



Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, Woodloes is part of the Community Academies Trust. The vision of the Trust is to promote outstanding community education but they are also keen for individual schools to retain their individuality and to avoid a 'one size fits all' approach that can often be a characteristic of some educational trusts.

Behind the scenes there are lots of things we do together as a family of schools and we enjoy close links with Budbrooke, Heathcote and Stratford Primary as well as working closely with other schools in the Warwick and Southam Consortium.

Next week, we will be hosting a team from the CAT who are coming to look at different aspects of our work. This is something we do routinely and we reciprocate by taking part in visits to other schools in our Trust. This gives us the opportunity to verify the things we do well and also to look at areas where we can still improve so they are incredibly worthwhile. Some of our visitors will want to speak with your children about their experiences in school and they might also have time for a quick chat with parents. So, if you see someone you don't recognise in a suit, you know why they are here!

Many thanks for your continuing support!

Andy Mitchell (Head Teacher)

What's Going On

Tuesday 23rd January 3.30-4.00pm
Year One Phonic Screening Meeting
(crèche provided)

**** Change of Date ****

Please note Year 4 Assembly date (as shown in Academic Year Planner) has changed from Wednesday 31st January to Wednesday 23rd May

Year 3 have already been very busy this half term designing and making Roman shields as one of their home learning tasks. Some of the children have created their own mosaic tiles using 'tesserae' to show images of Roman life.

We are looking forward to seeing all of the other 'Roman' inspired home learning that children are enthusiastically working on!



Governor Focus

One of the most important aspects of our role as governors is to verify standards at Woodloes. At our governing body meeting last week we were very fortunate to receive presentations from the assessment leader and subject leaders for English and Maths. They presented us with some very positive evidence that shows outstanding progress has been made across the school in English and Maths during the autumn term and we were very pleased to see how well the subject leaders understand not only the strengths but are continually focussed on areas for development.

As governors, we also undertake regular visits to the schools so we can verify these judgements for ourselves and we have a comprehensive programme of visits planned for this term that we will update you on as the term progresses.

Attendance News



Highest class attendance for last week—Class 2L (Miss List) with 99.3%!

Whole school attendance to date - 96.7% (school target 96.5%)

Pupils with 100% to date = 113 pupils = 28%

What I love about Woodloes

I love being at Woodloes because we get to do lots of PE and sports. I also love forest school because we get all muddy and the adults are really nice!



eSafety

Always ask permission of other children's parents before posting photographs or videos where they can be seen.

Recommended app: Piiig Labs is a creative science-based app which teaches children to use their logic as they complete various experiments. There are 8 activities to complete and fun interactive images to play with which will challenge your children; budding scientists will build everything from a light bulb to a volcano and watch as they come to life once each is successfully put together. (£1.99 App Store)

Pupil Voice Sport Relief Super School!!

Woodloes have been officially named a Sport Relief Super School in recognition of the fundraising we have done year on year for Sports Relief. We received a letter from Tom Daley (Sport Relief ambassador) thanking us for our hard work and congratulating us on receiving the award. We are proud of the charitable work that we do and it is fantastic to receive recognition for it.

School Councillors Ella and Manhoor said, "This award is amazing! I am proud to be part of Woodloes and the work that we do for others."

"We are happy that we are helping others and raising money!"

Well Done and keep up the good work!
Matt Clark
Year 5 Teacher & PE Subject Leader



Focus on Excellence

Saplings have had 18 new children start with them this January and they have all settled in really well and have already formed some beautiful relationships with their peers and teachers.

The children have shown a great interest in our large range of books, as well as developing their physical skills in Forest Play.

We are very proud of our children's behaviour, self esteem and confidence this year. Well done children—keep up the good work!



Other News

Year 5 & 6 Residential Trips As reminded in last weeks' newsletter, the next instalment of £50.00 is due today for the Marle Hall and Cornwall trips. Please ensure that your Parent Pay account is kept upto date with payments. If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to speak to the school office to discuss further.

Extra Curricular Activities There are still a number of spaces still available in a number of the extra curricular clubs. Please speak to the school office for further details of spaces, costings etc.

Warwickshire Police (Safer Neighbourhood News) would like to offer information/advice regarding 'Identity Theft'..... Don't throw anything away with your name/address/financial details on (shred it). If you receive unsolicited emails, or phone calls from what appear to be your bank/building society asking for security details, NEVER reveal anything via this communication. Check statements for unexpected transactions and don't leave bank/credit card statements lying around. If you move, redirect mail for at least 12 months. If you are unfortunate to be the victim of identity theft, act quickly ie., report to your bank, cancel cards, passports etc. If you aren't sure of which organisation to call, contact Action Fraud for advice <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/> 0300 1232040.

Year 5 Choral Fun Day Princethorpe College are holding this event on Saturday 27th January from 9.00am to 4.30pm. This will include a day of free musical activities, singing tuition and team building skills ending with a gala performance for family and friends. Spaces are limited and will be offered on a 'first come, first served' basis. Contact Helen Morgan on 01926 634262 or email helenmorgan@princethorpe.co.uk for further information.