



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to an action packed newsletter which captures, wonderfully all the brilliant things we have done at Woodloes this week. We have opened our doors to our community and it has been fantastic to see so many of you in school joining us to enjoy book week, reading rockets, the book café, the Year 1 curriculum assembly and the Year 6 maths calculation evening. Every event has been so well attended and it has been great to see some of you here several times over!

The partnership between home and school is so important for so many reasons, and a simple measure of the strength of this is to see high levels of attendance at school events. On the evidence of this week it would suggest that our partnership, and the quality of our collaboration, are currently very positive which is a great place to be. Thank you so much for everything you are doing to support your children and the school, it is very much appreciated!

I would also like to pay tribute this week to the amazing team we have in every department at Woodloes. There have been a few technical issues behind the scenes this week but everyone has remained 'swan-like', the issues have been resolved and everything has continued to run smoothly. What a wonderful team!

Have a lovely weekend and best wishes.

**Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher**

## Maths at Woodloes Primary School

At Woodloes Primary school, we strive to ensure all pupils become 'Marvellous Mathematicians'.



As part of our learning at home, Key Stage 1 pupils have access to Numbots and Key Stage 2 use Times Table Rockstars..

Monday's assembly saw us celebrating success in Numbots with the Maths subject lead presenting Year 1 pupils with certificates.

Well done Year 1! 🥳

We look forward to more pupils receiving certificates.

**Mrs Khaira**  
**Maths Subject Lead**

## YogaBugs for Children's Mental Health Week

This week all of our pupils participated in a live stream YogaBugs session linked to Children's Mental Health Week, which is this week. The sessions were enjoyed across the school and gave us a calming start to our day.

As part of children's mental health week, Coventry and Warwickshire Mind are offering a Free Parent & Carer Webinar 'How to talk to your child about mental health' available on zoom, sign up via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parentcarer-workshop-how-to-talk-to-your-child-about-mental-health-tickets-524653702347>



## Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 3ML (Mrs May and Mrs Lambert) with 98.3%!

Whole school attendance to date - 94.8% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 60 pupils = 14.6%

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

"What I love about Woodloes is all the opportunities you get!"  
*Sophie 4D*



## Woodloes Book Week.

What an incredible book week we have had! It has been lovely to welcome so many of our families into school this week to join us in various book themed activities.

We began the week with a launch assembly where the children were shown how opening a book can take you into another, different world through your imagination and the words on the page. The children were asked to set themselves a reading target for the week and so many of them have achieved this, whether it be reading every day, completing a quiz or even reaching 1,000,000 words on our Accelerated Reader scheme.

The 'Reading Rockets' sessions across the school were really well attended and gave our parents and guardians an insight into independent reading here at Woodloes. It was really fantastic to see children around the school enjoying sharing a quality reading time with their adult in their classroom setting. Some children were able to demonstrate how they quiz on their completed book using the Accelerated Reader programme during these sessions, which shows one of the methods teachers use to monitor independent reading progress in school. It is intended to continue with another session of 'Rockets' during the summer term.



I was absolutely amazed at the quality and quantity of potato book characters that were brought into school for our competition. From Cat in the Hat to Zog the dinosaur, Harry Potter to Superpotato – there were so many designs that were truly amazing and the teachers will have had an incredibly difficult job choosing a winner from the entries.

The book fair has been extremely well attended by our community, both during our Community Café sessions and after school. Once I have a total of the amount of money raised, I will let you know, but it would seem that we have hit well over the £1000 threshold to receive 60% in commission. This is an incredible feat and would not have been possible without everyone's support and generosity.

The children in school will all benefit from our commission as it will go towards the purchase of new reading books. Thank you so much to all of the ladies from Friends who gave up their time to help us during the café events, serving teas and coffees and making it a really lovely, welcoming atmosphere for all.

We have ended the week with our book character dress up day and reading celebration assembly – the costumes have been superb and it has been lovely to see the children's faces as they have seen themselves and their classmates dressed as different well-known characters. Again, thank you for supporting this event by purchasing and creating the costumes. Each year group has performed a poem that has been learnt as well as contributing to a whole school recital of 'The Owl and the Pussy Cat.' I have also given out competition prizes, reading certificates and million-word reader book vouchers so it has been a very busy day again!

Weeks such as this do not happen so successfully without a great deal of hard work, energy and enthusiasm from both Woodloes Staff and our Woodloes Community. I am so appreciative of this and would like to once again, thank everyone for coming together to create such a lovely, memorable week for the children.

**Mrs May**  
English Subject Leader







## Focus on Excellence– Year 1



We are so proud of the Year 1 children and the journey that they have been on since September. Their Year 1 performance on Wednesday morning showcased their growing confidence, enjoyment in their learning and the progress that they have made in such a short space of time. Well done Year 1!



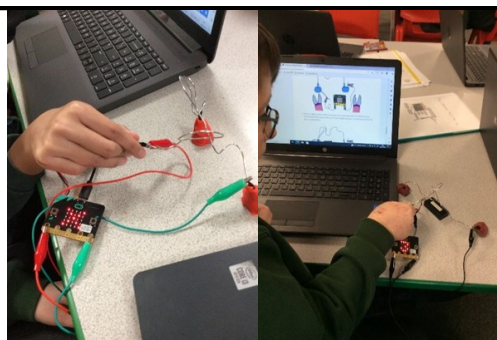
Mrs Shardlow and Mrs Cirin



## Year 5 Code Club

This weeks project was to create the game- 'Frustration'. Where we guide a wand around a wire course without making contact. Using the resources: wires, playdoh,

crocodile clips, micro:bits and of course a little coding! (Instructions taken from the code club website). 10 year 5 students, working in pairs, built and coded their games. Learning new skills and playing at the same time. Not all completed this time, but we will continue next week, working together to solve any problems encountered, before moving onto creating new games and maybe even playing with robots!



Mr Ashton– Code Club Leader

## Staff Vacancy

We currently have two vacancies at Woodloes.

- Deputy Headteacher, Permanent position, Full Time. Salary L8-L12 £52659-£58105 per year. Apply by 10.30am Monday 27th February. Start date to be agreed. ASAP in Summer term or September 23 for the right candidate.
- Teaching Assistant Level 2 SEN, Permanent position, Term time only. 32.5hrs a week. Monday - Friday from 8.30am-3.30pm. Starting March 2023, date tbc pending recruitment checks. Grade G, Scale point 11-17. Salary £24,7054 FTE per annum. Closing date for applications 12pm Friday 3rd March 2023

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



## Other News .....

### Lost Property



We have again accumulated a large volume of lost property at school. Please can we ask you to check the lost property located in the main school reception for any items your child may be missing. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of during the half term break. Also please can we ask that all items are clearly labelled to help avoid any future lost items.

### Warm Welcome @Warwickshire Libraries

Warwick Library has FREE bags of resources available for collection for those in need. There are warm bags and a collection of toiletry bags available. No evidence required to receive a bag, but they are of limited supply.



### Food Bank Vouchers



Woodloes are now able to issue vouchers for local food banks thanks to The Trussell Trust, if you are facing hardship and need some additional support please get in touch with the school office to discuss how we can help. Further information about local foodbanks can be found <https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/>

### Free School Meals

If you are receipt of benefits you may be eligible to recieve benefits-related free school meals (FSM). We would suggest you apply even is currently receiving universal infant free school meals as you may be able to access additional benefits. Apply on line at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>