

Woodsetton School

NEWSLETTER

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A Message From our Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another successful year, I would like to thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community. Together, we have helped our pupils develop academically, socially and personally, and we are incredibly proud of all they have achieved.

This year has been particularly significant for Woodsetton, with our recognition of our new Inclusive Quality Mark and the additional distinct award of a Centre of Excellence status. These achievements reflect the dedication of our staff, the strength of our inclusive ethos, and our commitment to providing a broad curriculum, enriching opportunities and high-quality support for all pupils.

We have continued to work closely with our Trust colleagues, the Local Authority and external agencies, contributing to SEND developments both locally and beyond, to strengthen our provision, ensuring learning remains ambitious, inclusive and meaningful to our pupils' needs. Most importantly, our pupils have once again impressed us with their resilience, enthusiasm and determination. Their achievements, both in and beyond the classroom, have made this a year to celebrate.

Thank you to our staff, governors and families for your ongoing support. I wish you all a happy, safe and restful summer break, and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Warmest wishes,
Mrs S Allen
Head Teacher

Early Years

It has been a fantastic Summer Term in Early Years. Our topic this term has been 'All Creatures Great and Small', and we have loved exploring different animals and learning more about the world around us through a range of exciting activities and stories.

Throughout the term, the children have become increasingly confident in communicating with others, sharing, taking turns and working alongside their classmates. We have continued to use Makaton and Aided Language Displays to support communication, helping everyone to express themselves and develop positive relationships within the classroom. Our learning has continued to flourish across the curriculum. In English, we have enjoyed developing our early reading, phonics and mark-making skills through engaging, hands-on activities. In Maths, we have explored counting, patterns, shapes and simple measures, using practical experiences to build our confidence and understanding.

We have enjoyed many opportunities to develop our gross motor skills through visits to Sycamore Adventure and Crystal Leisure Centre, where we have also built confidence and formed strong friendships with our peers. Back in the classroom, we have continued to strengthen our fine motor skills, helping us to become more confident with mark making and early writing.

This term has been full of exciting events and experiences. We celebrated Spanish MFL Day, where we explored a new language and learned about another culture. We had lots of fun taking part in weekly sessions with Dudley Performing Arts, where we danced, sang and played musical instruments with growing confidence. On Dance Day, we used a range of sensory materials to inspire our movements and express ourselves creatively. During Healthy Eating Week, we made our own delicious pizzas and learned about making healthy food choices. We also enjoyed Fire Safety Day with Fireman Nick, where we looked closely at his special equipment and uniform and learned how firefighters help to keep us safe. It was wonderful to spend time with our families at the NHS Big Tea Picnic, and we were proud to take part in our Sponsored Walk to help raise money for Guide Dogs. What a wonderful year it has been! We are so proud of everything the children have achieved and how much they have grown in confidence.

Have a magical summer! We look forward to seeing you all again in September.
From all of the teachers and staff in Early Years.



KS1

We have had a wonderful and busy Summer Term in Key Stage 1! We would like to thank all our parents and carers for attending sessions in class such as Mother's Day, Father's Day workshops and NHS Big Tea! Our children really enjoy spending time with their parents and carers in class.

Our children have really enjoyed participating in special days and events such as sponsored walk, Elmer/ Rainbow Day and Maths Number Day! Our children enjoyed dressing up for these special events.

In addition, we have also had the Image Theatre Performance group visit our school where they performed Dr Doolittle! Our children loved watching this animative group perform! We also had Fireman Nick come and visit us in classes where he showed us health and safety equipment that firefighters use every day. In addition, our KS1 cohort loved participating in International Dance Day with Emma (from Love of Dance), where we used instruments like tambourines and had lots of fun dancing to music with rainbow scarves and bubbles!

This Summer Term, our children also participated in regular trips to Crystal Leisure Centre for our soft play sessions and Sycamore Adventure as our children enjoyed developing their PSED and Physical Development skills whilst accessing outdoor environments.

Our children have really enjoyed their weekly music sessions with Del and have engaged with different instruments and sensory elements.

We hope you all have a wonderful break over the Summer Holidays and can't wait to see you all in the next academic year in September!



Lower Key stage 2

As we come to the end of another wonderful summer term, we would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the many exciting learning experiences and special events that our children have enjoyed. It has been a busy and memorable term filled with learning, creativity, fun and community spirit.

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming Story Rangers, who shared a pirate-themed storytelling adventure that linked brilliantly with our class topic. The children were captivated by the story and enthusiastically joined in with the activities. Our Inspire to Dance workshop brought lots of smiles as the children danced along to well-loved Disney songs whilst taking part in engaging sensory experiences. It was a fantastic opportunity for self-expression and movement. A particular highlight was attending the Jungle Book theatre performance. The children were enthralled by the characters, music and storytelling and demonstrated excellent listening skills throughout.

During Healthy Eating Week, the children explored the importance of making healthy choices through a range of practical activities and discussions. Our Fire Safety Day with Fireman Nick was exciting. The children enjoyed dressing up in Nick's uniform, we also enjoyed exploring the fire engine. We were delighted to take part in the NHS Big Tea Picnic, sharing books and snacks with parents and carers. It was wonderful to see families joining us to celebrate reading and spending time together whilst raising money for Birmingham Children's Hospital. The children also participated in a Sponsored Walk, helping to raise money for the school.

We would like to thank everyone for their generous support, which will help provide valuable educational visits and experiences throughout the year. Our colourful Elmer and Rainbow Day encouraged the children to celebrate individuality, diversity and friendship. As part of our Art Project, the children of Owl and Frog Class explored the work of artist Paul Klee, whilst Ladybird Class explored the artwork of Alma Thomas, creating their own inspired artwork and contributing to our sales event. We were incredibly proud of their creativity and enthusiasm.

Thank you to all the families who joined us for our Father's Day workshops. The children were excited to share special activities with their loved ones, creating treasured memories together. During Gardening Week, the children learned about planting, growing and caring for the environment. They particularly enjoyed getting hands-on outdoors and observing changes in nature. We also celebrated Maths Number Day, taking part in fun mathematical challenges and activities that helped develop confidence with numbers and problem-solving skills, whilst dressing up as someone who uses numbers daily or as a number. Throughout the term, we enjoyed visits from Paul Willmott, who led assemblies and shared stories about Jesus, he also brought in some of his puppets and demonstrated his magic skills, which the children have enjoyed. These sessions encouraged reflection, kindness and understanding of important values.

We are incredibly proud of all the children in Ladybird, Frog and Owl Classes. They have shown curiosity, resilience, kindness and enthusiasm in all they have done this term. Thank you for your continued support, encouragement and partnership throughout the year. We hope you all have a wonderful, restful and safe summer break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting year of learning.



Upper Key Stage 2

As we reach the end of another school year, we would like to take the opportunity to celebrate the fantastic achievements of the children in Squirrel, Bee and Butterfly Classes. We are incredibly proud of the progress they have made, the enthusiasm they have shown towards their learning, and the positive attitudes they have demonstrated throughout the term.

Our topic this term has been Out at Sea, which has inspired learning across many areas of the curriculum. Through a range of engaging stories and information texts, the children have explored life by the sea while developing their vocabulary, imagination and communication skills. They especially enjoyed learning about the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons, discovering how people lived in the past and finding out more about Viking homes, boats and daily life.

In Science, we explored the fascinating world of water. From rivers and oceans to the water cycle, the children developed their understanding through practical investigations and hands-on learning. They enjoyed asking questions, making observations and finding out more about the natural world around them.

Creativity has flourished throughout the term. In Art, the children experimented with watercolour techniques and created a range of sea-themed artwork inspired by our topic. They also enjoyed designing and making models using different materials. Music lessons focused on pitch, rhythm and repetition, giving children opportunities to explore sounds through singing, movement and instruments.

Our Jigsaw themes of Relationships and Changing Me encouraged thoughtful discussion and reflection. Children considered how to build positive relationships, manage change and look after their emotional wellbeing. In RE, we learned about Sikhism and Judaism, exploring beliefs, traditions and values while developing understanding and respect for others.

The children have continued to enjoy a wide range of physical activities. Athletics, rounders and swimming sessions helped to develop coordination, teamwork and confidence, while support from Wolves Foundation coaches provided additional opportunities to learn new skills and stay active. Life Skills learning has taken us outdoors this term. During forest sessions, the children explored the school grounds, searched for plants and minibeasts, built dens and created artwork using natural materials. Later in the term, they enjoyed gardening activities, learning how to plant, care for and nurture their own seeds and herbs while developing responsibility and independence. The Summer Term has also been filled with many memorable experiences. The children enjoyed celebrating different cultures during MFL Day, expressing themselves creatively on Dance Day and watching a fantastic performance of Dr Dolittle. They learned valuable lessons during Healthy Eating Week and Fire Safety Day, while events such as the NHS Big Tea Picnic, Sponsored Walk, ECO Sale and family workshops helped bring our school community together. A particular highlight for Butterfly Class was their visit to Molineux and the Wolves Foundation Arena, where they represented the school brilliantly during team-building activities and a tournament.

Our Year 6 pupils also enjoyed a special Activity Week as they celebrated the end of their time at Woodsetton. Highlights included meeting Animal Man, visiting the cinema, bowling, taking part in sporting activities with Wolves coaches, enjoying arts and crafts sessions, and sharing a celebratory brunch together. It was a wonderful way to recognise their achievements and create lasting memories with friends.

We would like to thank all families for your continued support throughout the year. We wish everyone a safe, happy and relaxing summer holiday. To those pupils who are leaving us for their new schools, we wish you every success and happiness for the future. We know they will continue to make us proud as they begin their next adventure.

