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Wood End Club

57 Tamworth Road,
Wood End.

Saturday 5th November—Bonfire & Firework display, BBQ

Saturday 12th November—Local band "The Pinch"

Friday 9th December—Children's Christmas party

Xmas Eve—Karaoke

Bonfire Night—Ska 2 Nite

News Year Eve—Family Disco & Karaoke

Auditor Required

Team Birchwood Primary School require an auditor for their 2015/16 accounts. If you are qualified and are able to help in this important position please leave your details with school office who will forward them to TBPS.



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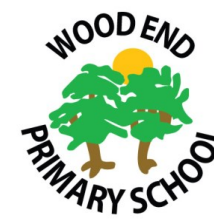
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WEPS weekly

4th November 2016

Reminders: We have spaces at our before and after school club. To book contact the school office on 01827 872237.

Week commencing : 7th November 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3pm-Dodge ball club	3pm-Multi skills club	8am-Choir club 3pm-Homework/ICT club	3pm-Football club 3pm-Bookworm club	2.35pm-Celebration Assembly

Letters sent home this week: North Warwickshire Primary Schools Infant Agility, North Warwickshire Primary Schools Dodgeball Competition, Swimming Lesson payment reminder.

Dear Parents,

I would like to warmly welcome you back to the start of our second half term. There is much to celebrate even after seven weeks of school. Children are looking incredibly smart in their appearance with such pride in their uniforms showing that they identify strongly with Wood End primary School and how important it is to be part of this wonderful school community.

I would like to thank parents for your continued support of the school and for the difference it makes to the lives of our children. As a school we are continuing to focus on the aspirations and high expectations of all children and we hope you will begin to see the fruits of the children's work in this area in the forthcoming parents' evenings.

It has sadly come to my attention during the last term that there are a number of parents that are not parking safely within the designated areas during morning drop off and afternoon collection of the children. At Wood End, we pride ourselves on our excellent safeguarding procedures, however there are a small number of parents who are parking carelessly across our main gates and turning circle and are liable to cause harm to a child if it continues.

Therefore I have taken the urgent measure of putting 'No parking signs' by our main gates and also the left hand bend within the turning circle during busy periods. I do hope this is enough to deter parents from parking thoughtlessly. There have been a number of fatal accidents of children reported in the news recently as a result of careless drivers and in such a supportive community, I would dearly hope a similar incident would not happen.

I wish you all a lovely weekend and a reminder to all children to take care and follow the tips and suggestions that we have given this week if they are attending any Fireworks displays or you are holding your own events at home.

Mrs Carolyn Hadley-Head of School



Oak class was ransacked by a mystery person overnight. The children collected evidence and found out it was Burglar Bill.

Stars of the week



Well done to all our stars this week!

Beech— Lois Burdett— For learning letter sounds well by using robot arms to sound out words and beginning to write words.

Cedar— Oscar Rowe—For trying hard in maths & phonics.

Oak— Jack Smith-For having shown fantastic maths skills this week.

Pine — Charlie Owen Sanders-For showing increased independence in her spelling skills.

Willow — Sean Warburton-For a super attitude towards his learning.

Road Safety
Teaching our children the importance of keeping our children safe

With clocks changing and darker nights, it is important to once again return to the issue of young children and roads. It is with sickening regularity that we hear of another child being injured by a car or having a close shave on the way to or from school.

We do however need 100% support from all parents and visitors to our schools. Despite our repeated requests in weekly newsletter, on a daily basis we see parking and driving which places our children in danger. We ask parents NOT to park on double yellow lines or on yellow zig zags outside the school, even if this is for a ‘second’ to drop off. We also ask parents not to park on pavements, which forces children to squeeze through narrow gaps, or worse still, walk into the road to get by. Unfortunately, on a regular basis, we also receive complaints from neighbours complaining about parents parking over their driveways, blaming the school and demanding we take action. The school however has absolutely no jurisdiction over the public roads and can do very little.

Our schools do their very best to ensure children remain safe. We encourage children to wear bright and reflective coats in winter, stop them running out of school, and tell them repeatedly not to cross between parked cars. We hold road safety quizzes, invite in road safety officers and in addition we run regular items in newsletters and conduct safety lessons and assemblies outlining how to keep safe.

As the nights draw in and colder and wetter weather approaches, there is an even greater tendency to get out the car and inadvertently add to the problem. Our only interest is in keeping children safe, PLEASE help us to do so by driving and parking responsibly. If driving is your only option, parking safely away from school and walking an extra 60 seconds, is worth it if it avoids a child being seriously injured. Please do your bit.

Mr May
Director of Education

Myths and Legends
A selection of comments and misconceptions we sometimes hear
Myths and Legends


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Weekly Safety Message ... Each week we give the children a quick ‘outside of school’ safety reminder in assembly on Friday. We would be grateful if parents could help us at home by giving the same message. This week:

‘How do you make sure you keep SUPER SAFE if you are taking part in ‘Halloween trick or treat’ ?

(We reminded children that whilst Halloween can be great fun for some people, not everyone participates. We should respect this and leave people alone whose homes are not showing any indications of wishing to take part. We also let children that they should not be knocking on strangers doors or going into house of people they don’t know)

 Attendance

Our attendance this week is 96.3%

Keep it up everyone!

Our school attendance target is 97.5%

Let’s see if we can reach our target next week!

 Housepoints

Our housepoint winners this week with 277 housepoints are Kingsbury

- Well done!!!

Academic Year 2016-2017

Autumn Term 2016

School Class Photo's	Tuesday 15th November
Early Finish 1pm	Friday 16th December

Spring Term 2017

Staff Development Day	Tuesday 3rd January
Children Return to school	Wednesday 4th January
Half Term (1 week)	Monday 20th February
Easter Holiday Begins	Monday 10th April
Staff Development Day	Monday 24th April
Children Return to School	Tuesday 25th April
Half Term (1 Week)	Monday 29th May
Early Finish 1pm	Friday 21st July

These dates may be subject to change if necessary.

New and amended dates shown in bold.

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Very, very few of our children are ever late. The majority have no ‘lates’ at all , thanks to our brilliant parents who make sure they get their children into school on time each and every day. This results in children starting the day well settled, calm and ready for their exciting day ahead.

A small handful of children are however persistently late in school. This upsets the children and gives them a dreadful start to the day. Being present at the very start of the day is really important. Children like to say hello to their friends and socialise. We also take our formal register and talk about lunches and we also introduce the work for the day. Arriving late causes a lot of problems for the children and school

Scooters and Bicycles

Bicycles and scooters must not be ridden on the playgrounds or paths before or after school because of potential injury to our parents, children and younger toddlers.

The majority of our trips and visits in school, the elements of the uniform we provide, clubs and activities and swimming lessons are significantly subsidised by the school or are completely free. We work hard to keep costs as low as possible for EVERYONE, however, children in receipt of free school meals are usually offered trips and visits free of charge using funds we receive from the Government dedicated to supporting them.

PLEASE claim ‘Free Schools Meals’ if you can, claiming and not even having the meal benefits the school. The school is always very pleased to advise and help in confidence. Claiming free school meals not only benefits families and the child, but ALL of the children in school as well

Parent Pay

Polite reminder - Letters have been issued showing outstanding balances. Please log-on to Parent Pay and clear the balance as soon as possible.

If you have any problems with logging-on or clearing your balance please contact the Office.

School Uniforms

are not ‘optional’ at our school. It is expected that ALL children wear the uniform that is described in our school prospectus. We do not allow variations such as ‘same colour sweatshirt’ but no logo, or adaptations to any aspect. We reserve the right to ask parents to collect children who attend in incorrect uniform.

Reporting absences

PLEASE report absences from school by 8.30am on the day of absence by telephoning the school and leaving a message on the answer phone. If we do not hear from you we need to PROTECT CHILDREN by calling parents to make sure that a child has not left home and then not appeared in school. Not adhering to this policy wastes valuable office time phoning up parents to find out why a child is