



Arden Forest Infant School

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November Newsletter : No 3



Head's News

Dear Parents/Carers,

We had a very busy first half term, which ended in what I hope will be an annual event—Arden Forest's Spooktacular.

Special thanks to the team lead by Mel Wagstaff (Pastoral Lead) and Mercedes Kemp (School Business Manager) and their Mums' who helped organise this event. We managed to raise a whooping £645 for school! We are very much hoping that a PTA will be able to take a lead on this in future years and raise even more money.

At our recent Parents Evening, 95% of parents/carers attended. Only 8 children from the whole school did not have anyone attend.

This high level committed is powerful in that this evidences school and home working together to secure the best outcomes for children.

We are keen to develop even further working with our families and community and last half term was a good start. We look forward to seeing even more parents at future events.

Warm regards
Mrs R Gunn
Headteacher

SCHOOL START AND FINISH

TIMES.



8.25am—Gates Open

8.30am— Classroom doors open

8.35am—School starts—all classes

3.05pm– School finishes—all classes

Please arrive promptly as lessons,

Coats

Please can all children be sent to school with their coat. Although we are still having some dry weather ,children still need coats in case of drizzle and those colder days.



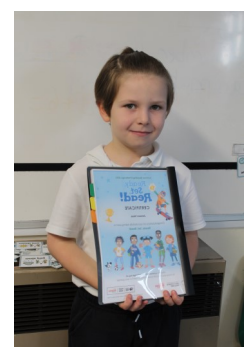
A reminder if you are sending your child in with Packed Lunch or booking a hot dinner please can you select this on the Parent Mail app. This allows us to have an up to date register & ensure nobody is missed.



Fantastic Achievement

Well Done to Jenson who completed the Summer Reading challenge and an additional Carol Vorderman maths summer challenge! Jenson were rewarded with a certificate and a medal from the Library for completing the challenge!

What a fantastic achievement, congratulations!



Children In Need— Friday 17th Nov

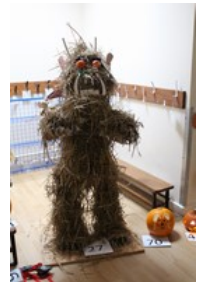


We are asking if the children can come into school wearing their school uniform and a **Spotty accessory** (for example spotty socks, spotty tights, spotty shoes, spotty Pudsey head band, spotty belt, spotty tie or bow tie, spotty scarf) and we are asking for a **£1.00 donation on the day. Thank you.**

Halloween Spooktacular



Thank you to everyone who supported with the Halloween Spooktacular, It was great to see so many people come to support the school and get involved. We had a large number of scarecrows and pumpkins, all imaginatively made and carved.



It was also wonderful to see the children dressed up and have fun.

The winners as voted by the children and families were:

Archie from 1B for his pumpkin & Pippa from RB for her Scarecrow.

The amount raised £645.00

Harvest Festival



Thanks for all the donations for Harvest Festival. All donations were collected on 18th October and taken to Bedworth Community Cen-

Remembrance Day.

We held a Remembrance commemoration on Friday 10th Nov at 11am on the playground.

Our Year 2 Children lead the event & each class laid a wreath on our own "Unknown Soldier"



Friends of Arden PTA

After a number of years, we are looking to restart the 'Friends of Arden Forest committee, as we have some great ideas for fund raising activities but need the support of willing volunteers to make things happen. E.g. bingo night, car boot, fete, etc

We know that some parents have asked about this in the past and we are now ready to move forward and grow the school community wider. We will be sending information out in the coming weeks but if anyone is interested please email Mrs Kemp (School Business Manager) kemp.s6@welearn365.com



Parking

Parking for school drop off and pick up is available at Weston Hall and the Church Car Park.

As the school bus, stops outside the school we would really appreciate if people could avoid parking opposite the school on the curb. Although this isn't illegal it does cause an obstruction to cars trying to drive past and causes a potential hazard to the children. As the roads are out of schools control we would like to advise anyone who is witnessing a risk to call 101 and log this with the police. This allows the police to build a better picture of what is happening and to enable them to come and do regular patrols.

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Useful Diary Dates



Tuesday 14th November	Year 1—learning showcase 2.15. More info to follow
Friday 17th November	Children in need— Children to wear spotty accessories.
Wednesday 13th December	Reception school trip to Warwick Art Centre
Wednesday 13th December	Year 1 Disco— 5.00 –6.30pm £5 per child
Monday 18th December	Year 2—Carols around the Christmas Tree in School
Tuesday 19th December	Reception Christmas Concert 2.00pm
Thursday 21st December	Last Day of Term and Christmas Lunch.
Monday 8th January 2024	Teacher Training— School Closed
Tuesday 9th January 2024	School open at 8.30am

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