

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see so many of our families in school this week, either at parent consultation or at the book fair – or both!

We hope you enjoyed meeting your child's class teacher at parent consultation and had all your questions answered and thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair, which helps us boost our class libraries. There were lots of proud children and proud parents leaving the building after their meetings!

At the meetings you may have been asked to fill in a questionnaire because we really want to know what we are doing well and how to improve. We really want Woodlands to be the best it can be for your children and family and so we value your feedback as to how we can improve and make Woodlands even better.

Positive feedback is appreciated as much as constructive feedback. Therefore, we are asking our families to complete a questionnaire about Woodlands, many parents completed the form at parents evening which is great. An electronic link for the same form is being sent home to our families today. Please take the time to complete either the paper version (available from the office) or the electronic version, through the link. Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete the questionnaire

Year 5 and Year 6 were busy on Friday as they were trained in first aid, life saving techniques. Thank you to First Response First Aid for providing these excellent workshops free of charge for our children.

Next week is the last week of this very long half term and it is looking very busy!

On Monday morning, Reception children will start entering school through the lower door on the KS1 playground. Reception staff will be there ready to greet everyone and show the children the way.

Explore and Discovery Week: A World Of Pure Imagination!

Monday is also the start of our Explore and Discovery Week, when all our classes come off timetable to enter the world of creativity and imagination. For our Big Bang on Monday, children can arrive with crazy, colourful hairstyles (which we know will last the week). Then on the Friday children can wear crazy, colourful, mismatched outfits. The more crazy the better!

Other events in the week include:

Tuesday's Pumpkin Party for Reception and Nursery

Wednesday's Reception Parent Phonic Meeting

Thursday's Halloween Disco

I also can't forget – Bryntysilio! An excited and nervous Year 6 will be busy packing this weekend as they get ready for their residential at Bryntysilio. Don't forget your toothbrushes! Mrs Newton



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK!

NAM achieved 97% and 4N achieved 99%

Very well done to these children and their families.

These children deserve an extra playtime.



**Picture
News**



21st - 27th October 2024

**Our linking
Woodland's value
is 'Enquire'**



Who are the SUPERSTARS this week?



Class	Name	Reason
NAM	Eliyana	For joining in repetitive phrases during our story: Owl babies
NPM	Nevaeh	For joining in repetitive phrases during our story: Owl babies
RG	Joel P	For being a super scientist. Joel could explain why play-doh sank when it was a ball but floated when it was a boat shape. Super Science J.
RJ	Heidi L	For always giving 100% effort in everything you do! You always work hard to complete your challenges to your very best ability. You are a wonderful role model to your friends and a real superstar!
1W	Brooklyn R	For being a super scientist. Brooklyn had excellent participation and engagement in our waterproof experiment and knew lots of scientific terms. Well done, Brooklyn J
1S	Tommy-Keiron	For his increased participation in class discussions. Tommy-Keiron has grown in confidence so far in Y1 and will share his thoughts and ideas with the class more regularly. Well done Tommy-Keiron!
2CP	Alessa P	For showing a fantastic attitude to all of her learning. Alessa has given 100% effort to all tasks this week and has impressed us with quantity and quality of her work.
2D	Lucy L	For a fantastic diary entry written in the first person based around our story 'Paddington at the Palace.' Lucy became Paddington in her diary entry and wrote about his wonderful adventures. Well done Lucy!!
3A	Jaxon O	For Jaxon's fantastic work in our history lessons. Jaxon has worked hard to understand who Alexander the Great was and why he was a successful leader. Well done!
3G	Arlo S	Striving to achieve his best in all subjects. Arlo shows pride and care in his behaviour and learning. He listens well to advice and feedback and uses it to make improvements.
4R	Bonnie J	A fabulous detailed still life sketch. Bonnie used her learning about shading and negative space to draw a super sketch. Well done.
4N	Harry F	Thinking scientifically during Science. You have impressed me with your electricity knowledge.
5HO	Amelia H	Always trying her best across all areas of the curriculum. Amelia works hard to ensure she produces her best work every lesson. Well done Amelia J
5HA	Xander R	For a fantastic effort within Maths lessons. Xander never becomes fazed by any mathematical problem put in front of him and eagerly drive to achieve the spicy challenge! Well Done.
6P	Tyler G	Making fantastic contributions to our class discussion in English. Tyler drew upon his knowledge of the text to help him plan a letter from Bruno to his mother.
6E	Isabelle M	For spending every spare moment rehearsing skills such as her handwriting. Isabelle truly embodies the phrase 'seize every moment'. I am so proud of you.

Dates on the horizon

Monday 21st October	The beginning of Explore and Discovery Week: On Monday, children can wear crazy, colourful hairstyles with their school uniform.
Monday 21st October	Y6 to Bryntysilio for the week
Tuesday 22nd October	4:30 Nursery and Reception Pumpkin Party (Child and parent together)
Tuesday 22nd October	Y3 visiting Think Tank
Wednesday 23rd October	Phonics and Reading Parents Workshop 2:15 and repeated at 4:30
Thursday 24th October	After school, Halloween Disco for Years 1 to 6
	Y1 and Y2 3:30 to 4:30 (change in school into their Halloween outfits)
	Y3 to Y6 4:45 to 5:45
Friday 25th October	Children can wear crazy, mismatched outfits. The more crazy the better!
Friday 25th October	Nasal Flu vaccination for YR to Y5 (Y6 in December)
Friday 25th October	School closes for half term
Monday 4th November	School opens
Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th	2D rearranged Parent Consultation
Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th	Reception Road Safety Walk with a parent
Monday 11th November	Anti Bullying week starts and Odd Socks Day
Friday 15th November	Children In Need. Non uniform for a donation of £1.00 through Scopay
Friday 15th November	Last day for Christmas Dinner Orders.
Tuesday 19th November	2:45, 2CP Class Assembly, parents invited
Tuesday 19th November	4:00 Y5 Parents, Queen Mary Grammar Schools Information Meeting
Wednesday 20th November	Y1 visit to the Toy Museum
Friday 22nd November	Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Fayre Items
Tuesday 26th November	2:45, 1S Class Assembly, parents invited
Wednesday 27th November	11:00 Christmas Dinner for Y4 and a parent / carer
Wednesday 27th November	Evening Walsall Arena Performance by the choir
Friday 29th November	1:45 Y3 Parents invited to a Bag a breakfast workshop (Booked places only)
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Fayre
Friday 6th December	Y6 Flu nasal vaccination (and for children that missed the first vaccination)
Friday 6th December	9:00 Assembly 'The Wonderful World of Water' for Y4
Wednesday 11th December	11:00 Christmas Dinner for Y3 and a parent / carer. Christmas dinner for all the school. Parents need to book their child's dinner through Scopay by Friday 15th November.
Thursday 12th December	Y4 visit to The Black Country Museum (change in date)
Tuesday 17th December	Y6 visit to the Theatre
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Performances: 9:15 Nursery & Reception. 2:00 Y1 & Y2
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Performances: 9:15 Y1 & Y2. 2:00 Nursery & Reception



SHOE BOX APPEAL

**SUPPORT SOMEONE IN
NEED TODAY**

MLSS is requesting you to prepare a shoebox of gifts for someone who is facing homelessness or hardships. Items such as:

Please do not wrap the shoe boxes as they will be gifted with other things and may need to be opened.

Toiletries

Shampoo
Conditioner
Shower gel
Wet wipes
Toothbrush
Comb
Hair brush
Toilet paper
Disposable gloves
Gloves
Deodorant
Roll on
Moisturiser
Hand cream

Treats

Chocolates
Sweets
Crisps
Biscuits
Soup
Drinks
Biscuits
Crisps
Vegetarian tinned food
Tea
Coffee

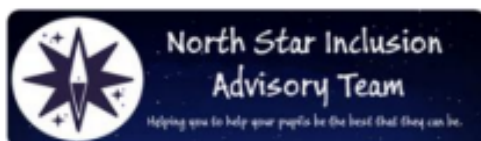
Other

Small towels
Hats
Gloves
Underwear
Socks
Thermals
Torches

Contact Sharon - 07828663681
Hub Landline - 01922661905
MIDLANDLEAGUESEVA.ORG
UK charity number: 1156985



Information from parents or external local groups that have asked Woodlands to share with the school community



AET North Star Federation-Walsall LA Hub 2024-2025

FREE Family Support Sessions

Please note, Families can attend who might be awaiting/suspect a diagnosis, seeking the 'right support at the right time'.

Family Sessions Early Years (0-5 +/-2years)

Making Sense of Autism

16th September 2024 09:30 – 11:00
11th November 2024 13:00 – 14:30
14th January 2025 09:30 – 11:00
06th March 2025 09:30 – 11:00
01st May 2025 13:00 – 14:30
02nd July 2025 13:00 – 14:30



**Developed by
leading autism
specialists**

Family Sessions Schools (5-16+-4 years)

Making Sense of Autism

16th September 2024 13:00 – 14:30
12th November 2024 09:30 – 11:00
13th January 2025 13:00 – 14:30
07th March 2025 9:30 – 11:00
02nd May 2025 13:00 – 14:30
02nd July 2025 09:30 – 11:00



**Up to date
with the latest
research**

Family Sessions Post 16(14 and beyond +/- 2 years)

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20th May 2025 13:00 – 14:30
03rd July 2025 09:30 – 11:00

Venue: Rushall Primary School, Pelsall Lane, Walsall, WS4 1NG

Booking: Please book via www.bookwhen.com/niaf

Enquiries: Contact Samantha Harrison at North Star Inclusion Advisory Team on 01922 682300 Opt 3 or email Samantha.harrison@northstarfederation.org.uk

Parking: Please be aware if your session starts at 09:15 do not arrive on site before 09:00am. The carparks will not be available to you before 09:00am.

Due to construction work please use the first carpark on THE left of the drive (opposite the fields)

FREE sessions suitable for all to attend.

Training suitable for Families, settings and professionals to attend.

Autism and Anxiety

13th November 2024 09:15 – 12:15
07th March 2025 13:00 – 16:00
20th May 2025 09:15 – 12:15

Autism and Inclusion

13th November 2024 13:00 – 16:00