



Woodhall School News



October 2014

AUTUMN HAS ARRIVED...



...and we have already experienced a few wet playtimes in the last couple of weeks! Thankyou for making sure that the children all look so smart in their school uniforms. Please remember to send your child to school with a waterproof coat. Even when it is raining lightly, we still try to get the children out on the playground at lunchtimes to stretch their legs and get some fresh air. We would still welcome any donations of spare wellies in our Nursery and Reception!



RED, WHITE AND WOODHALL DAY



Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make our 60th anniversary so special. We had a great day, and many former staff and pupils came to have a look around their old school! Did you spot us in the Watford Observer? Although the day wasn't primarily about money, we managed to raise nearly £800 , some of which we will put towards some new playground equipment.. Here's to the next 60 years!



POETRY ALOUD!



This Week, we held our second 'Poetry Aloud' competition. The children were invited to learn a poem by heart and perform it in front of their class. Winners were voted for, and these children performed their poems in front of the whole school - not an easy task, but they did it brilliantly! Well done to all that entered, but especially to our finalists: **HENRY** (Y1) who performed 'I'm Not Scared of Monsters!', **DEAN** (Y2) with 'Happy', **TALULLAH** (Y3) with 'Mary had a Little Pet' and **LILLIE** (Y6) with 'Bumblebee'. And huge congratulations to our overall winners...**ALYSSA** (Y4) who performed 'A Smile' and **KAYLEIGH** (Y5) with 'Homework Stew'.
Look out for their photos on our blog!



BREAKFAST CLUB



Breakfast Club offers children not only a hearty breakfast to wake up the body, but also lots of games to get the brain active and ready for the day ahead! What better way to start the day, and all for £1.50 per session! Please remember that payment **MUST** be made by the Thursday in advance. Thankyou!



CHILDREN IN NEED 2014



This year we will be raising money for Children in Need on FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER with the ever popular *Wear a Onesie Day!* The children (and staff!) can come to school in their onesies for a suggested donation of £1.00 to Children in Need. As well as dressing up, classes will be taking part in various Pudsey-related activities throughout the day.



SPORTS NEWS



Well done to our netball team: Halle, Mya C, Anthony, Hugo, David (Y6), Lily, Mollie and Aimee (Y5) who, after *only 3 weeks training*, took part in a tournament against Warren Dell, St.Meryl and St.Josephs last week. Although we lost our matches, we put in a valiant effort and every player showed amazing team spirit and sportsmanship throughout. We are very proud of you all! Our football club is up and running, with fixtures coming up after half term. There are still spaces in our Tuesday afternoon karate club - please ask for more details. Karate is an excellent way to promote mental and physical agility and some of the children have already achieved their red belt! Last week, the children were able to try out a new sport called 'Fiitball', which they thoroughly enjoyed. Look out for our Fiitball Club starting soon! After half term, KS2 will take part in hockey taster sessions, also to be followed up with an after school club. Please make sure that the children have their PE kits in school EVERY DAY! Thanks.



TRICK OR TREAT?!



This year, Halloween falls during half term week. We know that many Woodhall children enjoy 'trick or treating'. For some excellent tips about how to make sure that Halloween is a safe, happy and fun time for everyone, have a look on http://www.halloween-safety.com/halloween_safety_adults.html This year, Hertfordshire Police are running a Halloween/Fireworks competition with some fantastic prizes, so for something to occupy the children during their week off, log on to http://www.herts.police.uk/advice/young_people/halloween_bonfire_night_2014/competition.aspx Good luck everyone!

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALF TERM!