

# News ett

Friday 30th April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an excellent week this week with lots to be proud of. I have been monitoring the delivery of curriculum interventions over the last few days and I had a meeting with senior managers yesterday to discuss some of their experiences and observations so far. They described a range of strategies that have been used to support the children which include whole class interventions, individual attention and some small group work and sessions have been described as 'slick and impactful'. Ofsted and other advisory groups have made it very clear that a narrow focus on English and Maths is not the way forward and we have made sure that we have retained good breadth and balance to our summer term curriculum, which for Year 6 this week has even included cycling proficiency. Overall, a very positive start to the term!

Further to my letter yesterday please be reminded that the local elections are being held next Thursday and, as usual, our small hall and the Community Centre are being used as a Polling Station. We wrote to you yesterday to advise you about the risk assessment and a couple of organisational changes that will apply for that day only. Please have a look through this so we can accommodate this important civic duty safely and confidently.

It is Sarah Burnard's last day today and she will soon be moving permanently to Spain. I have already written to you this week about Sarah and we are sad to see her go. She has made a phenomenal impact on our school over the last 7 years and she leaves with our massive thanks and best wishes as she heads off into the sunshine.

It is also Miss Hover's last day today as she starts her maternity leave. Miss Hover has done a wonderful job supporting pupils in Year 4 and we wish her and her family all the very best as they welcome the latest addition to their household. Many thanks Dannielle and good luck!

There is a bank holiday on Monday so I hope you enjoy the extra time together this weekend. Many thanks for your continuing support and stay safe!

Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

"Once we had read the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' together, the children in Reception were looking forward to growing their own bean stalks. We planted our beans in wet cotton wool and we talked about how or beans might grow, including the things they would need to survive. "



# **Governor Focus**

The Governors at Woodloes would like to express their sincere thanks and best wishes to Mrs Burnard who is leaving the school today for a sunnier life in Spain. Her contribution to the school has been tremendous and of course she has undoubtedly enriched the lives of all of the children she has taught here in school over the years. We appreciate in particular her contribution to the governing body, and wish her well for the next exciting chapter in her life.

Louisa Farino, Chair of Governors

#### Attendance News

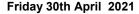


Highest class attendance for last week—Class 1V & 6BU (Ms Valentine & Mrs Burnard) with 100%!

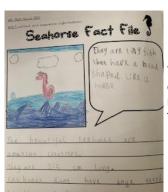
Whole school attendance to date - 95.9\*\*\*\*% (school target 96.5%)

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

I love how all the teachers, especially mine (Mrs Khaira) is fair, kind and fun! I know that your first time here is scary, but it gets more joyful

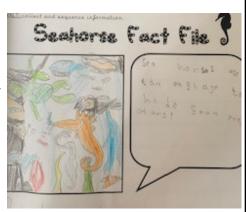






#### **Focus on Excellence**

Year 1 have been learning all about the exciting creatures that live in the seas surrounding the United Kingdom. Our fact files are quite something!



## Other News .....

## **Good News**

Huge congratulations to Finley, Year One, who has just been awarded a Blue Peter badge. Earlier this year, during remote learning at home, Finley used his creative skills and created a fantastic model village (featuring hotel, houses and a pub). Well done Finley!



#### Medicine in school

A quick reminder that we are unable to give medication to children in school (other than 'emergency' medication i.e.., such as EpiPen's). If your child does require medication, please action this before/after school. If they do need it during the school day, yourself (or other nominated adult) will need to come into school, at an agreed time, to give the relevant medication. Thank you

#### Free School Meals/Milk

Is your child currently benefitting from Free School Meals (FSM)? If not and you think they may be eligible, go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals, where you will find further information on eligibility and how to apply if you meet the criteria. If your child is eligible for FSM, they can also receive free milk in school. Please advise if interested.

## Extra Curricular Activities .....

## Onside Coaching

Onside Coaching re-introduced their after school multi sports club last week (Tuesdays) to children in Key Stage Two. There are still a number of spaces available. If your child is in Years 3 to 6 and wishes to attend, go to www.onsidecoaching.co.uk to book them in!

## Warwick School 'May Action'

Warwick School are advertising their popular extra curricular programme which takes place during the May half term holiday, which consists of multi-sports, bouncy castle, indoor archery, badminton and much more. For further details of activities and how to book, visit:

https://www.warwickschool.org/may-half-term-2021

## Warwickshire Cricket Board

Is your child interested in cricket?

For 5-8 year old boys and girls, visit Allstarscricket.co.uk for further details of summer camp(s) that are taking place this year .

For children aged 8-11, visit Dynamoscricket.co.uk