



## Woodfall News

4 February 2014



### RotaKids

On 31<sup>st</sup> January we launched our RotaKids programme with the Rotary Club of Neston. We welcomed District Governor Philip Horwood, ADG Molly Youd, Neston President Scirard Lancelyn Green, Senior vice President David Bridgen and Steve Martin from the Rotary Club of Neston.

William Button-Forshaw was elected as President of our RotaKids. Reece Barlow Vice President, Ruby Quinn as Secretary and Sophie McKellar as Treasurer. We are looking forward to the coming months and working closely together.

As part of our pledge to raise funds to eradicate polio we planted crocus bulbs last November with the Rotary Club of Neston. We have raised £40.00 selling them to parents and staff.

We will be holding a Non Uniform - Wear Purple Day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014 to support our local charity - Neston Food Bank.

The children are invited to wear purple for the day or alternatively non uniform for a donation of 50p. Rotakids will then buy food with the proceeds for the Food Bank.

*Mrs Hayley Foster - Rotary Liaison Leader*

### Half Term Holiday

School closes for the half term holiday on Friday 14 February and will re-open on Monday 24 February 2014.



### BBC - 500 Word Competition

We would like as many children as possible to take part in the 2014 BBC story writing competition.

Staff will talk to the children about the competition in school but entries must be completed at home. There is more information and inspiration on the internet at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1>.

Please visit the website with your child and encourage them to take part. Feel free to send copies of entries into school too!

Thank you for your support. Remember the closing date is Wednesday 26 February 2014.

*Miss Nuttall & Mrs Harrahill*  
*(Literacy subject leaders)*



### Writing Ambassadors

Emma Fewtrell and Phoebe Eilbeck were selected as Woodfall's Writing Ambassadors for their enthusiasm and love for writing.

The ambassadors have already helped Miss Nuttall to launch the BBC 500 word competition in the junior assembly. They have also contributed their writing wisdom to the new writing display in the junior corridor. The girls will have a busy year helping to promote writing at Woodfall but are ready for the challenge!

"We want to inspire all pupils at Woodfall! We will let you know about events and will help you with ideas for your writing. You can ask us questions any time!" *Emma & Phoebe*

### Your Feedback

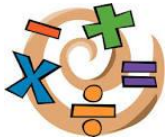
If you have any queries or comments to make about any of the items on this newsletter, please contact Mrs Hough, Mrs Bramham or Mrs Hogg in the School Office.



## Year 5 - Smokebusters

At the end of January Year 5 were visited by members of Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service. Pupils were shown around a real fire engine and entered the 'Smoke tent' to experience what it would feel like to be near a fire. The children watched dvd clips with the team, discussed safety action plans and learnt how to prevent dangers. Year 5 are now Fire Safety experts so please ask them if you need any advice!

Children can enjoy learning more on the Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service website <http://www.cheshirefire.gov.uk/kidzone/>



## Maths Event

Congratulations to our year 6 girls maths team, who recently attended the finals of the first ever Accelerate Maths Competition, after winning their qualifying heat in November. They competed in 5 different rounds against children representing schools from Liverpool to Stoke, finishing 7th overall out of 32 schools taking part. Well done girls - we are very proud of you.



## Athletics Competition

A team of 12 Y5/6 children attended a Athletics Competition at Chester University on 16 January. The children competed in various events culminating in a team relay sprint finish. The championship trophy now proudly resides in Woodfall's trophy cabinet! Well done to all who took part.

## Dinner Money

(24 February to 4 April 2014)

### Reception - Year 2

School meals should be paid for in advance, either weekly or half-termly as follows:

Every day	£64.50
Weekly	£10.75
Wednesday only	£12.90
Friday only	£12.90
Wednesday & Friday	£25.80

Cheques are the preferred form of payment and should be made payable to: **Cheshire West and Chester Council.**

If your child is absent from school a refund for their school meal can be obtained by completing a refund slip available from the school office.

Infant children who normally have a packed lunch can now opt to have a hot meal on an ad hoc basis.

To ensure that the cook prepares enough food, it will be necessary to send your child into school with an envelope clearly marked with their name, date the meal is required and correct money (**£2.15 per day**). We will then be able to provide the cook with a daily list of additional children who have paid for a school meal.

## Parking Update

We have been speaking with the children in school about safe and courteous parking. Following on from our Road Safety Parking competition, we would like to congratulate Eliza Dowling (4P) on her winning design and Sam Mundy (4P) for achieving the 'runner up' award. We have sent a copy of the design to every family in Woodfall and politely request again, that all journeys to school are carefully planned. Please allow enough time for your journey, anticipating traffic. Please consider parking at the The Royal Oak and 'striding' to school ('Park and Stride!').

## Holiday Dates 2013 - 2014

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SPRING HALF TERM 2014	FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2014	MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2014
EASTER 2014	FRIDAY 4 APRIL 2014	WEDNESDAY 23 APRIL 2014
<b>MAY DAY 2014 - MONDAY 5 MAY 2014</b>		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2014	FRIDAY 23 MAY 2014	MONDAY 2 JUNE 2014
SUMMER 2014	WEDNESDAY 23 JULY 2014	---

### INSET DAYS

TUESDAY 22 APRIL 2014  
THURSDAY 5 JUNE 2014

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## Holiday Dates 2014 – 2015

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER 2014		TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2014
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2014	FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER 2014	TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2014
CHRISTMAS 2014/15	FRIDAY 19 DECEMBER 2014	MONDAY 5 JANUARY 2015
SPRING HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2015	MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015
EASTER 2015	THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2015	MONDAY 20 APRIL 2015
<b>MAY DAY 2015 - MONDAY 4 MAY 2015</b>		
SUMMER HALF TERM 2015	FRIDAY 22 MAY 2015	MONDAY 1 JUNE 2015
SUMMER 2015	FRIDAY 17 JULY 2015	

### INSET DAYS

MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2014  
MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2014  
THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015  
MONDAY 20 JULY 2015  
TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015

## Spring Term 2014

<b>February</b>		
Monday	3	4G to Burwardsley
Tuesday	4	4G at Burwardsley Y3 Swimming (4) 8.00pm PA Meeting - Hinderton Arms
Wednesday	5	4G home from Burwardsley (4.00pm) 4P to Burwardsley
Thursday	6	4P at Burwardsley
Friday	7	4P home from Burwardsley
Saturday	8	Cross Country - Woodlands Primary School, Ellesmere Port
Tuesday	11	Internet Safety Day Y3 Swimming (5)
Wednesday	12	5.15pm Y6 SATs Meeting for parents
Thursday	13	7.00pm Full Governing Body Meeting
Friday	14	Non-Uniform Day (Purple Day) - 50p donation in aid of Neston Food Bank
Half - Term Monday 17 - Friday 21 February		
Monday	24	School re-opens
Tuesday	25	Y3 Swimming (6)
Wednesday	26	Year 1 Build a Bear Visit
Thursday	27	Y6 Maths Team - Neston High School (9.30 - 11.30am)
<b>March</b>		
Tuesday	4	Y3 Swimming (7)
Wednesday	5	Y4 Cake Sale
Thursday	6	World Book Day
Saturday	8	Cross Country - Whitby Heath Primary School, Ellesmere Port
Tuesday	11	Y3 Swimming (8)
Tuesday	18	Y3 Swimming (9)
Wednesday	19	Judo Assembly (Juniors)
Friday	21	Sport Relief
Monday	24	7.00pm Full Governing Body Meeting
Tuesday	25	Y3 Swimming (10 - last session) 3.30 - 6.30pm Parents Evening (Not Year 6)
Wednesday	26	3.30 - 6.30pm Parents Evening (Year 6 Only)
Thursday	27	3.30 - 6.30pm Parents Evening
Saturday	29	Cross Country Final - Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ellesmere Port
<b>April</b>		
Thursday	3	Grandparents Toy Party
Friday	4	Infant Cake Sale School closes for Easter Holidays
Wednesday	23	School re-opens to pupils

*Just to remind you we have an open invitation for you to contact us regarding queries and / or problems. Please help us by letting us try to help straight away, rather than letting things build up.*

*Thank you*