



SMITH'S WOOD 'SNAPSHOT' MORE THAN A SCHOOL



Welcome to the second edition of Smith's Wood 'Snapshot' 2020.

UPDATES FOR PARENTS

Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday 4th March, from 3.30pm-7.15pm. This will give all parents the opportunity to come and meet with their child's class teacher, as well as the opportunity to look at the progress in their child's books. Entry for parents is via the main school office. The Book Fair will also be available for the browsing and buying of books; as usual, this will be located in the library.

The new classrooms are now complete and it is great to see our children being taught in these new spaces. Unfortunately, during the build, the fencing along the East side of the school was damaged and it is not currently safe to reopen that walkway for the school community. The school are looking at alternative routes, which would allow access along the East side of the building, but in the meantime, this access will remain closed. We thank parents and carers for their patience and support with this matter.

PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Our pupils in Smith's Wood continue to celebrate achievements outside of the classroom. Our indoor athletics team represented the school extremely well at North Solihull Sports Centre, finishing 4th out of the schools present. The Year 3 & 4 gymnastic teams competed both on the floor and the apparatus alongside other schools. Our phenomenal Netball league team won their league games, with an astonishing 15-1 win and a 16-1 win against Fordbridge & St Antony's. The inclusive Boccia team represented the school on Thursday 27th February at John Henry Newman and worked extremely well as a team to represent the school with pride.

Both the Year 2 Maths team and the year 5 & 6 Maths team went to the finals and secured a silver medal in very challenging competitions—well done to you all, I know Mr Mills is particularly proud of Maths at Smith's Wood and the achievements of the maths teams.

PUPIL REWARDS



Smith's Wood has re-launched its house point system in order to provide more competitive challenges for pupils of all ages. Children will compete in intra-house competitions in school, along with their peers in order to earn points for their house team. These competitions will be academic based, sports based, as well as creative. Some of these competitions will take place after school, so please keep your eyes peeled for the upcoming events.

We have also launched a 'Golden Folder' for each class, where children earn reward points. Points win prizes for pupils and there are a range of rewards offered for children who are entered in the golden folder. The more points the children earn, the more rewards they will achieve.

SMITH'S WOOD ALLOTMENT

We are thrilled to have acquired a 'Smith's Wood Primary' allotment, in Castle Vale, where our children will have the chance to grow their own fruit & vegetables. Pupils from each year group will have the opportunity to tend to this allotment over the coming weeks and we are looking forward to taking pride in the fruit & vegetables that we grow ourselves.



TOP 3 CLASSES FOR ATTENDANCE THIS MONTH

1ST- 6ST (100%) 2ND- 1SG (98.5%) 3RD- 3PW (98.3%)

OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO DATE- 95.8%

TARGET- ABOVE 96%