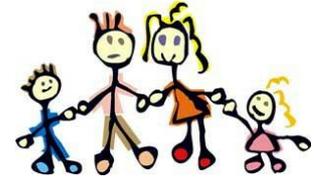




# Outwoods Primary School

## Newsletter

17th February 2017



Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end of a very busy half term here at Outwoods I would just like to say how proud I am of everyone in the Outwoods family. I have been visiting all the classrooms and looking at the children's work and I can honestly say that I am delighted at the standard of work most children are producing. I am sure you will be amazed when you come to parents' evening on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Yesterday, our Year Two children dressed up in 1940's clothes and they looked FANTASTIC! It almost felt like I had stepped back in time, walking through the classrooms. We also had our reception children dressed as pirates the week before, you can understand that at times I'm not quite sure what I'm going to find when I walk through school!

We are also delighted that a number of our children have won awards in the Nuneaton Festival of Arts. The exhibition is still on for another week yet, in Riversley Park in Nuneaton, so a visit might be a nice half term trip for the family!

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break, and I look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday February 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Dandy



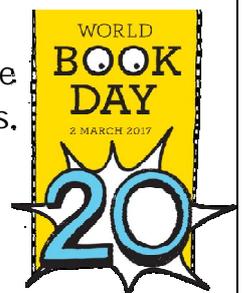
### SATS Revision Books

Children in year 6 and year 2 will be taking part in their end of key stage assessments during next term. We are committed to doing all we can to prepare them for the tests, both in terms of their school work but also in terms of them being to deal with what will be asked of them and how they can be confident and relaxed. To help children with their work, parents and carers are able to purchase books from the school office. There are reading, grammar and maths books priced at £5 each.

### World Book Day - Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017

On Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup> it will be the twentieth World Book Day and we will be celebrating here at Outwoods with a range of exciting book-related activities. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite character from books and we will have competitions and games. We are hoping to purchase new books for school and are asking local businesses to 'sponsor a book'. Perhaps if you work locally you could mention it to your boss? We will be publishing book lists for people who would be kind enough to help us boost our library!

If you would like some ideas for costumes for your child, or just to find out more about World Book Day -you can look on the official website at <http://www.worldbookday.com/>



### Important Dates - here are a few dates for your diary

Fri 17 Feb -	School breaks up for half term
Mon 27 Feb -	Back to School
Tues 28 Feb -	Atherstone Ball Game (school closes at 1.15 p.m.)
Thur 2 Mar -	World Book Day (children can dress up as a book character)
Mon 13 Mar -	Parents Evening (3.30 p.m - 7:30 p.m.)
Tues 14 Mar -	Year 2 London Trip
Fri 24 Mar -	Red Nose Day for Comic Relief
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar -	Non-uniform day
Thur 6 <sup>th</sup> Apr -	Children's Easter Fun Night
Fri 7 Apr -	School breaks up for Easter



#### RELIEF STAFF

We are always on the look-out for reliable people who might wish to add their name to our list of relief cleaning staff or midday supervisors.

If you are interested in either of these job opportunities, please call at the school office or send an email to [admin2083@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2083@welearn365.com)



#### SMOKING

Our children have mentioned to me that they do not like having to walk through plumes of cigarette smoke on their way into school. A tiny minority of parents choose to smoke right outside our gates. Could you please be more considerate to our children and not smoke right next to our school? I am sure you are as keen as I am to be good role models and promote healthy lifestyles. Thank you.

#### Atherstone Ball Game

Please note that the school will be closing after lunch at 1.15pm on Tuesday 28th February due to the Atherstone Ball Game. Nursery will close at 12.45. If you cannot collect your child or make arrangements for them to be collected, don't worry. They can remain in school with staff. Just let us know so we can make sure we account for everybody. A register of who will remain in school will be kept at the office.

#### Uniform - A Reminder

Outwoods Primary School is extremely proud of its school uniform. The school colours of green and gold encourage a sense of belonging. We ask for your co-operation in dressing your children in school uniform every day. We have noticed lately that there are a number of children coming to school in incorrect uniform so would therefore like to remind you of our policy.

Uniform is now available from the School Wear Centre in Nuneaton or online via the 'School Trends' website (you can reach this through the school website).

#### Our Uniform Policy

Grey trousers/ skirt or pinafore (not leggings or jeans)

Gold polo shirt; Forest green sweatshirt or cardigan

Green or yellow gingham dress (summer)/ grey shorts

Black plain low-heeled shoes or black trainers (no logos - and NOT colourful trainers)

#### PE Kit

Black shorts

White t shirt with or without the school logo

Black pumps

Trainers for outdoor PE

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME!

