

Woodlands Academy of Learning

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term! My favourite term, despite the busyness and full calendar. It is the term when we see our children make the most progress as their learning clicks into place and they have a chance to apply in their assessments. It is a term of celebration, health and fitness, summer sizzler, transition, the Queen's Birthday and planning for the next academic year. Phew - a lot to fit in!

It has been wonderful to welcome your children back into school, with their big smiles and enthusiastic approach. We had a very special assembly on Tuesday when we introduced our very own 'Woodlands Prayer'. Every child from R to Y6 wrote their own prayer during the Spring Term which then led to

Our School Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you God for keeping us safe,
For making this world such a special place.
We are fortunate to have cherished families and friends,
And caring teachers, so our thanks to you we send.
Help us to remember and support those in need,
Guide us to make the right choices so we live in peace.
Give us strength to work hard and achieve our goals,
To show respect and love from within our souls.
Help us to be resilient and not give up on our dreams,
Being part of the Woodlands family is what all of this means.
Here at Woodlands we go that extra mile,
Let us spend each day happy, shown with our smile.

Amen

the creation of a class prayer. The class prayers have then been amalgamated, with each year group adding a line, along with a staff line, to create a very personal prayer. We introduced the prayer in assembly this week and were met with a round of spontaneous applause from the children. I think they are very proud of their achievement!

What a great way to start the term.

Happy weekend

Mrs Newton

A Stars is a key focus of this half term

All children will be involved in a whole school focus on A Stars, an initiative that teaches our children about road safety, active and sustainable travel. This has started already as children are recording daily information about how they travel to school. Other learning includes: Y3 will be learning specifically about crossing roads safely, Y6 will undertake bikeability, Y5 will be measuring the

speed of cars on Hunts Lane and analysing the data, Y2 will be scooting, Y4 will be learning about bike maintenance (they don't need a bike) and all children will be involved in a scootathan during health and Fitness Week. Plus, we invite all families to join us in a Walk to School Event on Thursday 24th May. Dates are listed on the calendar and you will receive more information about each event closer to the time.



Princess for a day



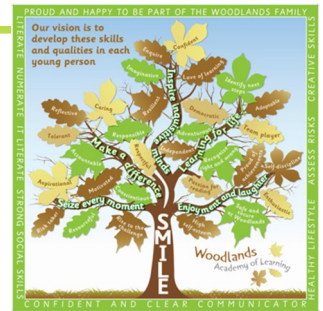
Lillie-Mae Smith is sporting a stylish new hair cut after having eight inches of her hair cut for charity. Lillie-Mae is planning to repeat the whole experience and is currently growing her hair, all over again. What a selfless act, we are so proud of you!

The leaf we are focussing on for the next two weeks from our vision is:

Safe and secure

The controversial question we are considering in school and to debate at home:

If we are kept safe, does that mean we can't have freedom?



Every Monday we celebrate the achievements of our children in our 'Celebration of Learning Assembly'. There is always a lot to celebrate and we can't share all the certificate winners, but these children earned:

Star Of The Week.

Class	Name	Reason
RE	Olivia Hickson Callum Eynon Ava Martin	Super Sentences. Super Sentences and Super learning about Greece during Explore and Discovery week Spotting the Christian cross in lots of rooms on our round the world tour.
RR	All of RR Emelia Southam Oliver Mills	For an enthusiastic approach to learning about Greece during Explore and Discovery week Super Sentences. Super Sentences.
1B	Tianna Friend	For excellent work during Explore and Discovery week
1H	All of year 1	For an enthusiastic approach to learning during Explore and Discovery week when learning new knowledge about the USA! Well done.
2G	All of 2G	For a fantastic Explore and Discovery week. You impressed all of your teachers with your knowledge of Russia. Well done!
2A	All of 2A	For a fantastic Explore and Discovery week. You impressed all of your teachers with your knowledge of Russia. Well done!
3W		Miss Webb hurt her hand before arriving at school on Monday!
3CP	Poppy Davis Jack Perkins	Writing a fabulous report, creating a pirate leaflet Superb understanding of time reading minutes 'to' and 'past' the hour. Well done Jack!
4N	Pheobe Bowyer Millie Ross	A fantastic start to the term and settling in well Improved attitude to her learning by checking her work and wanting to make it better
4R	Edward Woodfield Ellie Dean	Trying hard to improve his handwriting. Displaying a positive and enthusiastic attitude during Explore and Discovery week.
5P		Forest School
5T	Jake Evans Ronan Clarke	For his hard work and mature behaviour during Explore and Discovery week For his excellent effort in group role play during our French lesson
6E	Isabelle Watkins All of 6E	Consistently demonstrating a superb attitude towards all of her learning Excellent effort throughout Explore and Discovery week. Your newspaper reports about the tsunami in Thailand were truly exceptional. I thoroughly enjoyed reading them during the Easter break.
6P	Shaunice Duquesnay Thomas Grice	A fantastic newspaper report about the 2004 Boxing day tsunami Excellent contributions during discussions of human rights and laws.



We try the best we can to give as much notice as possible, but please note that sometimes dates are subject to change when events are beyond our control.

- 19.4.16 Tag Ruby Finals (specified children)
- 24.4.16 9:00 Education Sunday at Holy Trinity (9:30 service)
- 26.4.16 Agility Competition (specified children)
- 27.4.16 Class assembly: 5P
- 28.4.16 Y3 Road Safety (TOGO NOGO)
- 1.5.16 Bag packing by Y6 at Asda to raise funds for Y6 Prom
- 2.5.16 May Day: Bank Holiday, school closed.
- 3.5.16 Y2 SAT tests 'special work' during May
- 4.5.16 Gym Competition for specified children
- 9.5.16 Y6 SATs week
- 13.5.16 Y6 Parents lunch
- 16.5.16 National Walk to School Week / Y5 monitoring car speed on Hunts Lane
- 17.5.16 Cake Sale for Y6 prom fund
- 18.5.16 Sponsored Silence for Y6

- 18.5.16 Bike Maintenance in Y4 (No bikes needed)
- 18.5.16 RE Class Assembly / pm R trip to Church
- 19 and 20.5.16 Bikeability for Y6 (Bikes needed)
- 20.5.16 Y2 Parents lunch
- 23.5.16 Health and Fitness Week
- 23.5.16 Y6 Poetry Workshop
- 23.5.16 NHS workshop with Y5
- 24.5.16 Scooterbility in Y2 / 1:30 EYFS Sports
- 25.5.16 am New Reception Parents Meeting / 1:30 KS1 Sports
- 26.5.16 8:10 Walk to School Event / Scootathon for all
- 26.5.16 1:45 Y3 and Y4 Sports
- 27.5.16 R visit to Tamworth Castle / 1:45 Y5 and Y6 Sports
- 27.5.16 School closes for half term
- 28.5.16 Bag packing by Y6 at Asda to raise funds for Y6 Prom
- 6.6.16 School opens and transition begins
- 7.6.16 Rockstar Day
- 10.6.16 Celebrating The Queen's Birthday
- 17.6.16 Father's Day Bring and Buy Sale
- 5.7.16 / 6.7.16 3:30 - 4:30 Parent Drop Ins (Not Y6)
- 6.7.16 New Nursery Children Parent Meeting
- 7.7.16 Transition Ends
- 8.7.16 Y6 Prom
- 12.7.16 Romans Invade Y4
- 14.7.16 Summer Sizzler
- 18.7.16 Y6 Parent Drop In 3:30 - 4:30
- 19.7.16 9:30 Y6 Leavers Performance
- 20.7.16 School Closes for the Summer
- 5 and 6.9.16 School Training Days
- 7.9.16 School Opens for children