

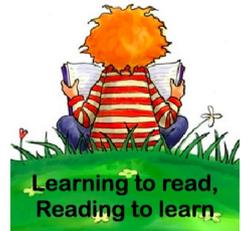
Dear Parents and Carers,



Thank you for all your donations today as we joined in with The Spotacular Children In Need. Everyone looked very spotty!

Y3 went on the hunt for dinosaurs on Wednesday and had a fabulous day at Dudley Museum. The sad news is that this wonderful museum is closing in December, so if you fancy going, we would suggest you visit soon. We have put in a bid for a life size Woolly Mammoth!

Also on Wednesday, a group of Y2 children had the opportunity to bring an adult to attend a Reading University session. Comprehension and understanding of Reading is key and this session helped parents and children devise questions about the book in a fun way as they created 'chatterboxes'. Bailey said 'I enjoyed it because I got to think of questions about books and my mum then wrote them down. I got to draw pictures. It was amazing!' The next Y2 Reading University is planned for after Christmas.



During the week, RE led a wonderful first class assembly about Charanga, our music curriculum. Our young children stood proud and confident as they sang and taught everyone about pitch and pulse. Mrs E is very excited because we have a brand new trolley filled with brand new percussion instruments. Question is - will she share this great new resource with any other classes?

If you didn't manage to see the letter I sent earlier in the week about the break in last Sunday evening, it is important to share that our children have been selfless. Through their School Council, the children voted to use the money they raised at the school disco to fix the broken windows because they don't look nice and spoil our school. This demonstrates the pride our children have in their school and the value of collective responsibility. (Of course we do have the original list of items that children had voted for, which shall somehow appear...)



There is a special event on Friday 9th December at 6:00 - 8:00. Woodlands Academy of Learning is delighted to welcome a T & T Production, The family of the New Testament Church of God and the community of Willenhall and Short Heath to gather together for a modern production of 'A Willenhall Christmas Carol.' Woodland's Choir have been busy learning new Christmas songs to complement this special performance of a Christmas Carol with a modern twist. We hope you can join us for this festive evening.

Look out for a fire engine at Woodlands on Tuesday and Thursday next week. Fire Officers are visiting Nursery to meet with children and parents to talk about keeping children safe in the car.

Next week sees the official beginning of Christmas with Nursery Christmas Dinner on Wednesday and please don't forget that

School is closed for a Teacher Training Day on Friday 25th November.

Happy weekend, Mrs Newton

Flu Vaccination

Walsall NHS shall be coming on Tuesday 6th December to do a Flu vaccination for years 1-3. Please don't forget to sign and return the consent form for your child to the main office.

Dates for the Calendar

21.11.16 Last day for Christmas lunch orders

23.11.16 2G Class Assembly 10:20

23.11.16 YN Christmas Lunch

25.11.16 School closed for children

27.11.16 6:00 Festival of Light at The Methodist Church, Woodlands choir will be singing

28.11.16 YRE Christmas lunch

29.11.16 YRJ Christmas lunch

30.11.16 Y1P Christmas lunch

1.12.16 Y1H Christmas lunch

2.12.16 Y2 Christmas lunch

2.12.16 Y4 Visit

1.12.16 Puppet production of Christmas Nativity

1.12.16 Choir performing in the evening at Forest Arts.



Impatient driver

The owner of this car, refused to wait for 3 minutes whilst a class of children walked across the car park of Rough Wood and kept edging his car towards Miss Noakes. However, Miss Noakes kept her cool and our children safe. It is a shame some people don't share the values of Woodlands.

The leaf we are focussing on for the next week from our vision is: **Self discipline**

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

Girls are better at following a plan. Do you agree?



Class	Name	Reason
RE	Jasmine Price-Carnegie Dior Mansell	For a lovely story map of the Gingerbread Man and super spelling of CVC words e.g. Cat, Dog, Pig, Fox For an amazing write dance, volcano.
RJ	Armaan Jabran Jake Walters	For making some excellent choices at lab time and making good use of his learning time For a wonderful attitude to his learning all week and answering lots of questions
1P	Poppy Perry Aurora	For persevering to improve her handwriting. Poppy has made a huge improvement and I am thrilled to bits for her. For an impressive character description of the Wolf. Aurora used PAD openers and lots of ambitious vocabulary.
1H	Callum Eynon Olivia Hickson	For being a Maths superstar! Callum is becoming extremely confident with his 2 x tables and got 60/60 on his TT rockstars test! Fantastic Callum. For working really hard in independent write! Olivia used a range of vocabulary in her character description of the Wolf which made it lovely to read! Well Done.
2G	Lennon Davies Holly Macpherson	For writing a super retell of Rama & Sita. Lennon impressed Mrs Garcha by using TAD openers, 2A sentences and conjunctions. Lennon was so eager to carry on with his story that he didn't want to go to lunch! For a fantastic retell of Rama & Sita. Holly used TAD openers, 2A sentences and conjunctions and MAD. Holly showed dedication and even came in during lunch to carry on
2RG	Simran Waraich Levi Wain	For a wonderful home learning poster. It was informative and eye catching. Well done! For a huge improvement in your attitude to learning. You have been trying so hard. Well done!
3P	Luke Meacham Ciara Hitchcock	For determination and perseverance in all subjects but especially handwriting For great work on fractions, in particular, counting in tenths
3CP	At Forest School	At Forest School
4N	Annie-Rose Collins Gabriel Davies	For being a kind and caring peer. She always wants to help other members of the class and has wonderful manners all the time! For an extremely positive approach to writing. He was so excited and wanted to show us his fantastic ideas
4R	Madison Westwood Aimee Sidebotham	For her improved attitude towards her learning and behaviour. Well done Madison, keep it up. For a fabulous retelling of the Iron Giant using 2A, PV, TAD and C. Well done Aimee
5A	Jasniq Basra James Harris	For a wonderful non-chronological report about the Tudors and a real improvement with your handwriting For super progress with comprehension thanks to your hard work on Bug Club!
5T	Michael Wain Holly Reid	For the super effort you put into writing your non-chronological report about the Tudors For the amazing research and report she did at home about the Tudors
6E	Malachi Campbell Miss Evans' English Set	For persevering in the face of challenge when writing his poem about Pompeii. This was by far the best piece of writing you have created to date. Keep up the hard work, it is paying off! For superb poems about Pompeii. You all designed a suitable rhythm and rhyme scheme as well as using expanded noun phrases and imagery effectively. Your handwriting and presentation were also fantastic. I thoroughly enjoyed reading them and could not be any prouder
6P	All of Year 6 Riley Hill Ava Bird	For your fantastic contributions and insightful questions during our Aspirations Day. You showed great maturity when discussing college, university, careers, mortgages and general life goals. For some super explanations of learnt methods during class discussions, particularly involving equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. For a fantastic poem about Pompeii, choosing to write from the perspective of a misunderstood Mount Vesuvius. Wow! You really showed your passion for writing here Ava.