

Woodsetton School NEWSLETTER

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A Message From our Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely spring term it's been! I wanted to take a moment to look back on everything we've enjoyed together over the last few months.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at Parents' Evening. Sharing the children's progress and celebrating their achievements and work with you is always one of the highlights of the term. Thank you for taking the time to come in and for your continued support.

We've also had some brilliant seasonal events. The Mother's Day craft sessions were a real treat—our pupils worked so carefully on their gifts, and it was lovely to see how proud they were of what they made. More recently, our Easter crafts brought plenty of colour, creativity, and excitement into school, along with the Easter Egg Hunt!

A big thank-you as well to our amazing Friend Of Woodsetton group. Your help, enthusiasm, and hard work make such a difference, and we're really grateful for everything you do for our school community.

As always, I'd like to thank our fantastic staff team for their energy, dedication, and care. And to all our families—thank you for your support in everything we do.

I hope you all have an enjoyable break. We look forward to seeing the children back for a busy and exciting summer term.

Warmest wishes,
Mrs S Allen
Head Teacher

Early Years

What a wonderful Spring term we have had in Caterpillar and Mole Class. Our topic, Once Upon a Story, has filled our classrooms with imagination and excitement. We have really enjoyed listening to and learning about traditional tales such as The Gingerbread Man, The Three Billy Goats Gruff and The Little Red Hen. Through role play, puppets and dressing up, we have been developing our speaking and listening skills and confidently retelling our favourite stories.

A favourite part of our term was celebrating Chinese New Year. We explored traditions, tried new foods and took part in a range of themed activities that helped us learn about this special celebration. We were also delighted to welcome Del Chauhan from Dudley Performing Arts. His weekly visits quickly became something we all looked forward to. We loved listening to his guitar playing, experimenting with different instruments and moving to the beat. These sessions brought so many smiles and encouraged wonderful musical exploration.

World Book Day was another highlight. We had a fantastic time dressing up as our favourite characters and taking part in exciting book themed activities. As Easter approached, we enjoyed going on an Easter egg hunt and were thrilled to receive a special visit from the Easter Bunny. It was lovely to welcome our families into school to join us for Easter crafts and spend time creating together. We also celebrated Mother's Day with a special craft session, where our wonderful mothers and family members joined us to make cards and enjoy creative activities.

What a wonderful and busy term it has been!



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What a fabulous Spring term it has been for KS1. The children in Badgers, Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers have all really enjoyed the 'Let's move' topic where we have been exploring a range of engaging stories, including We All Go Travelling By, Journey Home from Grandpa's, and We're Going on a Bear Hunt. The children loved these texts, especially their repetitive and interactive elements, which encouraged everyone to join in with confidence.

Across the curriculum, Badger class have enjoyed a multi-sensory approach to learning, helping them stay motivated and fully involved in each activity. As part of their physical development, Badger Class have been visiting the soft play area at the Crystal Leisure Centre, which has quickly become a weekly highlight. The children have also been developing their life skills through regular visits to the adventure playground and forest school area. Woodpecker class went on our first trip to Sycamore Adventure. They enjoyed exploring the outdoors and made sandcastles in the sandpit! Hedgehogs have a trip to Sycamore booked in for after the Easter holidays.

Every Tuesday, KS1 have welcomed Del Chauhan from Dudley Performing Arts. The children have thoroughly enjoyed listening to his guitar playing, experimenting with different instruments, and moving to the beat. These sessions have brought lots of smiles and wonderful musical exploration to our week.

During World Book Day, the children had a wonderful time dressing up as their favourite characters and taking part in a range of exciting activities.

At Easter, they enjoyed a special visit from the Easter Bunny, who delivered an egg for each child, followed by a selection of fun seasonal crafts. For Mother's Day, we welcomed mums into school for a lovely craft workshop that everyone thoroughly enjoyed.

In Maths, we have held two Number Days, where the children took part in engaging and enjoyable maths activities designed to build confidence and enthusiasm.



Lower Key stage 2

Wow! We cannot believe we have reached the end of the second term! It has been so much fun in Lower Key Stage 2 seeing all the progress the children are making across Owls, Frogs and Ladybird class.

Our topic 'Superheroes rule' has been so enjoyable. The children have explored lots of superhero themed stories including, Ten Little Superheroes, Superworm, Supertato, Superhero Mum, and Superkid. We have been exploring these stories through a range of engaging activities designed to strengthen reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills. We are also continuing to build communication and speech-and-language abilities by working towards individual targets and using a wide variety of communication tools available throughout our learning environments.

In our Maths sessions, the children have continued to work hard on developing their number skills through practical activities, sensory play, songs, and rhymes. We have also explored addition and subtraction, doubling and sharing, as well as measuring length, weight, and capacity through these hands-on approaches. By applying their maths skills across a range of learning opportunities, the children are building valuable lifelong numeracy skills

Our topic work in Lower Key Stage 2 has included learning about the different countries that make up the United Kingdom, different ways of travelling across the UK and how transport has changed over time, and where different landmarks are found across the UK as well. The children have really enjoyed these areas and have shown a keen curiosity to learn about the United Kingdom in more detail.

During this half term we have enjoyed lots of special days, including a Mother's Day parent workshop, NSPCC and World number days, Red Nose Day, Science Week, Children's mental health week, Chinese New Year, World Book Day, and Safer Internet Day. We have also had lots of fun in the lead up to Easter; with an Easter Egg hunt in the forest, and an Easter parent workshop with the parents. Ladybird class have also been very lucky to visit the Soft Play at the new Unicorn centre.

We would like to take this time as well to thank you all for your continued support, and we wish you an enjoyable Easter break.

From all of the teachers and staff in Lower Key Stage 2

Upper Key Stage 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the Spring term, we are incredibly proud of the progress the children in Squirrel, Bee, and Butterfly Classes have made. They have approached their learning with enthusiasm, curiosity, and growing independence, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence develop throughout the term.

Our topic this term has been Turrets and Tiaras, which has captured the children's interest beautifully. We have enjoyed learning about castles, royalty, and life in the past through themed stories and practical activities. We explored what castles were used for and how they have changed over time. We also learned about the roles of kings, queens, and other important historical figures. Texts such as Zog, The King's Hats, and George and the Dragon supported this work and helped develop vocabulary and understanding.

In Science, we learned about different materials and their properties, exploring how materials are chosen for specific uses in everyday life. We also developed their understanding of electricity and electrical safety. The children learned where electricity is found in the world around them, how it helps us in daily routines, and most importantly how to keep themselves safe when using electrical items.

Creativity has flourished in Art as we studied the work of George Seurat and experimented with Pointillism to create our own colourful artwork. In Design and Technology, we built our own 3D castle models, proudly applying fixing and joining skills. Music lessons have been lively and enjoyable, with the children exploring pulse through instruments, movement, and singing. Bee Class have also enjoyed working with Dudley Performing Arts, exploring fast and slow using a range of percussion instruments.

In PE, we took part in handball and dance sessions, building coordination, balance, and control. Support from the Wolves Foundation coaches has further strengthened our teamwork and confidence. Life Skills has been a highlight, with the children learning about kitchen safety, developing simple cooking skills, and taking part in money and enterprise activities. Bee Class have also continued their regular soft play trips, which support both physical development and social interaction.

The term has been filled with enjoyable events and themed days. Children took part in Comic Relief, World Book Day, Mental Health Week, NSPCC Number Day, and World Maths Day. Our Open the Book Easter sessions and parent workshops including Computing, Mother's Day, and Easter crafts created wonderful opportunities for families to join in with learning.

We are especially proud of the children's ongoing efforts to raise money for the Year 6 activity week. Fundraising will continue into the summer term, and we encourage families to keep collecting spare coins in the money pots at home. Every contribution is appreciated and makes a real difference.

We wish all our families a happy and peaceful Easter break and look forward to another exciting term ahead.

Warm regards,

Upper Key Stage 2 Team