

News et

Friday 6th December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Everyone at school is very busily preparing for the end of the autumn term: data is being assembled and analysed, reports are being written and parties are being planned in the run up to Christmas. Everything you would expect to see in a great school at this time of year!

Our Assistant Head, Sarah Barlow wrote to you on 20th of November to provide a reminder about the termly report evening which is next Monday between 4 and 7pm. This is a great opportunity to receive your child's autumn term report which will contain useful information to help you to support your child's learning. It also provides time for you to have a chat with your child's class teacher and look at the brilliant work they have been doing during the autumn term. These discussions take place in the classroom but if you would prefer to have a more confidential discussion then please arrange this with your child's classteacher and they will do their best to accommodate.

As we approach the end this term we will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Dyson and Mrs Freeman. Both of them have provided us with many years of fantastic support and we are very grateful for the care and dedication they have shown to Woodloes pupils during that time. Mrs Dyson specifically, has done a fantastic job in OSCAR and leaves big shoes to fill!

They both leave next week with our massive thanks and best wishes!

Many thanks for your continuing support.

Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

What's Going On

Monday 9th December -

Termly report evening 4.00 - 7.00pm

Tuesday 10th December -

9.00am Saplings Christmas Performance (1 of 2) Year 4 Last Swimming Lesson

Wednesday 11th December -

2.30pm Saplings Christmas Performance (2 of 2)

Friday 13th December—

9.10am Reception Christmas Performance Achievement Assembly, Years 2, 4 & 6

This week in year 2, we took part in a Road Safety talk with Louise, our Road Safety Officer. We learned how to stay safe whilst travelling to school

or the shops whilst on a scooter. We enjoyed learning how to brake safely and how to politely get around pedestrians on the road. Thank you Louise for teaching us how to be safe!



Governor Focus

Last week in my role as the safeguarding governor for the school, I attended a Year 5 lesson that forms part of the Protective Behaviours curriculum that is delivered across the school. The theme of the lesson was what it feels like physically and emotionally to feel safe and what are the early warning signs of not feeling safe. I was particularly pleased to observe the high level of engagement and good level of understanding displayed by the children. We will continue to measure this and the impact of this part of the curriculum at our next round of pupil interviews.

Louisa Farino. Chair of Governors

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 1V (Miss Valentine) with 99.6%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.7% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 144 pupils = 37%

What I love about Woodloes

Year 6 is very challenging You have lots of responsibilities and tasks. Besides the hard work, Year 6 is a very fun and amazing year to work in. Niamh, Year 6





Pupil Voice



This year we are encouraging children (and staff!) to come to school in a Christmas jumper/Christmas themed clothing on Friday 20th December. (Last day of term)

On this day we will also be enjoying a Christmas dinner, courtesy of our wonderful school cooks, whilst listening to some festive music.

Focus on Excellence



"The children in reception have been concentrating hard this week.

We have been following detailed step-by-step instructions in order to create some amazing gruffalo drawings."



Other News

Termly Report Evening

As mentioned in 'What's Going On', it is our termly report evening on Monday 9th December from 4.00pm until 7.00pm. At a time convenient to you, we hope that you will be able to join us to share and discuss your child's/children's attainment so far this academic year. Please remember to ask your child's/children's class teacher if you would like a private conversation as rooms will be available to facilitate this.

Marle Hall

To Year 5 parents/carers: If not already paid second instalment of £50.00 and your child is going to Marle Hall, please process payment immediately, as we now need to process the confirmed number of children going and also process the payments to Marle Hall. Thank you

Staff Parking

A reminder that our carpark is NOT to be used by parents/carers. It is for staff use ONLY. Thank you



School Photographs

You may recall, when ordering the recent school photographs, that the supplier (Braiswick) stated on each order that 50p would be donated to Cancer Research UK. Thank you to all parents/carers that placed orders; a total of £68.00 was donated to this very worthy cause!

Warwickshire Welfare Rights Advice Service (WWRAS)

WWRAS is a free and confidential service that can help you identify any benefits that you may be entitled to, including Free School Meals (if not already applied). To get in touch with WWRAS, email info@wwras.org.uk or phone 02476 372069. You can also visit www.warwickdc.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

The Friendship Project for Children

Do you want to make a difference to a child's life?

The above charity are looking for volunteers. Would you (or know anyone who would) like to be an 'older friend' to child in need for weekly outings of 2-3 hours eg., doing fun activities including drawing, painting, shopping, cooking, swimming or watching a football match?

Telephone 0845 838 2098, email info@friendshipproject.co.uk, or go to the charity's website www.friendshipproject.co.uk for further information and to access an application form. If you would like to make a donation to the charity, visit the website.