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WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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THE ALLOTMENT NEEDS YOU!

The Woodridge Allotment is under way and it needs you!

THE ALLOTMENT

Miss McCleneghen and Year 5 have been planting our first donations of plants and seeds in beds created by Mr. Dingivan. We would be very grateful for donations of seeds of any varieties (flowers, plants, fruit or vegetable) to help us continue to build on this exciting project.



Our aim is for all Woodridge children to learn gardening skills and understand the value of maintaining a garden/allotment not just for our school, but for the planet.

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LOOKING FOR GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS

Have you ever thought about becoming a school governor? A letter sent was sent out last week via ParentMail about two vacancies.



With upcoming changes to the leadership team, now would be the perfect time to build on recent successes and help the school to go from strength to strength. To find out more about what's involved and what you might offer just send a message to chair@woodridge.barnet.sch.uk

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AT WOODRIDGE!

Congratulations to two members of staff who in the last three weeks have both clocked up 25 years service at Woodridge - Mrs Wheatcroft and Mrs Wells. A big thank you to both – amazing!

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Gold level accreditation

YEAR 1 ART DAY

Miss Hickman writes: Today, Year 1 had an Art Day. The class learnt about American artist Georgia O'Keeffe whose most famous paintings and drawings involved those of flowers, rocks, shells, animal bones and landscapes.

In groups, we looked at various images and discussed what we noticed about her work. We talked about what shapes we can see and how they have different textures. We talked about how most of the drawings are large and are close ups. We discussed warm and cold colours.



Orsi Productions presents...



Roald Dahl's
Charlie
and the
Chocolate Factory
The Musical

27th May - 7pm
28th May - 7pm
29th May - 2pm & 7pm
30th May - 12pm & 5pm

Tickets £15

At The Halo Theatre, Southgate, N14 5PP

07538 757534
bookings@orsiproductions.co.uk

WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2025-26

Below is a list of all the key events and dates for the Summer Term. Further dates, including class trips will be added as the term progresses with **new events/changes in red**.



SUMMER TERM	Fri 12th June - Neal Zetter Poetry Slam Day
Monday 13th April – INSET Day 4	Tues 16th June – Y5 at the Barnet Music Festival
Sat 18th April - WSA Quiz Supper Night	Weds 17 th June – Y1 Class Assembly Two
Weds 29th April - Y5 Secondary Transfer Mtg 7pm	Thurs 25 th June – Y2 Class Assembly Two
Mon 4 th May – BANK HOLIDAY	Fri 26 th June – End of Year Reports home
Weds 6 th May - Y1 Parents Phonics Mtg 9.00am	Tues 30 th June - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 4.00-7.00
Mon 11 th May – Y6 SATs week	Thurs 2 nd July - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 5.00-7.30
Tues 12th May - YR to Bekonscot	Fri 3 rd July – Junior Sports Day 1.30pm
Tues 19th May - Y3 to Kew Gardens	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
Fri 5th June – Class Photo Day	Fri 17 th July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.10am
Mon 8 th June – Y6 to Condoover Hall	Fri 17 th July - Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish

SWIMMING SUCCESS

Well done to Emelyn Y1 for achieving her 25 metre swimming certificate through STA.



B-TEAM FOOTBALL MATCH

Last Friday, the B-Team played their first match of the season against Brookland Juniors. It was the first time the team had played together beyond their training.



They played really well as a team both in defence and attack, but ended up losing 9-0 to a very strong Brookland's side.

Well done team, for being great representatives of the school and thanks to Mr Mapes as ever.



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STARS OF THE WEEK!

Achievement Awards

Friday 8th May 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	Honoka for showing good listening and counting skills when she was hunting for tiny things in the garden. Theo for making great progress with phonic skills using them brilliantly for both reading and writing.
Year 1 Willow	Mohammed for working really hard at improving his maths work, correctly finding half a shape. Joshua for trying so hard with his writing by using joining words and clauses.
Year 2 Rowan	Noémie for showing bravery and resilience during a maths challenge this week. Maral for your excellent instructions in English this week- you always try your very best.
Year 3 Silver Birch	All of Year 3 for having a fantastic two weeks of swimming, working together and helping each other.
Year 4 Ash	Lily and Ezra for always working brilliantly with their partner showing excellent teamwork, kindness, respect and encouragement and always trying their best.
Year 5 Lime	Orla for always presenting her work beautifully and persevering with writing challenges - calmly and with humour. Yugo for improved handwriting and for an engaging, quirky sonnet which he enjoyed writing.
Year 6 Maple	All of Year 6 for their fantastic work when revising for their SAT's: asking for help, challenging themselves and supporting their peers.
Value of The Month	May - Compassion

SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Multisports - Ben YR, Benjamin YR, Adrina Y1, Emily Y2 and Leah Y1

Gym - Thomas Y5 and Matilda Y4



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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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Friday 18 December Last day of term: 1.30pm finish

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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 3 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

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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

Woodridge Vision 60

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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