

## Power of Reading

This week saw the introduction of a new approach to the teaching of English across our schools. As part of a Warwickshire project, we now have access to a resource known as 'The Power of Reading'. The aim of this scheme is to provide a holistic approach to the teaching of all facets of English; reading, guided reading, writing, grammar and spelling. This change has meant staff have to alter the way they plan and deliver lessons but there is a real buzz of excitement both in the staffrooms and also in the classrooms.

Children are eager to tell me about their class text.

How will this look to parents?

There will be a change in the way we record English work from this point on. All English work linked to the Power of Reading text will be presented in English skills books rather than in theme journals. It has been a hard decision to move away from journals as they have played such a fundamental part in life at our schools in recent years. However, what will be apparent is a clear journey through the text of language rich opportunities and a depth of understanding of structure of what is written. We see it as a positive move towards securing a love of reading.

In class, staff have been working hard to ensure there are displays that reflect their Power of Reading texts. Our Eschools pages will tell you which texts have been selected for this half term. Staff are also celebrating reading by sharing with the children which books we are reading, We are aiming to promote the idea of reading for pleasure - not just because you have to!

When you come into school for Parents Evening in the coming weeks, take time to look at the work completed in English books so far but also spot who is reading what around school. You never know you may see a book title you would like to read too!

We look forward to sharing updates with you over the coming terms and posting examples of fabulous work from The Power of Reading on our website and Twitter feed.

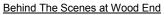
Moira Cross **Executive Headteacher** 



Seschools Don't forget to log into eSchools to see what is happening on your children's class pages. The eSchools 'App' is available for you to download from the Apple or Google Play stores. The App

will allow you to receive text notifications directly from the school to your mobile device. Login is also available via the School website

Spot Light on Excellence...





Our team is made up of variety of people. Not only do we have teachers and teaching assistants who shape and nurture our children on a daily basis, but we also work alongside an array of staff who always strive to improve Wood End

- Governors visit school on a regular basis and support us in enhancing Wood End's performance.

- Office staff are vital at school and Mrs Woodcock & Mrs Hinds in particular, support the day to day running of the office (and always have a smile on their faces in doing so) - Cleaning staff are responsible for maintaining high standards of cleanliness throughout the school -Midday supervisors are valued members of the school community and play an important role in ensuring children feel safe, secure and happy during their lunch break - Kitchen staff cater for our children's needs on a daily basis, ensuring the food provided is both nutritious and enjoyable - Parent helpers come in to offer their services in a variety of ways, through hearing children read or joining us on school trips

I feel proud to work with such dedicated people, who work tirelessly to make Wood End the best it can be for our young people. I want to say Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Smith Associate Headteacher

## Dates for your Diary

## Spring Term

21/03/18: Grandparents Lunch

21/03/18: Easter Celebration Dinner

22/03/18: End of Term Disco - Date to be confirmed

Spring Term ends Thursday 29th March

Easter Holidays - Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April

Summer Term

May Bank Holiday - Monday 7th May

Half Term - Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June

08/06/18 - 11/06/18: Manor Adventure Trip - Badgers

22/06/18: Staff Training Day

Summer Term ends Friday 20th July

These dates may be subject to change if necessary. Details and times to be



This half term, Butterfly and Ladybird children and staff will be working towards a 'Spread the Happiness Award'. Research shows happy staff produce happy children and happy children thrive academically!

We will be completing a different 'happy' challenge each day - please ask the children about them! We'll be sharing some of these challenges over the next few weeks in the newsletters!

> Last Week's Postcards Home Ladybirds = Jayden Maddison Butterflies = Lily Daniels Dragonflies = Ava Peyton Foxes = Kathleen Wylie Badgers = Elliot Rowe

If your child receives a postcard please bring it back to school so it can be shared in our celebration assembly on Friday afternoon! This postcard is your invite to our celebration assembly on Friday at 2.40pm in the hall.

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Wood End Club Forthcoming Events.....

Quiz Nite ~	Every 3rd Thursday of the month
Fri 9th Mar ~	SKA Nite in the bar
Sun 1st Apr~	Easter Bonnet Parade—prize for best bonnet Disco & Games 12noon start All Welcome!
Sat 7th Apr~	Jersey Boys & Simon Garcia—singer/saxophone Tickets available behind the bar
Sat 14th Apr~	Bob & Wendy's Karaoke in the Bar!
Sat 19th May~	Simon Garcia—singer/saxophone
Sun 27th May~	Bank Holiday Fun Day BBQ / Bouncy Castle All Welcome!



Here are a few pics of the children showing our snowy start

to March



Attendance W/C 22/01/18			
	Last Week	Year	
Ladybirds	94.23%	94.06%	
Butterflies	91.74%	91.28%	
Hedgehog	96.90%	93.98%	
Dragonflies	92.41%	94.68%	
Foxes	96.00%	92.46%	
Badgers	95.24%	95.80%	
Please ensure you make contact with the school each day that your child is unable to attend			