

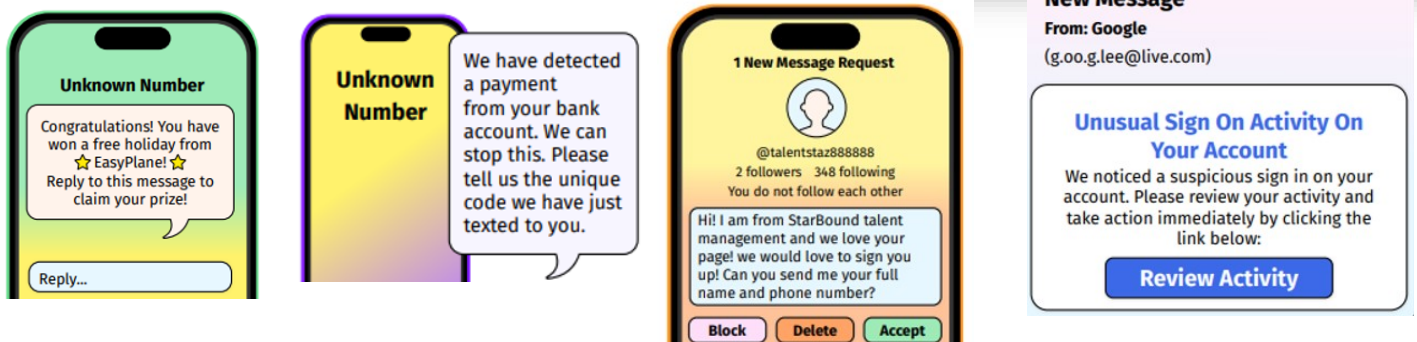
Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 14th February 25

It has been a busy final week of the half term. Miss Harvey has been leading us all in thinking about online safety. We joined 170 countries around the world to celebrate the internet and how it brings so many advantages to our lives but also to consider how we can keep ourselves safe when using our devices.

The theme this year was '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**'. Children have been learning how to spot a scam online, understanding what the word 'phishing' means and how to protect their personal information. We shared the poster SCAM with our children to help them spot a strategy that is intending to trick them and to then seek help from a trusted adult.

S If something **seems to good to be true.**
C If someone **contacts you, when you weren't expecting it, like in a message or email.**
A If someone or something **asks for your personal information.**
M If someone asks for **money or to trade with you.**



The Glow Disco on Thursday was such a lovely event. Everyone looked wonderful in their 'glowing' outfits, complete with glo sticks. A huge thank you to Mrs Dickson and our Rotakids for organising such a fun event.

Today is our last day of the half term and children looked fantastic in their Rainbow, Beaver, Cub or Brownie uniforms as we celebrated Founders Day a little earlier than usual.

We hope everyone has a great week and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday 24th February.

Happy Valentine's Day Woodlands,

Mrs Newton

Half termly attendance review

Please be aware that all children with attendance below 90% will receive a letter after half term so parents are aware of their child's current attendance. We know many parents work in partnership with us regarding attendance and there are a number of valid reasons for the attendance figure. However, if you receive one of these letters for different reasons then we would love to see an improvement in your child's attendance over the next half term so they don't miss valuable learning.



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK!

RJ 98.7%, 4R 97.7% achieved the highest attendance.

Very well done to these children and their families.

These children deserve an extra playtime.

The first lesson begins at 9:00 which is a core lesson, including RWI. If your child is late they will miss the teacher input - the direct teaching and modelling.

Sporting stars of the week

Football goalies and goal shooting stars include: Callum, Leo, Lincoln, Ryan, Nixon, Riley. Lincoln was also the mascot for West Bromwich Albion last Saturday which is incredibly exciting.

Ella S was also super brave as she undertook a tricky medical procedure.

Gymnasts making significant progress are Sienna, Nella, Amber, Lottie and Seraya. Seraya also gained the next award in swimming along with Ava Marie. Amelia and Sienna have also achieved in their cheerleading too.

Keep up the great work everyone!



Can we please help keep everyone safe by not scooting or cycling on the playground please.

Question of the week that we will be discussing in school and you can discuss at home too:

What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

17th - 23rd February 2025

Are drones the future of delivery?

We will be thinking about the jobs that drones can undertake, including delivering parcels - the first trial of 'Prime Air' is happening in Darlington.

Our linking Woodland value is 'Adaptable'



Lots of fun at the Glow Disco



Valentine Raffle Winners

Well done to

Jackson HJ

Daphne L

Emmie G



Who are the SUPERSTARS this week?



Class	Name	Reason
NAM	Kovan-Jay L	Demonstrating your number skills in a variety of ways for example using your fingers and a number frame.
NPM	Ezme D	Using the five frame and singing the fire fighters song to count forwards and backwards up to 5.
RG	Ronnie F-H	For sharing an amazing fact about dinosaurs. Ronnie told the class that dinosaurs died millions of years ago and are extinct. J
RJ	Joban K	For knocking our socks off when we were discussing our ditty. Joban knew that we had used our dog friend Inference Iggy to answer a question – amazing Joban well done!
1W	Harper H	Excellent work in Art. Harper created an amazing piece of art based on Matisse. She created a mood coloured piece using warm and cool colours to create a split image. Well done Harper!
1S	Arla-Mae	Excellent improvement in de-coding real and non sense words when practising for the phonics screening check. Well done Arla-Mae!
2CP	Ethel	For using inference skills in her reading to help answer comprehension questions.
2D	Amiayah-Mae MM	For clearly counting out loud in her 10's and using her knowledge of the ten times tables to answer questions. Well done Amiayah-Mae!!
3A	Veer P	For Veer's fantastic work in our English lessons last week. Veer wrote a wonderful diary entry from the perspective of Alex from 'Zeus on the Loose.' Well done Veer!
3G	Jaiden B	appropriately sharing his extensive geography knowledge with the class based on research he has undertaken at home.
4R	Layla S	For a super detailed double page spread to show her learning about the River Tame. Well done.
4N	Elliott D	Trying extremely hard with his handwriting. He now needs to make sure this is consistent in all his books. Keep going!
5HO	Lyla G	For working hard during maths throughout the year so far and achieving age related on her recent assessments. Well done Lyla.
5HA	Amar W	For a great effort in his assessments. Well done you have demonstrated your understanding really well.
6P	Poppy J	Showing remarkable signs of improvement in our most recent set of assessments. Poppy achieved Greater Depth in her Reading and got one of the highest scores in Maths. Keep up the good work Poppy!
6E	Brandon C	For his hard work and effort in making progress in all aspects of his learning. Brandon takes detailed notes in every lesson and combines this with research he has carried out at home to secure objectives. Brandon truly embodies the meaning of the phrase seize every moment. I am so proud of you.

Dates on the horizon

Friday 14th February	School breaks up at the end of the day for half term break
Monday 24th February	Back to school for everyone
Wednesday 26th February	Visit to QMHS for invited children
Monday 3rd March	Parent Consultation booking via Scopay goes live at 8AM
Tuesday 4th March	2:45, RG Class Assembly, parents invited
Wednesday 5th March	Learning to cycle for some children in Y1 and Y2
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day (children can dress as a book character or in their pyjamas)
Tuesday 11th March	2:45, 1W Class Assembly, parents invited
Wednesday 12th March	TOGO NOGO Y3 Road Safety
Wednesday 12th March - Thursday 14th March	Cake Sale after school on the playground
Thursday 13th March	TOGO NOGO Y3 Road Safety
Tuesday 18th March	Y2 Visit to Dudley Zoo
Tuesday 18th March	2:45, 4N Class Assembly, parents invited
Tuesday 18th March	2:15 Y6 Prom Committee meeting - all Y6 parents welcome
Wednesday 19th March	NSPCC Workshops Y2CP and Y5
Thursday 20th March	NSPCC Workshops Y2D and Y6
Thursday 20th March	Y4 Parent meeting for Laches Wood, 2:45
Friday 21st March	Parent Consultation booking via Scopay closes at 4PM
Monday 24th to Thursday 27th	Book Fair after school
Tuesday 25th March	2:45, RJ Class Assembly, parents invited
Tuesday 25th March	Parent Consultation Y4N
Wednesday 26th March	Parent Consultation everyone
Thursday 27th March	Parent consultation everyone (except 4N)
Friday 28th March	Mother's Day Bring and Buy Sale
Monday 31st March to Friday 4th April	Easter Raffle after school on the playground
Tuesday 1st April	Y2 visiting the Methodist Church to explore Easter
Tuesday 1st April	2:45, 3G Class Assembly, parents invited
Monday 7th April	YN - Y2 Easter Bonnet competition. Y3 - Y6 Decorate an egg competition
Tuesday 8th April	Y3 visit Walsall Art Gallery
Friday 11th April	School breaks up at the end of the day for the Easter break
Monday 28th April	Back to school for everyone

Information from external providers that our families may find useful

Feb Half Term 2025

BIG BOUNCE

Kids Giant Indoor Inflatable Play Event

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 Dyspraxia Tourettes Syndrome
 Anxiety and Depression Epilepsy
 Dyscalculia Dyslexia

Walsall Black Sisters Collective

NEURODIVERGENCE

FUTURE DATES 2025 **PLEASE JOIN US**

TUESDAY 28TH JAN
 11:30 PM
 CONSULTATION DAY - LOOKING AT ADHD & AUTISM

WEDNESDAY 12TH FEB
 6:30 - 8PM
 NEURODIVERGENCE - QUESTION AND ANSWERS

WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH
 6:30 - 8PM
 COME AND MEET OTHER NEURODIVERGENCE GROUPS FROM WALSALL

For all enquiries please call: 01922 616995
 17-19 Wednesbury Road Walsall, WS1 3RU

Walsall Council **Brownhills Community Library**

Valentine's Day Craft with Diane

At Brownhills Library
Saturday 8th February
Drop-in between: 11.00am—1.00 pm
For children aged 4+
Free event!

Brownhills Library, Park View Centre, Chester Road North, Brownhills, Walsall WS8 7JB.
Telephone 01922 650730.
Email : brownhillslibrary@walsall.gov.uk

Shepwell School JOBS FAYRE!

WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY
4 - 5:30PM

A GREAT PLACE TO WORK, FEEL VALUED, AND MAKE AN IMPACT!
 WE BELIEVE IN THE IMPORTANCE OF STAFF WELLBEING AND OFFER MORE THAN JUST THE USUAL PROMISES. WE FOCUS ON REAL SUPPORT THAT HELPS YOU THRIVE IN YOUR ROLE —BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT WHEN YOU FEEL VALUED AND SUPPORTED, YOU CAN MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE.

WHAT DO WE OFFER?
 FLEXIBLE WORKING FOR YOUR LIFE AND FAMILY.
 WORKING SMARTER, NOT HARDER FOR A GREAT WORK LIFE BALANCE.
 A FAMILY FRIENDLY CULTURE.
 REAL AND MEANINGFUL SUPPORT.
 A DEEP APPRECIATION OF THE WORK YOU DO.

JOIN US TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT:
 THE CORE VALUES THAT MAKE SHEPWEEL SCHOOL A SPECIAL PLACE TO WORK.
 CURRENT VACANCIES AND HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO OUR THRIVING COMMUNITY.
 A CHANCE TO ASK QUESTIONS, SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES, AND EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST.
 WHY EDUCATION IS MORE THAN A JOB—IT'S ABOUT SEEING REAL IMPACT AND FEELING MOTIVATED AGAIN.

"I was about to leave education until I started working at Shepwell and I found my love for teaching again!"
 "I have the best work life balance I have ever had out of any school I have worked for."
 "Getting to know the young people at Shepwell makes me smile, even on the darkest days."
 "I have been given the opportunity to learn and reach my career potential."

BE INSPIRED. BE SUPPORTED. MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Shepwell School

Information from external groups that our families may find useful



HOLIDAY
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• Creative activities
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• Cooking
• Gardening
• Nature Education
• Campfires
• Outdoor play

Lunch (halal, vegetarian) will be provide.

<http://tinyurl.com/caldmoreplayscheme>

Book by **7th February 2025** and we will be in touch by **Monday 10th** to confirm your child's space

You have to register for the whole week.

If you have any questions, please contact Anna on 07871 813252.

CALDMORE COMMUNITY GARDEN
12 Carless Street,
WS1 3RH Walsall



autism
west midlands

Understanding Autism in Children Webinar

This webinar series is open to anyone in the wider west midlands area, including West Midlands, Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Shropshire.

Join us for a one off, introductory training session on Understanding Autism in children. In this session, we will cover:

- What autism is
- Autistic differences, including communication and sensory
- Diagnosis
- Supporting an autistic child

Tues 11th Feb 10am - 11am

Can't attend live? Catch up with a recording available for 2 weeks after the event.

Healthier Futures
Black Country Integrated Care System

In support of World Cancer Day 4 February 2025

Pop along to our local community session for information on:

- Cancer awareness
- Cancer signs and symptoms
- National screening programmes
- Healthy Lifestyle choices
- Local support services

Free to attend!

Friday 7 February
10am - 3pm

Saddlers Centre (Upper floor next to Costa Coffee)
Park Street, Walsall, WS1 1YS