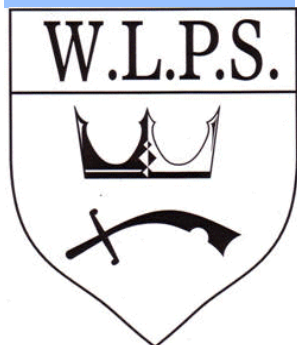


# Autumn Term

21st December  
2016



## The Woodham Ley News

Well that's it for this term; and what a term it has been. We have had a host of productions from Nativities to Henry the VIII; we have raised money for Children in Need and Cancer Research; we have taken part in lots of sporting events and we have aimed to support you by having curriculum parent sessions and reading cafes. I know that next term is going to be just as busy and we are already looking forward to it.

Have a great Christmas with your family and friends and we will see you all on **Thursday 5th January.**

### **X- country and Art Competition**

The House Captains have over the past few weeks been organising competitions between all of the children in the school. This is something that they are responsible for and they have done themselves proud. The two competitions that were organised this term were cross country running and an art competition. The House Captains would like to thank everyone who competed in the competitions as they were a huge success. Well done to everyone who competed, even if you didn't win it was really close. The winning House team will receive points which will go towards a cup at the end of the year.

### **Lights, Camera, Action**

We have been able to purchase our new up-graded lighting system thanks to Mr Smith (Kiera and Isla's granddad) who donated £140 at the end of the Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity. Due to this very generous donation along with the donations from all of the parents, we were able to buy a system that will enable the children to be lighting technicians in the future. Thanks to all.



### **The fire service**

On Monday this week, the children in Year1 and Yr2 were visited by the fire service as part of their topic. Great Fire of London. They have asked that we advertise the fact that families are entitled to a free smoke alarm. If this is something you are interested in then simply call: 0300 303 0088 to arrange a visit from Essex County Fire and Rescue Service who will carry out a home fire safety visit which includes fitting smoke alarms free of charge. Thank you.

### **Reminders**

- We will be having Pizza on the 5th Jan and chicken chunks on the 6th Jan. We will be starting with the week 2 Menu from the 9th January.
- The new clubs timetable is attached for your reference. The Deanes Clubs will be starting the week beginning 16th January. Places will be on a first come first served basis. Forms are available from the office.



### **Attendance League**

Well done to Turner Class for winning the Attendance League this week and to Picasso Class for this half term

Weekly results		
Class	Result	League points
Turner	98.28%	10
Picasso	94.44%	21
Matisse	85.56%	18
Monet	96.67%	13
Hockney	94.44%	11
Goldsworthy	89.66%	11
Dali	89.44%	10
Whole school % since the start of the year	<b>96.38%</b>	<b>Lead Class Picasso</b>

### **Diary dates**

5th Jan 2017	Back to school- Pizza day for lunch
6th Jan	Chicken chunks for lunch
9th Jan	Week 2 menu
19th Jan	Young Voices at the O2
26th Jan	Trip to Houses of Parliament
28th Jan	PTA 80's Night 7-10pm

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# Parents' Support Page

## QUESTIONS FOR READING

Below you will find a list of possible questions to help you with conversations about your child's reading. They are not intended to be used all at once or every time you read with your child. Use them at your discretion and where they are appropriate. Happy Reading !!

### Questions to ask before you read

- Can you look at the pictures and predict what you think will happen in this book?
- What makes you think that?
- What characters do you think might be in our story?
- Do you think there will be a problem in this story? Why or why not?
- Does the topic/story relate to you or your family? How?

### Questions to ask during the reading

- What do you think will happen next?
- What can you tell me about the story so far?
- Can you predict how the story will end?
- Why do you think the character did \_\_\_\_\_?
- What would you have done if you were the character?
- How would you have felt if you were the character? (use different characters)
- As I read \_\_\_\_\_, it made me picture \_\_\_\_\_ in my head. What pictures do you see in your head?
- As you read, what are you wondering about?
- Can you put what you've just read in your own words?

### Questions to ask after reading

- Can you remember the title?
- In your opinion, was it a good title for this book? Why or why not?
- Were your predictions about the story correct?
- If there was a problem, did it get solved?
- What happened because of the problem?
- Why do you think the author wrote this book?
- What is the most important point the author is trying to make in his writing?
- What was your favourite part of the story?
- If you could change one thing in the story, what would it be?
- Can you retell the story in order?
- If you were \_\_\_\_\_, how would you have felt?
- What is the most interesting situation in the story?
- Is there a character in the story like you? How are you alike?
- Why did you like this book?