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WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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BOOK FAIR - NEXT WEEK

Leader of English Mrs Hooper writes:

Next week, we are excited to have the Scholastic Book Fair back at school again.



The fair will run after school each day, with a wide range of books for all ages and interests. Any unused World Book Day vouchers can still be spent at the fair. Both card and cash payments accepted.

Over the past year, your generosity has enabled us to purchase over £1100 worth of new books for our school. Thank you so much for your support. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating reading together.

NON-UNIFORM DAY - NEXT FRIDAY

As we ease into the Easter holidays, the Woodridge School Association have suggested a Non-Uniform Day next Friday.

As a fundraiser for the school, we would like everyone to bring in £1 for the privilege.



HEALTHY SCHOOLS
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Y4 CLASS ASSEMBLY

This week it was Year 4's turn to tell us about what they have been learning about in school in recent weeks. They told us about their persuasive writing in English, (including a rap written by Arthur), all about the artist Rene Magritte (with their own surreal versions) and lots of facts about Ancient Greece. The assembly finished with a lusty rendition of Zero to Hero from the musical Hercules.

Thanks to Miss Badhan and the Y4 Team for putting together such an entertaining and informative assembly,

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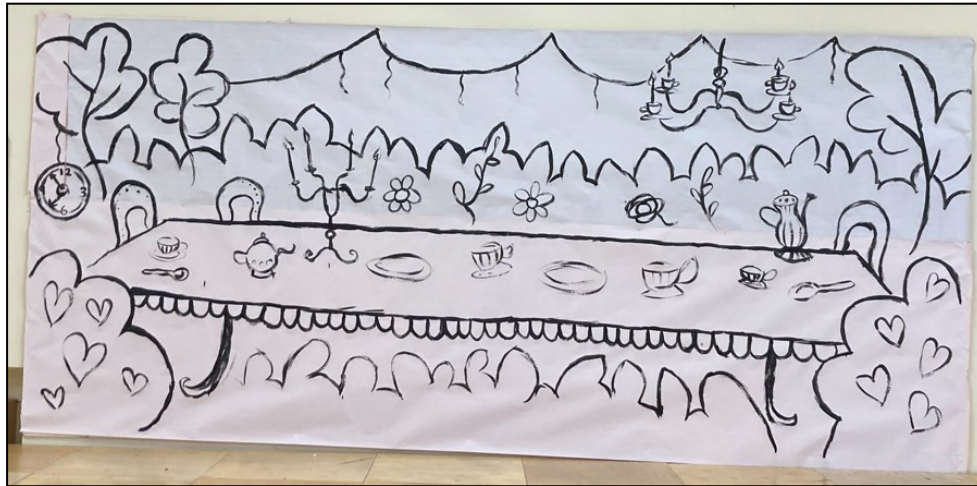
MOON ART IN YEAR 1

Last week, as part of Science Week, Year 1 did some fantastic moon art with paint and salt to make lovely lunar effects.



MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY DISPLAY

Art Leader Miss Hickman created a wonderful Mad Hatter's Tea Party backdrop in the hall. This has now been filled with all variety of hats, teapots, flamingos, tulips, cakes, clocks and playing cards. Here are 'before' and 'after' photos:



Y6 AT THE IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM

Last Friday Year 6 attended the Imperial War Museum as part of their history topic about WWII.

The class were given clapperboards, microphone props and phones to record their very own documentaries about aspects of WWII which meant a lot to them.

They had a lot of fun and learnt how to be presenters and producers.

Thanks to Mrs Norman, the Y6 Team and parent helpers on the day.

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YEAR 5 AT 'SOUND OUT'

This term in music, Year 5 have been working on musical compositions reflecting postcard designs they made. This is a project designed by the London Sinfonietta.

Yesterday Year 5 went to The Royal Festival Hall to hear the London Sinfonietta perform music inspired by the postcards. It was an interactive concert and a great way to finish the project.

Thanks to Miss McCleneghen and Ms Savournin for organising the trip.



SCHOOL ENDS AT 1.30PM NEXT FRIDAY

Just a reminder that school closes at the earlier time of 1.30pm next Friday as we break up for Easter.



GIRLS' FOOTBALL RESULT

Congratulations to the girls' football team who this week played brilliantly to end their season with a 2-0 win against St John's N20. Kelsey Y6 scored two goals, the first one a 'goal of the season' spectacular.

Thanks to Mrs Norman for giving up her time to run the team so enthusiastically.





The Woodridge Supper Quiz

Saturday 18th April at 7:30 pm

£20 per person - Max 10 people per table

**Fish & Chips included (or veggie option)
BYOB!**

Prizes:
A full year's bragging rights
A write-up in the newsletter
Medals & Chocolate



WOODRIDGE SUPPER QUIZ

The Annual WSA Woodridge Supper Quiz is back, and this year it's on a Saturday evening. So, if you want to test yourself at a gathering of Woodridge's finest minds, be sure to sign up quickly - spaces are limited! <https://forms.gle/qsHu61eU6Tiw6jRT7> .



THE BIG WALK AND WHEEL - ONE MORE WEEK

Mrs Wheatcroft writes:

We are taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 16 March- 27 March 2026. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved by walking, scooting or cycling to school on as many days as possible during the event.



All children who have a bike or scooter at school also have a chance to win a prize

EASTER RAFFLE

Mrs Norman writes:

As we run up to Easter, there will a raffle to win one of several lovely Easter Eggs.

Tickets will be on sale all week after lunch and will cost £1 per ticket. The raffle draw will take place during Friday's assembly.



WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2025-26



Below is a list of all the key events and dates for the whole of the 2025-26 year. Further dates, including class trips will be added as the year progresses with **new events/changes in red**. The term dates for **next year** (2026-2027) are in the later pages of this Newsletter.

Please note - INSET Day 4 is **MONDAY** 13th April (not a Tuesday as it stated in the last two Newsletters!) **WSA Quiz Supper night is SATURDAY 18th APRIL**.

SPRING TERM	Fri 27th Feb – Y4 to Verulamium
Mon 5 th Jan – INSET Day 3	WC 2 nd March - ARTSWEEK
Tues 6 th Jan - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Tues 3 rd March – <i>Alice in Wonderland</i> Show pm
Fri 23 rd Jan - Y4 British Museum	Thurs 5 th Mar – World Book Day
Thurs 29 th Jan – Y2 Class Assembly One	WC 9 th March – SCIENCE WEEK
Tues 3 rd Feb - Y3 Tring Museum	Thurs 12 th Mar – Y5 Class Assembly Two
Weds 4th Feb - Y6 Docklands Museum	Fri 13th Mar - Y6 to Imperial War Museum
Thurs 5th Feb – Y1 Class Assembly One	Thurs 19 th Mar – Y4 Class Assembly Two
Thurs 5th Feb – Y5 Science Museum	Thurs 19 th Mar - Y5 to Sound Out Concert
Tues 10 th Feb - Y2 Barnet Environmental Centre	Fri 20 th Mar – Y1 to Y6 Mid-Year reports home
Thurs 12 th Feb – Y3 Class Assembly Two	Weds 25 th Mar – Workshare Evening 5-7pm
WC 16th Feb – HALF TERM	Thurs 26 th Mar – Y6 Class Assembly Two
Mon 23 rd Feb - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Fri 27 th Mar – Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish
Fri 27th Feb – Y3 to Buddhist Temple Kennington	
SUMMER TERM	Thurs 25 th June – Y2 Class Assembly Two
Monday 13th April – INSET Day 4	Fri 26 th June – End of Year Reports home
Mon 4 th May – BANK HOLIDAY	Tues 30 th June - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 4.00-7.00
Weds 6 th May - Y1 Parents Phonics Mtg 9.00am	Thurs 2 nd July - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 5.00-7.30
Mon 11 th May – Y6 SATs week	Fri 3 rd July – Junior Sports Day 1.30pm
Sat 18th April - WSA Quiz Supper Night	Mon 6 th July – Junior Production Dress 1.45pm
Thurs 21 st May – Reception Class Assembly	Tues 7 th July – Infant Sports Afternoon 1.30pm
Thurs 21 st May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.30pm	Weds 8 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Thurs 21 st May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Thurs 9 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
WC 25th May – HALF TERM	Fri 10 th July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Mon 1 st June – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Tues 14 th July - Reserve Infant Sports Afternoon
Mon 8 th June – Y6 to Conover Hall	Fri 17 th July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.10am
Weds 17 th June – Y1 Class Assembly Two	Fri 17 th July - Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish

OUT OF SCHOOL SUCCESSES

Well done to the following children for achieving out of school successes:

Lily Y4 - Grade 1 Piano Merit

Arun Y5 - Bronze Award at Non-Stop Action Gymnastics

Zuri Y3 - Bronze standard 180m swimming

Aarav Y4 - Swimming 1 mile with Oakleigh Park Swimming Club



BRILLIANT LIBRARIANS

Florence and Hana in Y6 have been doing an amazing job as our librarians this year, running the checking in and out of books. Today they were awarded Librarian badges by Mrs Pavlou.



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Achievement Awards

Friday 20th March 2026

Each Friday we hold an Achievement Assembly where two children from each class are awarded a certificate for outstanding achievement in the week. These recognise hard work, great behaviour or exceptional progress, as well as our Woodridge Values.

Reception Oak	Shreya for working well in the Nature Reserve and spotting lots of things. Liam for working well in the Nature Reserve and making a great 'magic stick.'
Year 1 Willow	Daigo and Aaira for fantastic creations of a Gingerbread Man story map.
Year 2 Rowan	Lyra and Yigit for writing brilliant Twisted Tales with important messages and great characters.
Year 3 Silver Birch	Sami for a great explanation of how plants make their own food. Jana for enthusiastic participation in science activities.
Year 4 Ash	Nadav for fantastic progress in writing and a brilliant story opening. Chloe G for fantastic drumming in the Y4 class assembly.
Year 5 Lime	Megan and Khadijah for showing kindness to a family with a young child by giving up their seat on the Tube on the way back from the Sound Out concert in London.
Year 6 Maple	Shaked for hard work in English. Tamer for his emotional persuasive writing about WWII.
Value of The Month	March - Thoughtfulness

SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children for receiving certificates from Mr Mapes this week for being sporting stars:

Multisports - Nora YR, Haydar YR, Ryan Y2, Rania Y2, Gabriella YR and Alma Y1

Gym - Maya Y3 and Emily Y6



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TERM DATES 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 1 September INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 2 September First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October

Monday 3 November INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 4 November First day back for pupils
Friday 19 December Last day of term: 1.30pm finish

Please note the earlier finish times on the final day of each term.

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5 January INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 6 January First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

Monday 23 February First day back for pupils
Friday 27 March Last day of term: 1.30pm finish

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13 April INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 14 April First day back for pupils
Monday 4 May Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils

Half Term: Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

Monday 1 June First day back for pupils
Friday 17 July Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Four INSET Days – School closed to children

Monday 1st September 2025
Monday 3rd November 2025
Monday 5th January 2026
Monday 13th April 2026

(Plus Monday 4 May 2026 - Bank Holiday)

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Spring Term 2027

Tuesday 5 January INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Wednesday 6 January First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February

Monday 22 February First day back for pupils
Thursday 25 March Last day of term: 1.30pm finish

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12 April INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 13 April First day back for pupils
Monday 4 May Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils

Half Term: Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June

Monday 7 June INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 8 June First day back for pupils
Thursday 22 July Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Five INSET Days – School closed to children

Tuesday 1st September 2026
Monday 2nd November 2026
Tuesday 5th January 2027
Monday 12th April 2027
Monday 7th June 2027

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Year B (2025-26)

September	Kindness
October	Freedom
November	Understanding
December	Co-operation
January	Responsibility
February	Tolerance
March	Thoughtfulness
April	Perseverance
May	Compassion
June	Courtesy
July	Humility

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Our strategic objectives

1

Through quality teaching and learning, to improve outcomes for all children by building a culture of achievement through progress across the curriculum.

2

To extend the Woodridge curriculum to create wider opportunities for all children to develop their skills and talents.

3

To develop sustainable, high quality and accountable leadership at all levels throughout the school.

4

To work in partnership with other schools, parents and the wider school community to enrich our school.

Top Primary Schools in London

1. Thomas Jones Primary School, Kensington and Chelsea – Regional 1 / National 1 Primary School of the Year in London
2. Hampden Gurney CofE Primary School, Westminster – Regional 2 / National 5
3. St Andrew's RC Primary School, Streatham, Lambeth – Regional 3 / National 6
4. Courtland School, Barnet – Regional 4 / National 7
5. Christ Church Bentinck CofE Primary School, Westminster – Regional 5 / National 8
6. Cleves Primary School, East Ham, Newham – Regional 6 / National 11
7. Merton Park Primary School, Merton – Regional 7 / National 13
8. Hampstead Parochial CofE Primary School, Camden – Regional 8 / National 14=
9. Woodridge Primary School, Barnet – Regional 9 / National 16
10. Fox Primary School, Kensington and Chelsea – Regional 10 / National 17

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