



Friday 25th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a super week we have just had! It started last Saturday, on the school field: Mrs Lambert has written more about this below, but it is so good to see the Eco Project taking shape and the resources being developed that will benefit both schools. We had great fun working together and this is just the beginning of a truly innovative collaboration between a mainstream and special school which really makes the most of our unique situation as a cross-sector campus site. I am looking forward to seeing this develop further and ensuring more and more of our children and families can get involved. A big well done to everyone!

We also had a peer review this week. Philip Hamilton, the CAT CEO and Ed May the Exec Director of Education led a team which spent the whole day with us, visiting lessons, talking to the children and staff and then sharing their observations with school leaders. The headlines were very positive and they were very impressed with the children's attitudes to learning and behaviour. They gave positive feedback about the quality of teaching and learning in reading and maths specifically and noted the children's positive engagement during lessons which verifies our own observations of the school on a daily basis. We were also very happy to receive some constructive feedback about how we can continue to improve and it is always helpful to get an external perspective to ensure we are focussing our efforts in the right areas. The team were also very pleased to read your feedback from the reading drop-ins and parents evenings as this helped to give them a real sense of how we all work together as a school community.

Finally, England are playing against USA today so let's hope the weekend gets off to a great start!

Many thanks for your continuing support!

Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

Woodloes Evergreen 'Eco Project'

The 'Eco Project' is progressing brilliantly. We now have the polytunnel, fire pit, raised beds and pond installed. A huge thank you to the joint working party who braved the cold on Saturday morning to plant 100 trees and move 8 tonnes of top-soil and 4 tonnes of stones!

Children from both Woodloes and Evergreen have started to use the new learning space together. So far, they have: planted bulbs, built leaf compost bins, made sun catchers, created hedgehog houses and planted trees.

How you can help

Future plans include building giant bug hotels. If you and your child would like to contribute to the project, please create an insect habitat in a plastic bottle (see below for ideas) and bring it into your classes over the next couple of weeks.

Mrs Lambert, SENDCo

Insect habitat:

Simply cut the ends off the bottle (with adult help) and fill with natural objects.



Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class RMB (Mrs Magnal and Mrs Bailey) with 100%!

Whole school attendance to date - 95.5% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 150 pupils = 38.2%

What I love about Woodloes

'I love year five because we have brilliant teachers and everybody is kind.'

Adam 5B

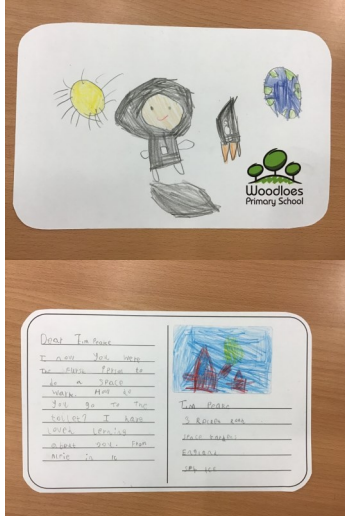


Focus on Excellence, Year 1.

Year One are thoroughly enjoying their topic 'To Infinity and Beyond!'. As part of this, we have been looking at significant people and events in history. We have all been working as historians discovering facts about Laika (the dog), Yuri Gagarin and Valentina Tereshkova as the first individuals in space. This week we have been writing our very own Woodloes postcards to British astronaut Tim Peake. The children have produced some amazing work that we are all extremely proud of. Keep up the hard work Year One!



Mrs Shardlow & Mrs Cirin



Staff Vacancy

We currently have a part time cleaner vacancy available at Woodloes. The position is a permanent position, 2.5hrs per day outside of school hours, Monday to Friday. 12.5 hours per week.

An application pack is available on our website www.woodloes.com. Should you require any other details please contact the **School Office** via HRadmin5207@welearn365.com or telephoning **01926 497491**. Closing date for applications is 9am Friday 16th December 2022.



Parental Support

If you require parenting support, use the following link to access Warwickshire's Local Offer:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families/parenting-support>

Parents are also more than welcome to contact the Family Support Helpline on 01926 412412 where you are able to seek advice and support from a Family Support Worker Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm or you can arrange and book a face-to-face drop-in session at one of our Children & Family Centres.

Other News



Christmas Jumper Day

Woodloes will be holding our annual Christmas Jumper day on Wednesday 14th December to coincide with our annual Christmas dinner day, further information will follow in due course.

Spaghetti Maths

Spaghetti Maths after school club are commencing on Monday 28th November, if your child is interested in attending please go to <https://www.spaghettimaths.co.uk/> and search for Woodloes.

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MATHS**

Free Singing Workshop

Warwickshire Youth Choir will be running free Singing workshops for Key Stage 2 Children and the opportunity to perform in their Christmas Concert. Workshops are held Saturday 17th December at 3.30pm followed by the concert at 6pm. For registration and tickets please visit www.choristers.org

Crocker's Christmas Trees

We would like to thank Crocker's Christmas Trees for kindly donating one of their Norway Spruce's to Woodloes this year. If you would like to select your own tree directly from the field, they are open to the public from November 25th. Visit www.crockerschristmastrees.co.uk for full details.



Woodloes
Winterfest



Join us for a fun, festive evening outdoors at Woodloes School. There will be Christmas performances from the children, hot food, a variety of beverages, tombola, lucky dip and the opportunity to support small local businesses at our Christmas market stalls.

Entry

Times

£1 entry per family.
5pm-7pm
Thursday 8th December
Pay on the gate.



Year Group Performances
School Choir—5:15pm
Year 1—5:30 pm
Year 2—5:40 pm
Year 3—5:50 pm
Year 4— 6:00 pm
Year 5— 6:10 pm
Year 6— 6:20 pm
Everyone to sing 12 Days of Christmas at 6:30 pm

Stalls

Desserts

Sweets

Craft picture frames

Hot chocolate

Handmade
chocolate

Cards and stationery

Mulled wine

Jewellery

Children's clothes

Cash Payments Preferred!

Christmas face glitter

Ceramics