



It's been another busy and exciting week. A huge well done to Year 4 who showcased their learning this week during their year group assembly. They performed really well and we all really enjoyed watching. Thank you so much to the many parents / carers who came to watch.

Our Curriculum Leader, Mrs Barlow, has enjoyed diving into aspects of our school curriculum right across the school this week. A Deep Dive involves looking at a variety of aspects of our curriculum delivery. Firstly we consider the 'intent'. We ask what skills and knowledge we want the children to learn and achieve and how is the learning is sequenced. Then we look at the 'implementation' and check the coverage across all of the year groups and that it is linked to prior learning. The 'impact' on learning is also evaluated. We ask 'how well are the pupils doing and what progress are they making'? At Woodloes, a Deep Dive is carried out by Mrs Barlow and the subject leader and involves all members of the school team through interviews with pupils, teachers and subject leaders, planning and work trawls and lesson visits. We are pleased to say that this week we have carried out two deep dives linked to PSHE and Reading and are very pleased with our findings.

I hope you have a good weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Sian Stevens
Deputy Headteacher

What's Going On

Tuesday 3rd December -
Year 4 Swimming

Friday 6th December -
Achievement Assembly
Years 1, 3 & 5

Year 4 performed their assembly this week about their topics from this term 'Animal Magic' and 'Mighty Mountains'."

Well done all!



Governor Focus

Being the school Governor responsible for maths, I often meet with the school maths lead, Mrs Khaira, to discuss how the school can best support its students in this key area. As student opinions are very important to the school, we asked the pupils to tell us how they feel about learning maths in Woodloes.

Replies were overwhelmingly positive: ***I love maths and it is my favourite subject (Year 3). We learn about numbers and we count all the time! (Reception)***. During our last meeting I was also invited to attend an Active Maths training session a few days later. All the school teachers attended the session and we had a lot of fun learning how to teach maths while keeping our children active, thus helping them learn while, at the same time, improving their health.

Michael Loizou, Governor

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 6K (Mrs Khaira) with 98.8%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.8% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 157 pupils = 40%

What I love about Woodloes

I am enjoying Year 5 because of my extraordinary teachers and also our engaging, interesting learning.
Lizzie, 5SB



Friends

Following on from the success of the disco earlier this term, some of the money raised from this will be going towards book week, which takes place during the Spring Term. Further details of this will follow in due course.

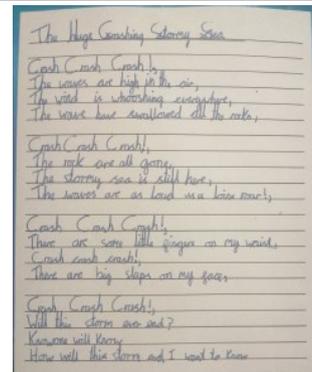


Also, we are planning an exciting 'Film Night' in the Spring Term and, once again, further details will follow in due course.



Focus on Excellence

Year 3 have been thoroughly enjoying our "Message in a Bottle" topic this half term. We have been looking at the area of Mousehole in Cornwall and comparing it with Warwick. The children have written some fantastic poems about a storm, using: personification, alliteration, similes, onomatopoeia and metaphors. We continue to be astonished with the huge progress that we are seeing from the children and cannot wait for this to be shared with you during the parents drop in session.



Other News

Health & Safety

As you know, we do mention in newsletters about parking/driving issues outside our school which, unfortunately, is an ongoing issue (as it is for most schools). As a school, we do not have any jurisdiction on parents/carers inappropriate parking/driving outside our school and are therefore limited as to what we can do, other than making requests for parents/carers to park/drive considerately and within the law. Following on from this, if you do witness a parking/driving issue that gives particular cause for concern ie., it is dangerous, you can contact the Warwick Central Safe Neighbourhood Team on 01926 684361, or email wrc.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk. We have recently requested a visit from the local PCSOs at drop off/ collection time, which they are hoping to do soon and they will be in a position to talk to any relevant person(s) that are not complying with the above.

Medication

We do, subject to completion of necessary consent form(s), give medication in school to pupils (**if it has to be given during school hours**). Wherever possible, we do try and adhere to requested timescales. However, this is not always possible and, there are occasions where we are not able to give the medication at the requested time(s) and, in these instances, will give it as close to the required time as we can. Very occasionally, it may get missed altogether. These instances are not very common, but can happen, depending upon other circumstances in school. Please bear this in mind when completing medication consent form(s).

Cornwall

Please note, the 2nd payment for this trip was due on 26th November. Please pay via ParentPay, if you haven't done so already. Thank you.

Lost Property

As advised in our recent newsletter, we have now disposed of the lost property items from the foyer. Items that were labelled have been returned to their rightful owners. All other 'unnamed' items (of which there were a lot) have been donated to the Air Ambulance clothing bank. Moving forward we would advise that we are looking into an 'in house re-distribution' of lost property items. This project is at its early stages and we will provide you with further details as/when we move further forward with this.