



# Wood Ley Community Primary School



## Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

I hope you all have a lovely family Christmas and are looking forward to the year ahead. We have lots of things planned for the Spring term, which are outlined on the last page titled diary dates.

### Online Safety Workshop Friday 23rd February

We are delighted to offer the opportunity for parents to learn more about keeping their child safe using the internet which includes online gaming and the use of social media. We have booked an online safety expert to offer support to parents and children around protecting themselves online. Parents will have the opportunity to work with their child in class for the second part of the morning.

### Road Safety

Thank you to the parents who have been considerate enough to park in the leisure centre car park and reduce the congestion outside the school gate. We are monitoring the dangerous parking closely and we have been liaising with Suffolk Constabulary who have issued this advice.

### Advice received from Stowmarket Safer Neighbourhood Team

Should any parent or concerned member of the public contact you to complain about a vehicle potentially parked dangerously, can you please advise them to contact 101 (or 999 in an emergency). Our control room will then make an assessment based on the threat, harm and risk posed by the situation and allocate a resource if necessary.

PCSO 3098 David Harvey

Youth Officer (CRC, Juvenile Misper, YOT Link, CSE, Schools)



## Wood Ley Stars

The children who were awarded star of the week certificates in December were:

Acer - Izzy, Emma

Cedar— Kara, Jamie, Georgia

Hazel— Zach, Penny, George, Kyle

Poplar— Harry, Leo, Chloe

Beech— Harry, Druhan, Rose

Maple— Emily, Aiden, Charlotte

Cherry— Helena, Evie, Oliver, James

Oak— Jack, Dotty, Lily

Elm— Jed, Eva, Charlie

## School Values Award for Friendship

Well done to the children who were nominated by their teachers for demonstrating the school value of friendship through last half term.

Acer— Chloe Cattermole

Cedar—James Baker

Hazel—Rebecca Brown

Poplar—Ellis Newell

Beech—Archie Pickett

Maple—Mia Burch

Cherry—Helena Ager

Oak—Maya Angrave

Elm - Amelia Darby Bowers

Next half term we are focusing on the school value of **respect**. We are looking forward to finding out who will be nominated by their teachers for demonstrating this value.

## Work To Be Proud Of

We are very proud of the excellent fund raising which has taken place over this half term. Collectively we have raised £1,195.17 to support various charities. Thank you to everyone who has contributed and supported the children in their enthusiasm to help others.

### Upper Key Stage 2 Enterprise

Well done to all of the year 5 and 6 children and staff for their hard work leading up to and during the enterprise event on Friday 15th December. They made a clear profit of £ 696, which is amazing. The children really enjoyed the event, their enthusiasm was infectious and made this an exciting event.

### SEN Drop In Thursday 25th January 2.30

Mrs Spinks is looking forward to meeting parents at the next SEN drop in session in the library on **Thursday 25th January**. If you have issues you would like to raise with Mrs Spinks at the drop in please could you e mail her to enable her to prepare for the meeting.

### Friendship Award

Well done to the children who received the friendship award at the end of term. We are very proud of you.



# School Visits & Activities

## Foundation Stage

In Holly and Willow classes the children will be finding out about people who help us, hopefully they will be meeting someone from the fire service and police service. They will be reading "The Jolly Postman" and "This is the Bear." The children will be learning about recycling, sorting different materials which can be recycled. They will be learning about the Chinese New Year and how this is celebrated. It is going to be a very busy term in Foundation Stage.



## Key Stage 1



The children will be learning about different types of transport from the past and modern day. They will be looking at how transport has changed and modern inventions. This will link with the books and stories the children will be sharing in their English lessons.

## Lower Key Stage 2

In years 3 and 4 the children will be looking at a healthy diet and healthy eating, which is timed very well after Christmas. They will be designing and cooking a healthy flapjack and during science they will be learning about teeth and the digestive system. The food theme continues into topic work where the children will be finding out about food around the world.



## Upper Key Stage 2



The children in years 5 and 6 will be studying World War 2, a very special themed day has been planned where the children will be invited to dress up as children from this time. They will be able to sample some food from 1940's such as spam sandwiches, which I am sure they will love. In art the children will be creating water colour silhouettes using the world War 2 theme. Staff are hoping to book a trip to Duxford where the children can see the collection of

aeroplanes and World War 2 memorabilia .

# Diary Dates & Term Dates

## January

Thursday 4th January—first day of term for children

Tuesday 9th January— 1.30pm - Open Afternoon for prospective new parents

Wednesday 10th January—Swimming commences for year 5 pupils

Thursday 11th January—Beech Class Forest Schools session 1 of 5

Monday 15th—NHS Flu Immunisation Catch Up Day

Thursday 18th January—Beech Class Forest Schools session 2

Tuesday 23rd January—Clubs run by Wood Ley staff begins 3.20—4.10

Thursday 25th January—2.30 SEN drop in.

Thursday 25th January—Beech Class Forest Schools session 3

## February

Thursday 1st February—Beech Class Forest Schools session 4

Tuesday 6th February—Sign to Sing Music Concert for children

Thursday 8th February—Beech Class Forest Schools last session

Friday 9th February—Friend's Disco

Monday 12th February—Half Term begins

Monday 19th February—Parents' evening on line booking opens at 6pm

Wednesday 21st February - 3.30 Year 2 SATS presentation for parents, 4pm Year 6 SATS presentation

## Term Dates 2017/2018

### Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 September – Tuesday 19 December 2017

(Half Term – Week commencing 23 October 2017)

### Spring Term 2018

Wednesday 3 January – Thursday 29 March 2018

(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 12 February 2018)

### Summer Term 2018

Monday 16 April – Tuesday 24 July 2018

(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 28 May 2018)

Please note that from within the above dates, five non-pupil days will be determined by individual schools. The non-pupil days for Wood Ley School will be:

Monday 4 September 2017

Tuesday 5 September 2017

Wednesday 3 January 2018

Monday 16 April 2018

Friday 25 May 2018