



Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, Woodloes is a member of the Community Academies Trust, after joining in 2015. There are 13 primary schools and 5 secondary schools in the Trust and we all work closely together to provide support and share good practice. Today, I have been in Cannock at a teaching and learning conference with representatives from the other schools looking in detail at research into effective teaching and learning with the intention of developing a toolkit which will have a positive impact in all our schools. The Trust has developed its own Institute of Education which provides training and support for all our schools to ensure the children and staff feel the benefit of our collaboration and collective expertise. As these projects evolve I will provide further updates on their impact so we can see how our school benefits by being part of a multi-academy trust.

As good as today was, the highlight of my week was the Year 5 curriculum assembly. This was another great example of how well our children are working through their curriculum and the obvious progress they are making. It was wonderful to see so many parents join us and we all saw how much the children are enjoying their work and the great confidence they showed during their presentation. Another fantastic team effort!

Many thanks for your positive feedback and your continuing support.

#### Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

### Year 5 Curriculum Assembly



This Wednesday, Year 5 proudly performed their learning so far from this academic year with their parents and carers in their year group assembly. Mrs Barlow and Miss Goodrick were particularly proud because the children also wrote the assembly themselves. During the assembly, they confidently shared some drama, raps and artwork and spoke loudly and clearly. Well done!

Mrs Barlow & Miss Goodrick

## Change Makers Assembly

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January, Woodloes Primary School welcomed a whole school assembly hosted by Justin from ChangeMakers.

He spoke about healthy food choices and the pupils had an opportunity to share their ideas with Justin.

Please look out for additional information sent to all parent/carers this week (email) regarding our new Change Makers



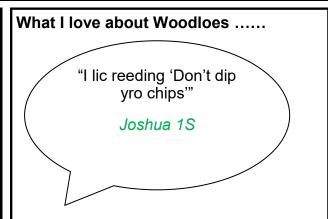
### **Attendance News**



Highest class attendance for last week—Class **4SM** (**Mrs Skirvin and Ms Madan)** with **98.7%** 

Whole school attendance to date - **94.9%** (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 87 pupils = 21.07%





## Focus on Excellence- Year 3 Roman Trip

Year 3 had a wonderful time at St John's Museum in Warwick this week where they were able to develop their knowledge about the Roman invasion of Britain. They were able to become 'archaeologists' and to learn about how artefacts give us clues about life in the past. They took on the role of Boudicca and her army of 30,000 Celts to battle against the Romans and thought about the reasons why this rebellion took place. Much fun was had at the Roman forum market where the children were able to walk around and visit the Roman stalls selling food, clothing, pottery, stylus and wax tablets and tesserae pieces to build mosaic pictures from. It was a super and interactive way of learning about history and getting a taste of what life was like in Roman Britain. Thank you so much to all of the adults who came with us to help out and supervise.

Friday 27th January 2023

## Fire Safety Visit

This week Years 1 and 5 were visited by Warwickshire Fire and Rescue to discuss fire safety. Some of our wonderful Year 5 pupils have reported back on what they learnt.

'The firemen said touch a door knob with the back of your hand! And to close your door at night in case there's a fire also a door can handle a door for an hour. The max time for them to get there is 10 mins and you should shout out a window for help. And don't call hoax calls in because it can kill someone in trouble.'

Mrs May & Miss Gabel



## Children's Mental Health Week 2023



Children's Mental Health Week takes place from 6th February to 12th February. This years theme is **Let's Connect**. **Let's Connect** is about making meaningful connections for all,

during Children's Mental Health Week– and beyond. For free support and resources, please click on the link below. https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/



# Other News .....

## **Newspaper Donations**

Year 6 has made a request for any donations of newspapers you may have spare, please hand these over to staff at the Year 6 door at school drop off.

### Year 1 Curriculum Assembly

Year 1 are inviting their parents and carers to join them on Wednesday 8th February at 9am for their curriculum assembly. The children are looking forward to sharing their learning with you. Please arrive at the main hall via the gates to the right of the main school office for a 9am start.



### **Donation Request for OSCAR**

Please can we ask for donations of children's gloves, unused underwear, and pre-loved resources such as toys books and craft supplies for the children to use whilst attending OSCARs. Donations will be greatly received via the school office.

### **Book Week**

Woodloes Book Week will take place from Monday 6th February to Friday 10th February. We have a full schedule of events planned, including competitions, book café and the annual dress up day. Please see the book week flyer which has been emailed out this week for more information.





## Save the Date-Bingo

Friends of Woodloes are planning their next event to take place on Thursday 16th February. Please save the date and join us for Bingo, further details are to follow.