



Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is the last day of another extraordinary term. There have been some complex challenges that have required innovative solutions but from a school perspective there have been a lot more highs than lows. I believe our school community has risen to the challenge brilliantly so far this year and we have all supported each other even though everyone's energy levels and patience for living under lockdown restrictions have been running low.

Our staff have done an outstanding job this term and have shown great skill, adaptability and compassion as they have come to work every day to support children in school and at home. Your incredibly generous gift to the school just before half term gave everybody a great boost and exemplified how we have all come together as a school community to make the best of a difficult situation.

It has been wonderful to have all the children back and we have assessed the scale of the further challenges ahead. Plans have been developed for the summer which will give everyone great support but we are already seeing the children picking up quickly and developing positive learning behaviours. More details about how we will be helping to accelerate the children's learning will be shared after easter as this will need to be a home/school partnership to ensure it will have the most impact.

It is Alice Day and Katie Elvidge's last day today and we would like to thank them for all the skills, support and fun they have brought to our school and wish them well with their future career plans.

As we head into the Easter break, I hope you all enjoy your time together and safely enjoy some of the additional freedoms that start to come into effect. Please take care and keep yourselves safe so we can see you all return in good health on 19th April.

Happy holidays, best wishes and huge thanks for your continuing support.

**Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher**

As part of the topic Growing Good, Year 1 have studied 3 artists and their work based on flowers.

We had a go at recreating famous works of art with incredible results.

These are our watercolours in the style of Monet.



## Governor Focus

At our Governors' meeting this week, we were treated to a presentation of wonderful photographs of children in every year group back in school and resuming their studies – it was great to see such a wonderful sense of purpose, enthusiasm, and above all, an impressive range of work – well done all and welcome back!

## Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 1V & 3G (Ms Valentine & Miss Goodrick) with 99.3%!

Whole school attendance to date - 95.8% (school target 96.5%)

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

We love Woodloes because we learn new things every day!



### Friends of Woodloes

A huge thank you for all your Easter egg decorating entries. You've clearly had so much fun doing it. Judging was really hard so the teachers passed it over to other adults in school! The children were really proud of their creations and rightly so.



### Focus on Excellence

We are really proud of how the Year 5 pupils have settled back into classroom life this half term.

Linked to our topic of H<sub>2</sub>O, Year 5 have created some amazing poems to describe the water cycle. We have included a variety of examples of figurative language to paint a picture in the mind of the reader. Currently we are reading, and thoroughly enjoying, the text 'The Wind in the Willows' by Kenneth Grahame. We are now using and applying our figurative language to add value to our character and setting descriptions as we write our own adventures for Mole to endeavour.



Year 5 are now looking forward to a well-deserved break and returning to study the ancient Egyptians after Easter.

### Other News .....

#### 'Extra Curricular Activities

**Onside Coaching** As per our newsletter last week, we are pleased to advise that Onside Coaching will be resuming their after school club (for KS2 pupils) during the summer term. Please note, if you do sign your child up for this, they will need to come to school in their PE kit (as they would if they were having PE that day) on the days that they are attending the after school club.

**Leamington Football Club** are offering various different football opportunities for children aged 4 and over, at various different venues. For full information on what they have to offer, please email Chris Knott at [chris.knott@leamingtonfc.co.uk](mailto:chris.knott@leamingtonfc.co.uk)

*During the course of a school year, we routinely provide parents/carers with information regarding 'extra curricular activities'. We would remind you that the purchase of their services is directly between yourself and the provider, who are independent of the school, have their own insurances in place and deal with their own administration etc., with no DBS checks being carried out by ourselves. If you have any questions regarding this, please direct them to the relevant club provider.*

#### Dogs for Good Warwickshire & Coventry Fundraising group

invites children to enter a competition to **WIN AN EASTER EGG**  
Go to their facebook page for full details of how to enter.



#### Are you facing financial hardship because of the pandemic?

The Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme can help you if you are struggling to access food and energy. The scheme helps people in crisis by offering emergency support and putting them in touch with services who can offer longer term help. You are not alone, call today on 0800 408 1448 or 01926 359182 to discuss your circumstances with a friendly advisor.

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/facinghardship)

#### Families Warwickshire

The latest Families Warwickshire magazine can be found by following the link below (you will have to copy and paste this into your browser) where you will find lots of useful information:-

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