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REMINDER: Please inform school EVERYDAY of your child's absence Next week						
	Acti-Fit BreakFAST Club NO Multi Skills			Reports Sent Home Children In Need		

#### Return to school

As the country prepares to enter a 4 week lockdown, our schools have returned to business as usual. We are open during lockdown as it is recognised that the education provided and social benefits for children are important. The risk assessments that were written for the full return in September remain relevant and in place. The comprehensive planning that was completed and the detailed structures and systems still meet all of the recommendations outlined by the government in their most recent guidance for schools. Ventilation has been part of our plan since September. Our classrooms have windows open for ventilation. This helps maintain an airflow and reduce the risk of infection spreading. We will open top windows to prevent draughts and only open windows enough to ensure adequate circulation. Windows will be opened more fully to clear the air when rooms stand empty. We will of course monitor the situation, and should classrooms become too cold then we will reassess. Ventilation has been added to the system of controls stipulated by the government as a 'MUST be in place at all times' measure.

Face coverings remain optional for staff when in communal areas such as corridors and staffroom. We have increased the expectation of any visitors that they must wear a face covering on site at all times. Therefore children will be seeing more adults in school wearing a face covering. This is a normal sight for children in the current climate, and based on my experiences this week they are more likely to comment on which face covering you have opted to wear rather than the fact you are wearing one in the first place - I need to up my face covering game apparently!

We are glad that our schools are remaining open - seeing the positive impact normality, familiarity and structure has on the children highlights the rationale behind this. We do however still recognise the fact we are in a global pandemic and the situation ahead isn't easy. Aspects of school life will be affected by national lockdown restrictions, and local restrictions once this has lifted, for the foreseeable future. The health and safety of our school community remains the priority for us at all times.

Thank you again for your support as we enter another different phase of this situation. We appreciate the kind words of support we have received this week as we face further change. It is important to remember that everyone is in the storm together but we don't all have the same boats. We are all trying to find the best way through this as it affects us in different ways. Please be kind to those around you and support one another as much as you can. Together we are stronger. **Mrs M Cross Executive Head** 

#### Spot Light on Excellence..... <u>A Monster Competition!</u>



Just before half term, Liz Bromage from Ocado contacted me to ask if Wood End Primary school would be interested in taking part in a monster competition. The challenge was to design a monster, give it a name and explain what made it so scary. The children did not disappoint - Liz was incredibly impressed with our entries. This week she chose one monster from each class to receive a special edition packet of Halloween sweets and a Monsters Inc stationary set.

The winners or the Monster Competition are: Ladybird - Chase Butterfly - Camilo Hedgehog - Ellie-May Dragonfly - Taylor Fox - Lily R Badger - William Otter - Euan

However, Liz Bromage was so impressed with our wonderful entries that Ocado have decided to give every child a packet of Percy Pig sweets. Well done everyone! We are keeping the



sweets in isolation so they will be safe to go home on Monday. If you would prefer that we do not give your child a packet of sweets, please contact the school office or leave a message on Monday morning.

Mrs J Smith Associate Headteacher

> Last Week's Postcards Home Ladybird = Chase Butterfly = Cosima Hedgehog = Ella S Dragonfly = Grace Fox = Ianis Badger = Warren Otter = Millie

#### Who's who?

#### Mrs S Deakin

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Hello! My name is Mrs Deakin and I joined Wood End in September in Otters Class, Year 6. I grew up in



Worcestershire before going to University at Sheffield Hallam. I then moved to Hampshire where I have been living for the last 5 years. This is my eighth year of teaching (seven of those being in upper Key Stage 2). I really enjoy teaching KS2 as two days are never the same, you build great relationships with the pupils and the topics they learn are really interesting. In my spare time, I like cooking and baking. This came in very handy during the first lockdown! I also enjoy going to the theatre so I am really looking forward to being able to go again when they are open.

## Attendance W/E 23/10/2020

	Last Week	Year		
Ladybirds	92.50%	94.42%		
Butterflies	96.40%	93.71%		
Hedgehogs	98.40%	95.15%		
Dragonflies	97.67%	94.58%		
Foxes	94.95%	97.32%		
Badgers	96.75%	95.33%		
Otters	94.56%	90.54%		

WELL DONE HEDGEHOG CLASS!

## Academic Year 2020-2021

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13/11/20 11/12/20 16/12/20 18/12/20 21/12/20-01/01/21 Children In Need Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day Last day of Term **1:05pm finish** Half Term

Inset Day school closed to pupils

Provisional Yr 6 Height & Weight

Spring Term begins

Last Day of Term

Half Term

04/01/21 05/01/21 22/01/21 12/02/21 15/02/21 - 19/02/21

22/02/21 01/04/21 02/04/21-16/04/21

19/04/21 03/05/21 28/05/21 31/05/21 - 04/06/21

07/06/21 18/06/21 21/07/21 Inset Day school closed to pupils Last Day of Term Half Term

> Summer Term begins May Bank Holiday Last Day of Term Half Term

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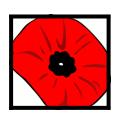
<u>Please note Diary Dates may be subject to change.</u> <u>New dates are in italics</u>

## Poppy Appeal

To support the poppy appeal, place your money in a envelope that is clearly named and state what product (Including colour) your child would like.

### House competition 'Make a poppy'

Check out the new project on e-schools and earn a token for your house team.





<u>Forms</u>			
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# Spotlight on

## Hedgehog Class

## Remember, remember the 5th of November

This week Hedgehog Class have been learning about why we celebrate Bonfire Night and how to keep safe around fireworks. The children are very eager to share their learning: "Guy Fawkes put gunpowder under the King's chair" Sam "Guy Fawkes was going inside to blow up the Houses of Parliament when he got caught." Abel "He was put in jail." Maddison "Then Guy Fawkes was executed." Finley "The King killed Guy Fawkes because he tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament." Jayden "We celebrate that Guy Fawkes didn't get to blow up the King." Hope "The King celebrated with fireworks." Emily The children would like to share these safety messages: "Don't go near a firework when it has been lit." Layla-Mai "Keep your pets safe inside your home." Ella "Don't go too close to the fire." Harry "Make sure you keep gloves on when you hold sparklers." Emily "Put your used sparkler in water or sand." Jacob If you have any questions about Guy Fawkes or firework safety just ask one of the children in Hedgehog Class.