



# Wood Ley Community Primary School



## Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

I hope you are looking forward to the many activities we have planned to share with you over the last few weeks of term. Please see the back page where a list of events have been recorded.

### Winter Enterprise Event— Friday 6th December

The children have been worked very hard in preparation for the winter enterprise event on Friday. They have been making different crafts to sell and preparing games and activities.



In addition they have been practising their writing skills by contacting local businesses to ask for donations to support their stalls. Thank you to everyone who has helped the children and those of you who have volunteered to support them on the day. We hope it will be very successful.

### Roof Project

As you can see the scaffolding is in place around the school and the roof repairs are due to start very soon. Thank you for bearing with us during this time and supporting staff to ensure the children can enter and leave school safely. We hope the rain does not delay work too much.

### Tuesday 10th December—Christmas Art Exhibition

We are opening the school doors from 3.20—5.20 on Tuesday 10th December to welcome you all to come and see our first art exhibition. The choir will be singing festive songs during the evening and refreshments will be available in the school hall. We hope you enjoy this new opportunity to share some of the children's achievements.



## Wood Ley Stars

We are extremely proud of the children listed below who all received star of the week certificates in recognition of their hard work and excellent behaviour during October.

Elm: Sophia, Evanee, Layla

Oak: Georgina, Freya

Cherry: Kason, Hollie

Beech: Amber, Lily

Maple: Rosie

Poplar: Finley

Acer: Finley

Cedar: Mark

Hazel: Zak

Children from Holly and Willow classes will be joining the special sparkly Friday assemblies in the near future.

## Always Club



The children from KS2 who were nominated to join the November Always Club enjoyed their swimming session this week. They were lucky enough to have the pool to themselves. Well done for always working hard and making good behaviour choices. KS1 will enjoy their activity soon.

## SEN Drop In Thursday 30th January 2020 at 2.30

Mrs Spinks is looking forward to meeting parents at the next SEN drop in session in the library on **Thursday 30th 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.

## Junior Road Safety Officers



It was lovely to see the children supporting our junior road safety officers by wearing their brightest clothes as part of the "Be Bright Be Seen," day on Friday 29th November. The day was launched with an exciting assembly with the road safety officers acting out a safety ninja scenario. We raised an amazing £270 for the road safety fund.

They announced the lucky winners of their road safety competition and introduced the new road safety mascot. The children will be thinking of a suitable name for the road safety hedgehog over the next few weeks. We will keep you posted in the next Newsletter.



# School Visits & Activities

## Construction Workshop



The children in UKS2 thoroughly enjoyed the construction workshop. Amongst the activities they were involved with were, basic plumbing and laminate floor laying, which might come in very useful in the near future. Thank you to Eastern Region Training for running the workshops.

## Reading Workshop – Friday 8th November

It was lovely to see so many parents attending the reading workshop this term. 113 parents completed the feedback form after attending the workshop, thank you very much, we find your comments valuable. 97% of parents who replied found the reading workshop useful and 94% felt it helped them gain a better understanding of their child's learning. We will continue to provide a variety of workshops throughout the year as so many of you enjoy the



experience of working alongside your child.

## First Aid Training Follow Up



The children were so enthused by the first aid training they received as part of the workshop in November that they made it their mission to raise awareness of the location of defibrillators around Stowmarket. The children submitted selfies revealing the location of the different defibrillators they found in the locality.

# Diary Dates & Term Dates

## December

Monday 2nd December—UKS2 Stone Age Workshop

Monday 2nd December—LKS2 Basket Ball Taster Sessions.

Tuesday 3rd December— UKS2 Basket Ball Taster Session

Tuesday 3rd December—Foundation visit to Wolsey Theatre.

Tuesday 3rd December—Maple Class Forest Schools Session

Tuesday 3rd December—Christmas Tree Festival—choir singing in St Peter and St Mary's church 6pm

Wednesday 4th December—Poplar Class Forest Schools session

Wednesday 4th December—Young Carers Meeting

Thursday 5th December—Beech Class Forest Schools session

Friday 6th December—Winter Enterprise Event

Tuesday 10th December—Christmas Art Exhibition 3.20—5.20

Wednesday 11th December—Always Club KS! And Foundation

Thursday 12th December—9.15 Foundation Stage Christmas Event.

Friday 13th December—UKS2 Christmas Tree Festival

Tuesday 17th December—Carols By Candlelight - KS1 and KS2 event at Stowmarket High School.

Matinee performance at 2.15 Evening performance 6pm.

Wednesday 18th December—Children's Christmas Lunch

Thursday 19th December—Whole School Pantomime Cinderella

Thursday 19th December—Last Day of Term.

## Term Dates 2019 / 2020

### Autumn Term 2019

Wednesday 4 September – Thursday 19 December 2019

(Half Term – Week commencing 21st October 2019)

### Spring Term 2020

Wednesday 8 January – Thursday 2 April 2020

(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 17 February 2020)

### Summer Term 2020

Tuesday 21st April – Wednesday 22 July 2020

(Half Term – Week commencing Monday 25 May 2020)

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 6 January 2020

Tuesday 7 January 2020

Monday 20 April 2020