

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been Harvest Week, a week of thinking about how we can help others and how we can make a difference to those around us - an important value in our Smile Tree.

We have had two very exciting assemblies this week about making a difference. Beginning on Monday when The Midland Seva Charity came to talk to us all about the amazing work they do in helping others in so many ways, from sourcing furniture to providing 48,000 hot meals a week. This charity is run by volunteers who are making a difference in the world, working across 26 towns, including Walsall.



They also run a shoe box campaign at Christmas which is something that we could help with, more details will come out about this soon.

Our children felt very proud in the second assembly as Rotakids, School Council, Mrs Dickson, Mrs Hoccom and Mrs Sims (Our Rotakids Champion) presented a cheque for £4074.63 to the representatives from the RSPCA. Laura and Emma from the RSPCA were stunned by how much the Woodlands family had raised from the sponsored fun run and colour blast in July.

Our visitors shared pictures and stories of the important work undertaken by the RSPCA to help animals across our region and so our children could see the difference they have made through their fund raising.

On behalf of the RSPCA, a charity that the children chose, thank you to all our families for contributing to our fundraising,

It is a busy time in school as a number of events draw closer, including: Parent Consultation; The Book Fair; Bryntysilio; Y3 Trip to Think Tank; the EYFS Pumpkin Party and the fun Halloween Disco for children in year 1 to year 6.

We will continue to welcome any food donations into school next week as we continue our Harvest theme.

Mrs Newton



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK!

3G achieved 96%, Y1 and Y2 achieved 99%

Very well done to these children and their families.

These children deserve an extra playtime.

Please remember 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.



Parent Consultation Evenings

During the third week of October, we shall be welcoming parents and carers into school for face-to-face teacher meetings.

Appointments need to be booked in advance, and this can be done easily via the 'Parents Evening' tab on your child's Scopay account, (www.scopay.com)

If you have not yet registered your child's account, please contact the school office who will issue a new account letter.

Appointment bookings have been live on Scopay all week and will close at 4:00pm on Monday 14th October.

Parent Consultation will be held on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th October

Should you have any issues booking your appointment on Scopay, there is a parent's guide in the letters section on the school website, this can also be accessed on the Help section on your Scopay account.

Our A Star Sheriffs have been joining other A Star Sheriffs across Walsall to be trained in their role this week, along with Mrs Rich and Miss Schofield.



They had great fun learning about their new role and are already planning assemblies and competitions.



Walk to School Month

October is international 'Walk to School Month', a great chance to get active and take on Dazzle's 15 day challenge.

Every child has been given a card that they can tick daily if they either walk, scoot, cycle or park and stride to school. It might mean getting up slightly earlier to achieve!

Children that manage to achieve active travel for the full 15 days will be put in a draw to win a Walsall A star goodie bag.

Let's get active Woodlands!



**OCTOBER IS...
INTERNATIONAL
WALK TO SCHOOL
MONTH**

6P's Historical Class Assembly

6P looked magnificent on Tuesday afternoon, in clothing that would have been worn by English citizens, during the era of World War 2. The children shared their extensive knowledge of what happened during this time in history. This included how people of the time helped the war effort and what impact the conflict had both on the time period in question and also on modern Britain. Your enthusiasm towards the subject could be clearly seen.

Fantastic job 6P!!

Mrs Macpherson



Y6 Applications to Secondary School

Y6 families drop-in sessions at various locations throughout Walsall to assist parents and carers in completing their online secondary 2025 applications. The teams will be able to provide guidance and support with application submissions.

We have the following sessions available;

Location: **Willenhall Library**

Date: Tuesday, 15 October 2024

Time: : 9:30am - 12:30pm

Address: 1 Walsall St, Willenhall, WV13 2EX

Location: **Darlaston Library**

Date: Tuesday, 15 October 2024

Time: : 1pm - 4pm

Address: 1 King Street, Darlaston WS10 8DE

Location: **Lichfield Street Hub**

Date: Wednesday, 16 October 2024

Time: 9am - 5pm

Address: Lichfield St, Walsall, WS1 1TR

Location: **Blakenall Village Centre**

Date: Thursday, 17 October 2024

Time: 1pm - 4pm

Address: 79 Thames Rd, Bloxwich, Walsall, WS3 1LZ

Information about paid ukulele / guitar sessions by Creative Music

Following the taster session, we send out an email to the address provided by the parent / guardian to ask if the child enjoyed the lessons and wanted to take part weekly.

When parents respond to confirm they want to start lessons, and we have allocated a space for their child (which is allocated on a first come, first serve basis) we send out a detailed email with all of our New Starter information, including their first invoice and our payment details (lessons are invoiced per half-term).



**Picture
News**



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

7th - 13th October 2024

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

How important are human interactions?

**Our linking
Woodland's value
is 'Team Player'**



Harvest

**Harvest continues
in school next
week,
any donations
for the local
food bank will
be
gratefully
received.**

HARVEST 2024

SHOPPING LIST

BLACK COUNTRY FOODBANK HELPS VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN CRISIS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF AN EMERGENCY FOOD AND TOILETRY PARCEL, WHILE A LONGER-TERM SOLUTION IS DEVELOPED

PLEASE SUPPORT US BY DONATING ITEMS FROM OUR SHOPPING LIST

- CARTONS OF LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE
- CARTONS OF UHT MILK
- CORDIAL/SQUASH
- SMALL JARS OF COFFEE
- TEA BAGS BOX OF 40'S
- TINNED CHOPPED TOMATOES
- TINNED POTATOES/MASH
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED CUSTARD/RICE PUDDING
- TINNED READY MEALS (MEATBALLS/CHILLI/MAC AND CHEESE)
- TINNED MEAT (HAM/CORNERED BEEF)
- TINNED FRAY BENTOS PIES
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- BREAKFAST CEREAL
- PASTA SAUCE
- SAVOURY RICE
- INSTANT NOODLES
- ROLL ON DEODORANT
- SHAMPOO
- SHOWER GEL
- TOILET ROLL
- BARS OF SOAP



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OF OUR SHORTAGES LIST ON
YOUR SHOPPING DAY

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Who are the SUPERSTARS this week?



Class	Name	Reason
NAM	Leo	In the art lab creating a beautiful collaged yellow flower and used the correct language to label parts of the flower.
NPM	Ellis	Made a wonderful collaged pictures, talking confidently about the stepping stones he had made with the collage.
RG	George L	For working really hard in his labs learning this week. George has been accessing ALL of the LABS we have created and managed to get his name on the rainbow everyday
RJ	Emily Price	For always working hard during our Learning Labs, making choices that challenge her and helping to practise her skills. Your clipboard is already brimming Emily – well done!
1W	Alexandria J	For incredible Maths work. Alex was able to accurately and confidently compare numbers to 10 using greater than, less than and equal to. Well done Alex!
1S	Ella-Mae	Fantastic effort and enthusiasm towards all learning! Ella-Mae always tackles learning challenges with big smiles and a positive attitude! Well done!
2CP	Steven W	Listening intently to the CO Worksop and showing a good understanding. Steven was able to answer tricky questions and also ask very sensible questions to extend his learning.
2D	Jaxon L	For creating some wonderful independent sentences around our story about Paddington at the Palace, using 'in print.' Well done Jaxon!
3A	Lily-Grace B	For her fantastic work in maths last week. Lily-Grace worked hard to compare and order three-digit numbers. Well done Lily-Grace!
3G	Theo K	For settling really well into 3G and approaching every task with a Woodlands smile.
4R	Zara D	Excellent Science knowledge. Zara was able to explain why electrical circuits did/did not work using the correct scientific vocabulary. Well done.
4N	Lincoln D	Tackling a new way of editing in English. You really listened and improved the composition of your writing. Well done!
5HO	Amiya S	For producing an excellent double-paged spread on the favelas in Rio. Amiya used her knowledge to inform the reader using pictures and key facts.
5HA	Logan H	For a fabulous drawing of an eye in Art. Logan tried very hard to use the techniques shared during the lessons and it showed as he was very proud of what he had done. Well done!
6P	Ivy Y	For producing some fantastic writing so far in Year 6. Ivy thinks carefully about what to write, making sure to include aspects from our class text. She really listens and takes on board any advice and feedback given, meaning what she produces is wonderful.
6E	Molly W	For practicing her handwriting in her own time to ensure that she has accurate letter formation. Well done Molly, I am very proud of you.

Dates on the horizon

Week of 7th October	Whole school Harvest theme continues (Donated food for the food bank)
Wednesday 9th October	The Fire Service visiting Y4 (moved to Wednesday 9th October)
Monday 14th to Thursday 17th October	3:30 Book Fair Week for all children
Wednesday 16 th and Thursday 17 th October	Parent Consultation evenings
Friday 18th October	First Aid Workshops for Y5 and Y6
Monday 21st October	Explore and Discovery Week
Monday 21st October	Y6 to Bryntysilio for the week
Tuesday 22nd October	4:30 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	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	Reception Road Safety Walk with a parent
Monday 11th November	Anti Bullying week starts and Odd Socks Day
Friday 15th November	Children In Need
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	Evening Walsall Arena Performance by the choir
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas Fayre
Friday 6th December	Y6 Flu nasal vaccination (and for children that missed the first vaccination)
Tuesday 17th December	Y6 visit to the Theatre
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Performances by Nursery to Y2
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Performances by Nursery to Y2
Wednesday 18th December	Y4 visit to The Black Country Museum
Thursday 19th December	School closes at the end of the day for children
Friday 20th December	Teacher Training Day
Monday 6th January	School opens for everyone

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



OPEN DAY

THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER
4PM - 8PM

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