## Year 3 Bake Off

Year 3 have completed this term's Design and Technology topic with their 'Great Christmas Bread Bake Off.' After learning all about the history of bread makers, the Warburton family and testing different Warburton bread products, they used specific design criteria to create their own 'Christmas' or 'Winter' themed bread. This week they learnt about the process of bread making and were able to turn their designs into real bread products. They have all done an incredible job and we hope that their families have enjoyed tasting the special bread at home! Paul and Pru would be very proud of them all!

**Mrs May & Miss Gabel**

## Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class **1S** (**Mrs Shardlow**) with **98.1%**

Whole school attendance to date - **95.2%** (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = **113 pupils = 28.61%**

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

'I like writing stories about meerkats'

*Isla 2L*





## Focus on Excellence Year 5 Highwayman Tour of Warwick

Year 5 enjoyed a winter walk into Warwick to mark the end of our 'Stand and Deliver' topic. We walked in the footsteps of our local highwayman, Bendigo Mitchell. Thank you to our very own Mr Mitchell who transported us back in time to explain the judicial system and punishment of the time. The children enjoyed seeing our local sights. Thank you to those who helped us on our trip.

Mrs Barlow and Miss Goodrick



## Dates For 2023 Diary

- Tuesday 3rd January;** Teacher Training Day, School Closed.
- Wednesday 4th January;** School reopens
- Week Commencing Monday 9th January;** Extra Curricular Clubs Recommence.
- Monday 9th January;** Year's 5 & 6 Athletic roadshow. PE kits required.
- Monday 9th January;** Year 6 SAT, Parent curriculum meeting, 5pm-6pm.
- Tuesday 10th January;** Year 5 commence swimming lessons.
- Wednesday 18th January;** Year 2 group assembly 9am start.
- Wednesday 25th January;** Year 5 group assembly 9am start.
- Week Commencing Monday 6th February;** Book Week. Further details to follow.



## Staff Vacancy

We currently have two vacancies at Woodloes.

- Teaching Assistant Level 2 SEN, Permanent position, Term time only. 13hrs a week. Thursday and Friday from 8.30am-3.30pm. Starting February 2023, date tbc pending recruitment checks. Grade G, Scale point 11-17. Salary £22,793 FTE per annum, £5989.79 pro rata per annum.
- Saplings Nursery Assistant, 6 hours per week. 1-3pm Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Starting from February 2023 (pending pre-employment checks). Fixed Term Contract until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 Salary Scale D point 3-4 – (£19,454.00 FTE)

Application packs are available on our website [www.woodloes.com](http://www.woodloes.com). Should you require any other details please contact the **School Office** via **HRad-min5207@welearn365.com** or telephoning **01926 497491**.

## Other News .....

### Woodloes Winterfest

'Friends of Woodloes' would like to thank everyone who contributed to last weeks amazing Winterfest event, especially our wonderful volunteers and stall holders, we couldn't of pulled it off without you. Thanks to everyone's hard work the event has raised a staggering amount of over £1000!

### Vision Screening Programme

The NHS Vision Screening Programme, will be running for Reception children only in school on Monday 9th January. If you do not wish for your child to be included please ensure you have returned the exemption form to the office before this date.

### Local Festival Events

**U4FIS UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD • SOLI HULL APPROACH**

**Christmas time is FAMILY time!**

**UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD (0-19+ YRS) online course**

**Module 7: HAVING FUN TOGETHER! (FOR ALL AGES)**

Learn all about making the most of your time together!

24/7 ONLINE COURSES  
[WWW.U4FIS.CO.UK](http://WWW.U4FIS.CO.UK)

Warwickshire families enter the access code BEAR to gain free access

**BRUNSWICK HUB'S TURKEY BATCH DAY**

**TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER**

**11AM-3PM**

(TURKEY BATCHES AVAILABLE 12-7PM)

Come join us at the Hub for our annual Christmas celebrations—Festive fun for the family!

Free Turkey Batches (with all the trimmings)

Kids Craft & Activities

Table-top Sale of pre-loved toys & gifts

Free Kids' Hot Chocolate

And more...

On the day, we will be raising money for **Brunswick Hub's Hardship fund**.

**BHLO**

Turkey Batches will be first come, first served. If you need to reserve, please contact us on 01926 427123.

Details of free Christmas events for families, at local Leamington Spa CV31 churches:

Date in Dec / Time	Church / Location	For ages	Event Details
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> 2-4pm	Christ Church, CV31 1BA	All	Christmas Craft Day: Bring the whole family to enjoy Christmas craft activities.
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> 10.30am	Whitash Methodist Church, CV31 2JJ	All	All Age Christmas Service: A Christmas service for everyone.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 10.30-12.30	Whitash Methodist Church, CV31 2JJ	4-50y	Christmas Mery Church: Story, crafts, games, lunch and more.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 1-4pm	Christ Church, CV31 1BA	All	Christmas Extravaganza: Walk into reality! Book at <a href="http://www.christchurch.org.uk/book">www.christchurch.org.uk/book</a>
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 2-4pm	Radford Service Baptist Church, CV31 1UQ	4-11y	Christmas Craftroom: Christmas crafts & Bible story, followed by tea & cake with parents/carens/relatives! Booking essential: <a href="mailto:kathleenepickford@hotmail.com">kathleenepickford@hotmail.com</a>
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm	Myton Church, Westbury Centre, CV31 1BE	4-12y	Nativity from Scratch: All day event with games, activities, rehearsals for a Sunday Nativity performance at 3pm for primary-school children, bring a packed lunch.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 2.15-2.45pm	Myton Church, Westbury Centre, CV31 1BE	2-4y	Nativity from Scratch: Pre-performance craft time. Activities for tots and their grown-ups to do together. They will also have a part in the nativity at 3pm!
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 3pm	Westbury Centre, CV31 1BE	All	Nativity from Scratch: Performance: Anyone is welcome to the performance.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	St Mary's Church, CV31 1LW	0-6y	Nativity from Scratch: Short nativity service for toddlers, with familiar hymns to join in with. Followed by refreshments and play. Note the 4 different start times.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 11.30am-3.30pm	Radford Service Baptist Church, CV31 1UQ	All	Christmas Service: A Christmas Celebration. Create, sing, wonder... together.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 1.30-3.30pm	St Mary's Church, CV31 1LW	All	Christmas Service: "Escape Room" Themed Christmas service for all the family.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 2.15-4.15pm	St John's Church, CV31 1BN	All	Christmas Service: "Escape Room" Themed Christmas service for all the family.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 2.30-4.30pm	All Saint's Church, CV31 1AA	All	Christmas Service: "Escape Room" Themed Christmas service for all the family.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 2.45-4.45pm	All Saint's Church, CV31 1AA	All	Christmas Service: "Escape Room" Themed Christmas service for all the family.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 3pm	St Margaret's Church, CV31 2JG	All	Christmas Service: A family friendly service exploring the meaning of Christmas with an escape, a candle and a secret! Note the 2 different start times: 3pm and 4pm.
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	St Margaret's Church, CV31 2JG	All	Christmas Service: You are warmly invited to join us, we would love to see you!
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> 4.30pm	St Margaret's Church, CV31 2JG	All	Christmas Service: You are warmly invited to join us, we would love to see you!

Search online for free events at other churches near you in CV31, CV32 or wherever you spend this Christmas!

**ARTLAB Christmas Art Camp**

Join us at Milverton Primary School

**19-20-21-22 Dec 10-4pm**

Each day is a new crafting adventure filled with Christmas and Christmas cards and fill the room while we decorate gingerbread, make wreaths, paint nativity and create up to 4 Christmas gifts.

Children 5-11 years

Book online now

[www.artlabart.com](http://www.artlabart.com)





## Woodloes Primary School Maths News

### Issue No. 2 Autumn Term B 2022

#### Mathematician of the term:



Charles Dodgson, born 1832 to 1898, better known by his pen name Lewis Carroll, was the author of 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland', its sequel 'Through the Looking Glass' and many poems.

He was also a mathematician and lectured at Christ Church College Oxford, where he worked predominately in the field of mathematical logic.

	Prime	Not prime
Even	2	4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26
Not even	3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41	1, 9, 15, 21, 25, 27, 33, 35, 39, 41, 45, 49

Dodgson invented the 'Carroll Diagram' which is named after him.

#### WORLD POPULATION HITS 8 BILLION!

##### a) Write this figure as a number



On the 15<sup>th</sup> of November, the world's population was projected to have reached eight billion, a milestone in human development. While it took the global population 12 years to grow from 7 to 8 billion, experts believe that it will take one and a quarter of this amount of time for the population to grow from 8 billion to 9 billion.

##### b) In what year is the world's population expected to reach 9 billion

#### Woodloes Primary School Maths round-up

Woodloes Primary School will be hosting a Maths drop-in session in March 2023, so keep a look out for a letter in your child's/children's book bag inviting you to take part.

This is an excellent opportunity to see first hand how pupils learn Maths at Woodloes Primary School.

Times Table Rockstars is proving to be highly successful. Thank you for your support with this at home.

#### Year 4

Each half term, pupils who have successfully achieved the next level in their Times Table Championships, are rewarded with a certificate. A huge well done to all those pupils who received a certificate this half term and I look forward to present more Times Table Championships certificates in Spring A.



#### Puzzles and More

Math Riddle #2: How Old Is Lucy?



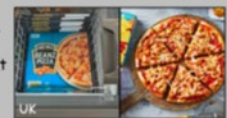
When Lisa was 6 years old,  
her sister Lucy was half her age.

If Lisa is 40 years old today,  
how old is Lucy?



#### Heinz Banz pizzas return after 20 year absence from shelves

After a 20 year hiatus the Heinz Beans Pizza has made a triumphant return to shops, meaning you can get a bit of cheesy, beany nostalgia for a limited period.



The frozen pizzas are being sold in Iceland stores after relaunching on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November, costing £3.

Assume the pizza in the picture is cut into equal slices. If I eat 3 slices for my dinner and have a cheeky cold slice for my breakfast the next morning what fraction of the pizza have I eaten?  
Give your answer in it's simplest form.

