

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

Week commencing 6th June 2016

| Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday                             |
|---|---|---|--|------------------------------------|
| <p>1pm Forest Schools visit Oak</p> <p>3pm-4pm-Cricket club</p> | <p>Class photos</p> <p>3pm-4pm-KS1 Multi Skills</p> <p>3pm-4pm-Cross Country club</p> | <p>8am-8.40am-Choir club</p> <p>12pm-Homework club</p> <p>3pm-4.15pm-Homework club-<br/>Mrs Joynson</p> <p>3pm-4pm-Athletics club</p> | <p>12pm-Newspaper club</p> <p>3pm-4pm-Football club</p> <p>3pm-4pm-Gymnastics club</p> <p>3.30pm-Bookworm club</p> | <p>2.35pm-Celebration Assembly</p> |

## Letters sent home this week: Forest Schools and Wood End Church visit

## Dear Parents



**Going the extra mile to support our children with Reading Skills in conjunction with Ocado.**

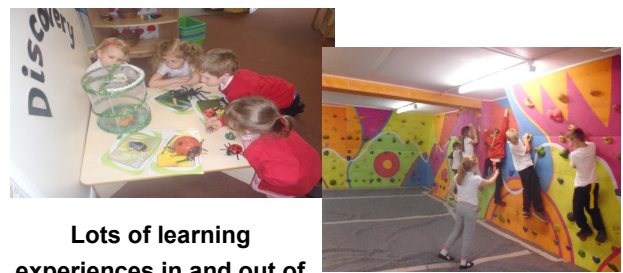
**Last year 100% of our children in Year 1 met the expected standard for the Phonics Screening Check and our Year 2 and 6 Reading SATs results were of an extremely high standard.**

**I am amazed by the continuing talent that our children show across all classes from Nursery to year 6 in all aspects of their Reading. Their decoding skills, their use of synthetic phonics leading to their comprehension and understanding and most difficult of all, their inferential skills-being able to read between the lines and find the deeper meaning within a text; these are all skills that are taught on a consistent basis to our children.**

An amazing prospect for us is our growing link with Ocado. In a recent meeting with Liam O' Mahony, Senior Operations Manager, Simon Morrison, Services Manager and Natasha Grogan, Support Assistant, we have agreed that several employees from Ocado on a regular basis will support children's individual reading sessions at Wood End.

**We are very fortunate to be further developing a relationship with this well regarded, local business.**

To kick start our link, I am asking you to support our children in a House Competition organised by our School Council and judged by Ocado. Please take a photo of your child, **EXTREME READING**. Examples of this could be reading on top of a mountain, under a waterfall, reading upside down!! These photos will be due in on Monday, 6th June and the House that provides the best Extreme Reading photos will be awarded a prize as will the best overall winner.



**Lots of learning experiences in and out of school.**

**Happy EXTREME READING everyone and I look forward to photos from staff and children when we return!**

**I wish you all a very happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all when we come back on Monday 6th June.**



**Mrs Carolyn Hadley-Head of School**

## Stars of the week

**Well done to all our stars this week!**

★ Beech — Sophie Rayner-For really improving her  
★ reading and becoming more confident.

★ Cedar — Jack Smith-For working hard this week  
★ to become a more independent learner.

★ Oak — Charlie Suffolk-For contributing to whole  
★ class and partner learning.

★ Pine — Ruby Collins-For giving excellent peer  
★ support on our trip.

★ Willow — Sean Warburton-For an excellent effort  
★ with his writing.

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## **Bullying**

### *Excellent behaviour in our schools*

Our schools have been recognised for the children's 'Outstanding behaviour' (OFSTED) and a time when the behaviour of pupils in schools nationally has become a real concern we aim to keep it this way.

Bullying is thankfully extremely rare in our schools, but in almost every organisation (including those most adults work in) it is present in some shape or form. Any school or any organisation which says '*we have no bullying*' probably has a poor understanding of what it is or sweeping it under the carpet. Our role is to ensure that we give children an understanding of what it is, the power and support to tackle it and create a climate where it is totally unacceptable and if it occurs it is extremely rare and stamped out immediately.

Children and adults often get the definition of 'bullying' wrong and use what is a very strong 'description' wrongly. Whilst adults say 'my child is being bullied', in reality what is happening is usually children bickering or arguing with each other and the wrong term is being used. Bullying is not usually a 'single isolated incident', but is something that is more likely to be targeted, planned and repeated. Our schools operate in an extremely ordered and friendly environment, with a really strong system for stopping things occurring before they grow. We use 'Stop it Please!' as a first line of defence to let someone know we don't like an action, and then a procedure to report to staff and parents, with support for the person experiencing unpleasant behaviour.

Thankfully, over the past five years our 'bullying logs' show less than a handful of incidents, which is an extraordinary result that we are very proud of. However, we are never complacent and will continue to work hard to ensure that our children treat each other with the highest levels of respect.

Mr May - Director of Education

## **ParentPay**

We are pleased to announce that ParentPay will be up and running after half term:

**Logins will be sent out to all parents week commencing Monday 6th June.**

**ParentPay will be active week commencing Monday 20th June for payment of dinner money and school trips.**

### **IMPORTANT: Changes to assessment**

#### **– a 'ramping up' of expectations**

This year there have been many changes to the expectations of our children. The national 'goal posts' have been changed and the 'average child' will now be expected to attain at a far higher 'level' than they used to and meet some very tough challenges.

Whilst we are confident that our children can meet the 'new challenges' well, the bar has been set very high indeed. Parents should be aware that children who previously were graded as 'exceeding national expectations' may now fit closer into what is described as 'meeting national averages'. Be reassured, the children are not 'doing worse', are not failing, and teaching is still fantastic. We are simply being asked to measure them against a far more challenging standard.

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 recognise if someone is having a stroke?'**



### **Attendance**

Our attendance this term so far is 96.3%

**Let's see if we can reach our target!**

Our school attendance target is  
**97.5%**

### **Housepoints**

Our housepoint winners this week with  
210 housepoints are Daw Mill - Well done!!!



Our new charity for this year is Polesworth Group Homes, supporting adults with learning disabilities. We have raised £248.48 from donations at the Christmas performance and our Christmas Jumper Day. Thank you for your support.

## Academic Year 2015-2016

### Summer Term 2016

|  |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Half Term (1 week)                       | Monday 30th May               |
| <b>Year 2/3 Forest Schools visit</b>     | <b>Monday 6th June</b>        |
| <b>Class Photos</b>                      | <b>Tuesday 7th June</b>       |
| EYFS Induction Meeting                   | Thursday 9th June             |
| Year 6 Residential-Manor Adventure       | Friday 10th June              |
| <b>Year 1 Phonics Screening Check</b>    | <b>wk bg Monday 13th June</b> |
| <b>Year R Wood End Church visit.....</b> | <b>Monday 13 June</b>         |
| <b>Year R/1 and 2 Twycross Zoo</b>       | <b>Wednesday 29th June</b>    |
| Grandparents Lunch                       | Friday 1st July               |
| KS1 and 2 Sports Day                     | Monday 11th July              |
| Nursery and Reception Sports Day         | Tuesday 12th July             |
| Reserve KS1, 2 Sports Day                | Wednesday 13th July           |
| Showcase Evening                         | Wednesday 13th July           |
| Reserve Nursery/Reception Sports Day     | Thursday 14th July            |
| Staff Development Day                    | Friday 15th July              |
| Leavers Assembly                         | Wednesday 20th July           |
| Leavers Evening                          | Thursday 21st July            |
| Last Day of Term                         | Friday 22nd July              |
| Early Finish 1pm                         | Friday 22nd July              |

## Academic Year 2016-2017

### Autumn Term 2016

|                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Staff Development Day     | Monday 5th September  |
| Children Return to School | Tuesday 6th September |
| Staff Development Day     | Friday 21st October   |
| Half Term (1 week)        | Monday 24th October   |
| 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.**

Our school vision is to...

**'Inspire children to become confident, secure, caring individuals who achieve personal success and develop a love of learning through *'rich opportunities and memorable experiences'***

We teach children through a series of 'themes'. These are usually over a half term period and start with an exciting 'provocation starter' and end in something to 'take home' or 'perform'. Our children are therefore excited by the challenges and problems we give them and understand the journey learning takes. 'Theme starters' this term have included an 'Alien Landing' (as well as associated 'space junk!') as well as a Police Investigation (with real Police Officers) and a mysterious tent and sleeping bag. Children love our themes and we know they improve progress because children write, read and use their taught maths to solve 'real' problems.

## **FOWES Events**



**Lots of events are about to take place led by our wonderful and ever growing FOWES.**

**Friday 17th June-Non uniform day**

**Saturday 25th June-Summer Fayre**

**If you would like to support in any small way, please contact Joe and Sue through the School Office.**



### KS1 and 2 Movie Nights

**Our Movie Nights were an immense success. Thanks to all the parents who supported this event and a huge thank you to FOWES for organising such great nights!**

**KS1 Movie Night made a profit of £131.09**

**KS2 Movie Night made a profit of £155.03**

## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**



**'When you have a great and difficult task, something perhaps almost impossible, if you only work a little at a time, every day a little, suddenly the work will finish itself.' Isak Dinesen.**



## Community Advertising



### Volunteers

We are currently recruiting for additional volunteers across school.

Please contact the school office if you are interested in supporting our children in any aspect of their education.

**Summer's Playhouse**  
01827 874458 / 07581 228213  
Sherwood Close | Wood End

**Jade Bailey**  
Ofsted Registered Childminder  
summersplayhouse@hotmail.com

[www.facebook.com/summersplayhouse](http://www.facebook.com/summersplayhouse)

### Community Advertising

Do you run your own business or community organisation or know someone who does, who would benefit from being advertised in our school newsletter? Please contact the school office for prices on



01827 872237

### Wood End Club



57 Tamworth Road, Wood End. Atherstone

Function room available for events

TABLE TOP SALE

To purchase a table contact Susie;

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