

# Woodfield Word

13/14  
Issue 10

Friday 14th  
February 2014

## A note from the Heads'...

H Guest  
K Harney

Half term is here already and no snow!! It has been a busy half term in which we got to see many of you at parents' evenings. Many thanks to you all for attending, the home-school partnership is so important and it was lovely to see you. Pupil progress sheets and IPM's were available on the nights and if you were unable to make appointments then these will be posted out to you shortly.

Have a great half term, and as always, thank you for your support. We return to school on **Monday 24th February**.

## Bad Weather Update

We would like to remind you of our procedures should we consider to close if we have bad weather. Notices will be posted on our school website [www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk), Facebook and Twitter.

We will also email all pupils and inform the County Council. We will also contact local radio, however they do not always list schools, just refer you to their website. Text messages will also be sent out so please register with ParentPay to access this service. (We are happy to help anyone set this up, just pop into reception).



## Zumba After School Club

A fun, new after school club is being launched on Tuesday 25th February (see advert).

Any pupil wishing to give it a try should see Mrs Guest to book a place.

Places are limited and will be issued on a first come first served basis.

Thank you.

## Meet the New Head Teacher

Following my previous letter to you last year, the Governors are delighted to be able to tell you that the recruitment process has now taken place and the new Headteacher is Mr Stephen Bond.

In order that you can meet Mr Bond he will be holding an open meeting at school on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2014 between 3pm and 5pm in the Main Hall**. We hope that as many of you as possible can come along and meet our new Headteacher and ask any questions you may have, whilst welcoming him to the Woodfield family.

## Important Information for Parents - Term Time Holidays

This is to inform parents that the Government has changed its guidelines with regards to holidays during term time. Holidays can only be granted in 'exceptional circumstances' and need to be supported by written application explaining the reasons.

Worcestershire County Council can issue penalty notice fines of £60 per parent of each child, increasing to £120 each if not paid within 21 days. If this fine is not paid within 28 days this may lead to court proceedings.

## Fire Safety Practice

We held our regular fire practice on Thursday which went very well. With everyone's safety in mind we would like to remind parents of the following:

If you hear a fire alarm when approaching school please do not enter the building until you see a member of staff at reception.

Thank you for your cooperation.

COMING SOON!

YOUNG & funky  
Fitness



ZUMBA  
kids

Woodfield Academy  
after-school club

- ★ Zumba® Routines ★
- ★ Rhythm Review ★
- ★ Dance Games ★

Starts Tuesday 25th February!  
3:30-4:15pm

[www.youngandfunkyfitness.co.uk](http://www.youngandfunkyfitness.co.uk)

## Attendance

Attendance is very important to ensure pupils reach their full potential and is something that Woodfield monitor very closely.

**Attendance for the week 03/02/2014 to 07/02/2014.**

Year 5 - 95.4% Year 6 - 95.2%

Year 7 - 93.3% Year 8 - 94.9%

Whole School - 95.4%

Whole School Target - 94.7%

Congratulations to 5FD who achieved the highest attendance this week.

Last week's best class was 6PA.

## Important Dates

14th February

End of Half Term

24th February

Return to School

11th April

End of Term

28th April

Return to School



## Chinese New Year

On Friday 31st January 2014 we celebrated the Chinese New Year, The Year of the Horse.

During the week before, a number of Year 7 students got together with Mrs Cheuk in the Art Department and created a large dragon head which they then all got underneath and moved through the hall during the whole school assembly.

Along with the dragon head, oriental music was performed by Year 5 drummers and percussionists. The presentation on the hall screen concerning China was put together by Joseph Berg and 'the voice' was Libby Laisley.

Many thanks to all those students who contributed towards celebrating the New Year.

If you want to make a wish, write it on a piece of paper and pop it into the dragon's mouth.

Miss J Williams



Active Kids



## Sainsburys Vouchers

The PE Department are collecting Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers.

If you shop at Sainsburys we would be grateful of any vouchers that you can donate to Woodfield.

A box will be put in Reception.

Thank you.

## Well Done!

An ex-pupil of Woodfield has been awarded a 'Head Teacher's Tie' at High School.

Olivia Clarke now attends Arrow Vale High School and has been commended for her commitment to helping at drama and back stage at Woodfield as well as sports at her new school.

Well done Olivia, keep up the good work.

Support for



You & your family

There will be Fun Activities for children, Information, Displays, Demonstrations, Goody Bags and Freebies.

**Come along and meet the team!**

Rosemaria Photography will be attending on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

You can have professional photographs of your children taken at a promotional cost of only £5 for the first print

Come along to our...

# Roadshow

to launch the new Early Help Service in Redditch, formally known as the Redditch Children's Centres

(SureStart still remains a part of this service. This new service is here to provide Help, Guidance and Information to all families in Redditch with children and young people 0-19 years of age)

Date: Half term daily, 17th to 21st February  
Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm daily  
Venue: 17th - The Space, Winyates  
18th - Willow Trees Community Centre, Church Hill  
19th - HDA Club, Batchley  
20th - Woodrow Library  
21st - Town Hall

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Redditch

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