

Forge Wood Primary School

Newsletter

6 January 2017



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am sure that 2017 is going to be a great year as the school develops both sides on Somerley Drive! We would also like to thank you for the lovely cards, presents and good wishes given to all the staff, they were much appreciated. Having the Christmas Fayre was a lovely way to end the term with lots of fun and treats. Thank you to the Friends of Forge Wood Committee and all the willing volunteers that helped to make it such a success.

This term has got off to a great start with the children returning to school with lots of enthusiasm for their new topics, we look forward to sharing the outcomes with you over the coming weeks.

Jo Newton

Executive Headteacher

Forge Wood Development Project

We are very excited with the plans for our new building. All the preparation for the ground works are well underway and we look forward to the foundations going in very soon. We will keep you updated on our website and you can follow us on twitter. @ForgeWoodSchool



Attendance Annie Mascot

We have a special guest coming in to meet Woodpecker class on 20 January, to talk to the children about the importance of school attendance.

Certificates

We would like to congratulate the following children for achieving their Bronze certificate:

Lillie Copeland
Chloe Lewis



Thank you for all your donations towards Save the children, we have raised £21.44.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<u>January 2017</u>	
10 th	Open Morning for prospective parents 9.30am
12 th	Open Morning for prospective parents 9.30am
20 th	Attendance Annie Mascot to visit 8.30am
20 th	Handwriting workshop for parents 9.00am
26 th	Woodpecker Class Assembly 2.30pm
27 th	Chinese New Year
<u>February 2017</u>	
6 th	Safer Internet Week
10 th	Woodpecker Class' Royal Ball
20 th	Break up for half term
<u>March 2017</u>	
4 th	Family visit to the library

Was your child born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013?

If so then he or she is eligible to start school in September 2017. Apply online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions before Sunday 15th January 2017.

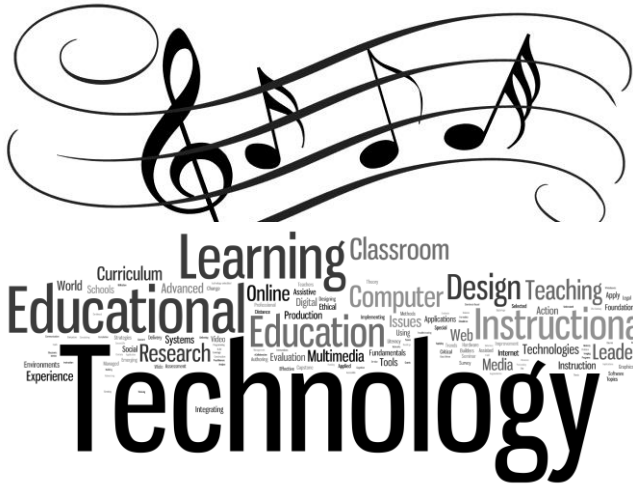
Open Mornings prospective parents 2017

We are holding open mornings on the following dates:

Tuesday 10th January 9.30am
Thursday 12th January 9.30am

Please feel free to pass this on to family and friends that may be interested.

Woodpecker Class Topics



We have an exciting half term ahead in Woodpecker class. This week we have been exploring the question 'What's that sound?' and have been working on putting on our very own musical extravaganza for Miss Newton and Mrs Holman. Next week we will become inventors, exploring technology and how it can be used, before creating our own inventions.

As January draws to a close we will immerse ourselves in a slightly longer topic; will you read me a story? There will be a storytelling assembly led by the children on Thursday 26th January at 2.30pm which parents are warmly invited to attend.



During our topic 'will you read me a story?' we would love to set up a shoe shop in our role play area. If you have any pairs of old shoes that you no longer want, in any size, please send them in. We would also be grateful for any shoe boxes.



Family visit to the library

Meg and Tom, Woodpecker class bears, are looking forward to visiting the library. We would appreciate it if you could let us know if your planning on coming to the library by making a note of this in your child's learning diary. We look forward to seeing you there.

Reading at school

During our topic 'will you read me a story?' we would love it if you would come in and read a story to the class at the end of the day. Please sign up on the list outside the classroom. Only one parent per day please! Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate siblings.



Chinese New Year



We would like to invite the children to come to school wearing something red on Friday 27th January to mark Chinese New Year. We will spend the day

exploring some Chinese customs and stories. Parent helpers welcome!

Royal Ball

Shhh! In a few weeks' time, Woodpecker class will be receiving a surprise invite to attend a Royal ball on Friday 10th February. Their best clothes (which they will change into after lunch) will be required for this special occasion.

