



WOODSEAVES C.E. ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,
Welcome back, I hope you all had a pleasant and enjoyable half term. We are entering one of our busiest half terms and as you can see there is certainly a lot of events coming up over the next 6 weeks. Please do update your calendars and diaries so that you don't miss anything. I am trying not to mention the 'C' word yet but it will come around very quickly.

This half term our value is 'Hope' which fits in very nicely with our Remembrance and Advent assembly themes coming up. The children are enjoying our 'Values Bears' and are very good at nominating a fellow pupil who has demonstrated a particular value and therefore gets to have a bear sitting with them for a morning or afternoon.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Parent's Evenings, I hope you found them useful. Please do remember that if you have any further questions or concerns which arise that you can speak to either myself or the class teacher at any time.

Kind regards
Mrs Gallant

SCHOOL NEWS!

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING:

We would like to say a big thank you to all those parents and members of the community who attended our coffee morning on Friday, 30th September 2016 to raise money for Macmillan, in memory of Crystal Jenkins. The event was a huge success and we managed to raise £265.85 from the sale of cakes and refreshments.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE HARVEY FAMILY!

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Harvey family for raising a further £1,090 for the school and for their kind donations which we intend to raffle at a later date. All donations were given in memory of Gemma Roe! Thank you!

BOOK FAIR:

Once again our recent book fair was a huge success. Through the generosity of parents purchasing books for their children, we managed to qualify for £453 commission which we spent on additional Reading books for each classroom.

SCHOOL ROOF:

I am sure everyone is aware that work to our roof is complete and we are now in possession of a full insulated new roof which long term should help reduce our heating costs.

HARVEST PRODUCE:

We were very fortunate to have had Jude Munday come in and visit us during an assembly to share with the children the work undertaken by the House of Bread. Following her visit, we were presented with a thank you certificate. All donations were gratefully received and will be passed on to those less fortunate than ourselves in Stafford.

SHOE BOX APPEAL:

Once again, the shoe box appeal was a great success. This year, they managed to collect 100 boxes across the church and school which will go to children around the world, who otherwise would not receive a gift at Christmas.

DIARY DATES:

Tue 8th Nov '16	'Open Day' for prospective parents from 9am to 3pm
Thur 10th Nov '16	Class 1 Parents in for Literacy lesson @ 11am
Fri 18th Nov '16	Assembly for Class 3 parents @ 2.50pm
Fri 25th Nov '16	Assembly for Class 2 parents @ 2.50pm
Thur 1st Dec '16	Reception parents in for Literacy/Phonics lesson @ 11am Fencing Competition here from 4.30pm to 5.30pm
Thurs 8th Dec '16	Christmas Disco organised by Friends of Woodseaves from 5pm until 7pm
Fri 9th Dec '16	Reception and Class 1 on school trip to Burchess Valley
Mon 12th Dec '16	Flu Immunisation for Year 1, 2 and 3 by school nurse - letter of consent to follow. Pantomime for whole school @ 1.30pm
Tue 13th Dec '16	Nativity Plays for parents @ 2pm and 6.15pm
Thurs 15th Dec '16	Church Club from 5pm to 6.45pm
Fri 16th Dec '16	Christmas Mufti Day! Last Day of Term!
Tue, 3rd Jan '17	School Re-opens!



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LUNCH TIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY:

We are looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor to work Monday to Friday from 12pm until 1pm. The hourly rate of pay is £7.66. If you are interested in applying, then please pick up an application form from the school office. The closing date for applications is extended to Wednesday, 9th November at 9am.

SALE OF HOT CHOCOLATE:

Please be advised that from Monday, 7th November, Jane will be selling Hot Chocolate at break time for juniors at a cost of 50p.

PARENT READERS!

We are always looking for volunteers who have some time on their hands and who would be willing to come in, preferably on a Thursday, and hear readers. All volunteer's will be required to comply with our safeguarding policy and complete a DBS in advance. We are currently short on readers in Class 3. So if you are interested then please speak to Miss Hulme or Mrs Yates directly.

YEAR 6 SAT'S PARENTS MEETING:

On Thursday, 12th January 2017 at 6pm, we will be holding a Year 6 SATs meeting for Year 6 Parents. The meeting should last approximately an hour. If you are unable to make this meeting but would like some Information, please let us know in your child's Home School book

LESSON & LUNCH:

Class 1 Parents—On Thursday, 10th November we will be inviting parents in to participate in a literacy lesson followed by lunch, starting at 11am.

Reception Parents—On Thursday, 1st December at 11am, we will be inviting reception parents in to see how we teach literacy and phonics. Parents will also get the opportunity to stay and have lunch with their child.

CHRISTMAS MEAL:

Our traditional Christmas lunch has been organised for Thursday, 8th December 2016. This is a wonderful event bringing both the children and staff together. Further details to follow.

NATIVITY PLAY:

The infants will be busy practising their songs and words for this year's forthcoming Nativity Play which is taking place on Tuesday, 13th December at 2pm and a further performance at 6.15pm. Tickets will go on sale nearer the time at a cost of £1.00 each.

CLASS ASSEMBLY INVITATIONS:

Class 3 Parents:

We have organised an assembly for Class 3 Parents on Friday, 18th November at 2.50pm.

Class 2 parents:

An assembly for Class 2 parents has been arranged for Friday, 25th November at 2.50pm.

Both assemblies will give parents the opportunity to see some of the lovely work the children have produced this term.

CHRISTMAS DISCO!

On Thursday, 8th December, the Friends of Woodseaves have organised a Christmas disco from 5pm until 7pm. Further details to follow shortly.

CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS:

Just to remind parents that any changes to your contact details including address, mobile number and home telephone number, can you please let me know immediately. It is vitally important that we retain the correct information should we need to contact you during the day.

PARTY AFTERNOON:

On Thursday, 15th December, we have organised a party afternoon for all the children. It will be a fun afternoon filled with lots of party games and music. The children can if they wish, bring in party clothes, which they can get changed into during lunch break.

CHRISTMAS LAST DAY OF TERM CELEBRATIONS:

Our final celebration will be on Friday, 16th December. We will be walking the children down to Knightley Church for our Christmas Carol Service with Reverend Kathryn, starting at 10am.

Unfortunately, due to the size of the church we will not be able to invite parents to this event.

Children can come to school on that Friday dressed in Christmas clothes (or any clothes) and bring a toy with them to play with after the service. All we ask is a £1 contribution which will go towards school funds.

To minimise the risk of breakage, we have decided that no electrical toys should be brought in, nor any expensive toys or toys with small parts which could potentially get lost.