

Featherstone Wood Primary School

Newsletter

7th November, 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

New Arrival



It is wonderful to be able to let you know that Mrs Jones has given birth to a little baby daughter, Ruby, weighing 8lb 2oz, on 5th November. I am sure you would all like to join me in sending our congratulations to Mr and Mrs Jones. We all look forward to having a cuddle soon!

Bliss Balloon Race

Thank you to everyone who bought a balloon for our charity Bliss. We raised the total sum of £310 by selling 250 balloons. The balloons were sent skyward by all the children and parents who came to watch. We have received tickets back in school from Norfolk and further afield. The results will be given out in next Friday's assembly.

Some balloons did not 'lift off' so they were all collected in, the labels put on new balloons and were sent on their way from Mrs Hoare's back garden the same day!



WOW

Our school has been taking part in the 'Walk once a Week' (WOW) project and we have been informed that when we started 62% of children were walking (or travelling sustainably) to school and that the figure is now 71%. That is an increase of 9% in less than two months, which is fantastic.

MacMillan Cancer Support

On Saturday, 15th November, Macmillan Cancer Support will be in Stevenage Town Centre collecting funds for the Macmillan Unit at the Lister Hospital. There will be several performances throughout the day so pop along if you can and support this worthwhile cause.

Attendance

The winners of this week's Attendance Cup are Year 5 with 98%. Well done everyone. I am really pleased that five classes achieved our target attendance of 95% and over.



Calling all talented musicians!

Do you, a friend or relative play a musical instrument? If you do, then we need your support.

I would like to put together an assembly for the children to see and hear real live instruments being played which is something they rarely, if ever, get to hear and appreciate. It does not matter how good or not you think your playing is, or how rusty you are, please contact Mr. Hodson to discuss further. We need you now!

We have also had a request from our Early Years Unit asking whether yourself or anyone you know would be willing to come into school and meet the children and answer a few of their questions. We are particularly keen for them to meet people who work in the dentistry/medical profession, the police or fire service, or the caring profession, or indeed any other occupation that helps others. If you could come along in your uniform that would be brilliant!

Star Learners

We are very proud of our Star Learners who, this week, are:-

Reception - Scarlett Robinson

Year 1 - Sophie Rapp

Year 2 - Lacey Wyles

Year 3 - Damien Brunsden

Year 4 - Courtney Taylor

Year 5 - Charlotte Cullen

Year 6 - Dylan Mangoro

Dates for your Diary

11th November - Remembrance Day
Assembly - 10.30 a.m.

21st November - Christmas Fair

10th December - KS1 play - Matinee
Performance - 1.30

11th December - KS1 - Evening
Performance - 6.00

12th December - Carols Round the Tree
2.00 p.m.

16th December - EYFS play - 9.30 a.m.

17th December - Christmas Dinner

18th December - Christmas parties

19th December - Term ends 2.00 p.m.

5th January - Inset Day

6th January - Children back to school

Louise Shuttleworth
Headteacher

