



'the pathway to success'

# Woodhouse Community Primary School

## NEWS LETTER Spring 1 Week 1: ending 12.1.18



**Happy New Year!** I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas break. It has been fantastic to welcome everyone back to school this week and the children have got off to a very positive start to 2018, already having a class trip to a real life space capsule, a gymnastics festival and after school clubs underway!

**EDP Visit:** Sue Smith, our Education Development Partner, visited Governors to analyse our 2017 data this week. She was thrilled (as are we) with the outcomes, especially the progress our Y6 pupils made last year from KS1. We are in the top 10% of schools in the country for achieving the highest levels of progress in Reading and Writing and in the top 5% nationally for Maths! This is a tremendous achievement and I cannot thank every member of staff, governors and parents enough for their support in ensuring such positive outcomes for our children. Long may it continue!

**After school clubs:** If your child has committed to joining an after school club, please ensure they attend every week. It is unfair on those who didn't manage to get in if a place is not being kept regularly by someone else. Also, please ensure an adult is there to collect children at the end of every club on time, as it is distressing for children who have to wait to be collected once everyone else has left. Thank you

**Dogs:** Dogs are strictly not permitted on the school grounds, even if being carried. This is a health and safety risk. Please also ensure dogs do not foul anywhere near the school premises as this is unpleasant and potentially very dangerous to children if brought into school. Thank you

**Uniform:** May I remind parents and carers that children should wear full school uniform at all times. Several children are wearing sportswear style trousers etc which is not part of our uniform: grey or black school trousers / skirts, please. False nails are not permitted to be worn in school as, like earrings, they can pose a serious risk to the wearer and others. They need to be cut short or preferably removed completely. Thank you.

### **Astronomical Attendance:**

WEEK 6	Whole Class Attendance % this week	% of class with 100% attendance this week	Minutes late lost per class
Reception	91.3	70	0
Year 1	99.2 ☺ Well done, Y1	96 ☺ Fantastic, Y1!	62
Year 2	98.7	93.3	30
Year 3	95.0	82.1	60
Year 4	96.9	82.8	32
Year 5	93.9	76.7	46
Year 6	93.3 ☹ Need to do better, please...	86.7	88 ☹ Come on, Y6...

**Average attendance this week for Rec- Y6 = 95.5 %: this is an increase since before Christmas: well done and keep it up!**

**Lateness:** An improvement but still too high this week, with 318 minutes lost due to being late. We will be in contact with those parents where this is a continued pattern of lateness to reduce this and increase learning time.

**Unauthorised absence:** 2.18% This is much better than before Christmas: keep it up!!

**Absence due to illness:** 1.84% Also a big improvement!

**Lunchtime Supervisor's Good manners award:** this week goes to Ellie May Cooke who is always a fantastic role model for everyone in our school!



Dates for your diary

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Children return to school</b>
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Judo Taster sessions in school (Y1 – Y6) all children need PE kits please</b>
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Break up for 1 Week Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Children and staff return to school</b>