



'The pathway to success'

Woodhouse Community Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter – Friday 17th March 2017

This week, our RRSA Article 28 is the Right to education:

'All children have the right to a primary education, which should be free. Wealthy countries should help poorer countries achieve this right... Young people should be encouraged to reach the highest level of education of which they are capable.'

Robin Wood: Last weekend I was lucky enough to spend Saturday with the children and staff up at Robin Wood on their residential trip. Over the years, I have taken many groups of children on similar trips but I have rarely seen a group of children who embraced the experience as fully as our children did. They were enthusiastic, resilient, courageous and fabulous team members and the staff at the centre all commented on their excellent manners and positive attitudes. My grateful thanks goes to Mrs Smith, Miss Dargue and Mr Sanders who gave up their weekends with their own families to allow this trip to happen. Well done to everyone who enjoyed this amazing experience!

Music Ensemble: This week the children enjoyed a music ensemble by a band called 'The Wandering Minstrels'. It is always nice for the children to experience a range of different music styles and they thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

Breakfast Club: There seems to be a lot of children coming into school around 8.30am who are not attending Breakfast Club. Please note that if children are not coming to Breakfast Club, **they must not arrive before 8.45am.** This is to ensure our staff to pupil ratios are accurate. Children are welcome to attend Breakfast Club from 8.10am at a cost of 50p per day and this must be paid on the day.

Parent conduct: It has been reported to me that some adults are using highly inappropriate and offensive language in front of children whilst waiting to come into Breakfast Club and when collecting children from nursery. This is not acceptable and if it continues, I will be forced to contact the individuals directly to explain that they will need to make alternative provision for dropping off / collecting their children, in order to protect others from such language. It is our duty to ensure children on our premises are safe, happy and protected and therefore I will not hesitate to remove permissions from parents or carers to access our premises if this continues.

School Meals: Please note that if your child is changing from a school meal to packed lunch, or vice versa, we need 3 weeks' notice. This is to ensure our ordering is accurate. Thank you.

Food Festival Sessions: Bishop Auckland Food Festival are offering a family cookery drop-in session at the AYCC building (behind Woodhouse Close Church) on Tuesday 28th March 4-5pm.

Attendance: Last week, the winners of Astronomical Attendance are Class 5 with 97.9% attendance, well done!

Rec - 94.2%

Yr1 - 95.3%

Yr2 - 94.1%

Yr3 - 97.2%

Yr4 - 96.9%

Yr5 - 97.9%

Yr6 - 92.6%

Lunchtime Supervisor's Good manners award this week goes to Aidan Dack for always being polite, well-mannered and very hard-working!

Mrs Page
Headteacher

