



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another barnstorming week at Woodloes!

Year 6 did a fantastic curriculum assembly that gave us all a 'deep dive' into the Year 6 curriculum. They showed excellent learning across the breadth of the curriculum and a very clear enthusiasm and enjoyment for school. Well done to everyone for their hard work and inspiration!

It was also great to see so many parents attend the maths demonstration lessons this week. Mrs Khaira— our maths subject leader— coordinated the event with the class teachers to give parents an opportunity to come and join their children's class for a maths lesson. One of the best comments we received was;

*"Another great opportunity to see the children at work. I've learnt how to define an even number! Great evidence of all they have been learning and demonstrating their understanding"*

If you didn't get the chance to attend there will be another opportunity to do a lesson visit in the spring term.

Many thanks for your kind comments this week and your continuing support!

Andy Mitchell - Head Teacher

## What's Going On .....

### Tuesday 26th November -

Year 6 Height & Weight  
Year 4 Swimming

### Wednesday 27th November

Year 4 Assembly

### Friday 29th November

Achievement Assembly Years 2, 4 & 6

### Saturday 30th November

Cross Country at Priory Park

In our science lessons, Year 2 have been learning about Louis Pasteur and what he discovered about germs. We carried out an experiment to see how quickly 'glitter' germs could spread by high fiving each other. We were amazed at how quickly our hands became covered in germs and how important it is to wash our hands throughout the day.



## Governor Focus

As part of my role as lead governor for English, I visited school two weeks ago to see the delivery of guided reading as a whole class teaching strategy. Mrs May explained how this is carried out and I visited classes in key stage 2 to see it in action.

These monitoring visits are important as it helps governors ensure that the objectives in the school's learning improvement plan are carried out effectively.

Mick Potter, Vice Chair and English Lead

## Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 4SM (Mrs Skirvin/Madan) with 100%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.9% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 179 pupils = 45%

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

We like: football, quiet area for shade, the adventure playground (the monkey bars for arm strength).

Adriel, Louis, Samuel



### **Pupil Voice** (This week School Council)

#### **Children in Need**

Thank you to all children who dressed in their own clothes and donated £1.00 to support Children In Need. We raised a total of £364.08 for this very worthy cause and your support is much appreciated.



### **Focus on Excellence**

In Year 4, the children are reaching new heights in their learning during their Mighty Mountains topic. There has been some fantastic writing based on 'The Fire on the Mountain', a wonderful story from Ethiopia. In Geography, they have learnt about different types of mountains and how they are formed. They have also researched the heights of the Seven Summits, the highest mountains in each continent. As well as this, it is great to see the progress that all of the children are making in their weekly swimming lessons. Several children who were previously non-swimmers are now able to swim complete widths.

In Science, the topic is States of Matter so there has been lots of discussion about how to tell if an object is a solid, a liquid or mass. Now, we have moved onto changing between states of matter, finding out about melting.

### **Other News .....**

#### **Marle Hall**

To Year 5 parents/carers, if not already paid, a reminder that the second instalment of £50.00 was due last week. If not already paid, please process the payment via parent pay this weekend.

#### **Cornwall**

To Year 6 parents/carers, reminder that next payment for this residential is due next Wednesday, 27th November. Please pay via ParentPay (if you've not already done so!)

#### **Dinner Menu**

We recently advised of the updated menu details ie., that the current menu is continuing until the end of the current school year. Please note that on Friday 20th December (last day of the autumn term) there will be a change to the menu. The red option will be a turkey fillet and the green option will be a quorn fillet.

#### **Weather**

Autumnal weather is well and truly here, which unfortunately means it is now getting a lot colder, wetter etc., Please ensure that your child is properly equipped ie., appropriate winter coat/winter shoes. Children also need a sweatshirt/cardigan in school during the colder months. Please ensure items are 'named'. It is unbelievable how many sweatshirts/cardigans we have accumulated in our lost property box since the start of this term!

#### **Extra Curricular**

##### **Swimming Lessons**

Ridgeway School (next door) have a small swimming pool on site and an outside provider, JKM Swimschool provide swimming tuition on Wednesdays and Thursdays for children. For further information visit [www.jkmswimschool.co.uk](http://www.jkmswimschool.co.uk)

##### **Warwick School Christmas Action**

Warwick School will be running holiday camps during the Christmas holidays, on Monday 23rd December and Thursday 2nd/Friday 3rd January. Go to the link below for further information:-  
[www.warwickschool.org/Christmas-activities-2019-20](http://www.warwickschool.org/Christmas-activities-2019-20)