

# Woodlands News



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We are nearly at the end of our first term and what a term it has been! I have been and remain incredibly proud of our entire school community for how well we have managed to continue to learn new skills and develop new knowledge through exciting curriculum opportunities, whilst managing to keep everyone safe at school. I would like to once again, thank each and every one of you, for helping to make this term a successful one.

School has been busy! Despite the restrictions, we have had numerous events such as Black History week, School Online Pantomime, Children in Need events and lots of outdoor learning. Alongside all of the exciting opportunities our pupils have been offered, lessons have been running more or less as normal and I am very pleased with the hard work and dedication shown by the vast majority of our children. I have heard so many success stories and I know many of our parents/carers have seen their child receive praise and reward certificates, including our Secrets of Success Awards.

At this time of year, it is usually very easy to get caught up in the excitement and anticipation of Christmas. However, now more than ever before, there are so many people in our local, national and world communities who will experience only hardship and sadness at this time of year; let us remember them and be aware that it is not 'the season to be jolly' for all.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your support over this term. Being Head Teacher at Woodlands Primary and Nursery is a great privilege and I feel truly blessed. The staff Team have been especially incredible this term and have worked so hard, despite the numerous challenges they have needed to overcome.

I wish all of you a very safe and happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on January 4th for the beginning of our spring term.



The whole school thoroughly enjoyed watching the virtual pantomime on Wednesday-Oh yes they did!! It was also brilliant to see so many elaborate costumes, to mark the event! Well done to children and staff! We have also enjoyed seeing all of the children brightening up the last few days of term, wearing all of their Christmas jumpers!





Over the past week, Year 5 have completed their geography work on Volcanoes and Earthquakes, by building their own, Mount Vesuvius (Pompeii 79AD). The eruption, which linked in with Science and chemical reactions, by mixing vinegar and bicarbonate of soda.

The acid (Vinegar) and the alkali (bicarbonate of soda), react together producing bubbles of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). CO<sub>2</sub> is released like a pyroclastic flow. A pyroclastic flow moves very fast and is extremely dangerous, whilst lava flows move slowly and are not as much of a threat.



Thank you so much to the team at Madeley council who very generously delivered a present for every single child in school! Everyone was very excited!



### ATTENDANCE

We are really pleased to report that our whole school attendance has remained above national average and the local average! In addition, lots of children whose attendance was low, has significantly improved and over 100 children across school have 100% attendance! Well done!



Thank you to everyone who entered the JRSO competition. Congratulations to Damian who answered with the correct answer Stop Look Listen Think.



Year 3 were extremely keen to show off their finished pieces after their hard work in sewing lessons! They are very professionally made, using a variety of stitching techniques.



Well done to the following children for taking advantage of our new on line Times Table Rock Stars challenge. We are really proud of how much time you are spending having fun and learning at the same time!



- Y1 Tommy S
- Y2 Cody-Ryan H
- Y3 Donnell T
- Y4 Astrid B
- Y5 Leon C
- Y6 Jemma J



#### Dates for your diary:

Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b> Non uniform
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b>



If you have not yet signed up for 'Class Dojo' please speak to your child's teacher. This is a great way to keep in touch with school, have access to important information and keep up to date with your child's learning!

All dates, information and school information is also available on our school website:

<https://www.woodlands-sch.org.uk/>