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WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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'COOL OUR SCHOOL' UPDATE!

As mentioned in our last school newsletter of the year in July, we raised a staggering £24,132 towards putting air conditioning units in our classrooms. We have already started the procurement process and been in contact with several firms, who will be providing quotes in the next few weeks. We are then hoping to get the work completed as soon as possible. We will keep you updated as the work progresses!



UNIFORM

A big thank you to parents for all your support with ensuring children have the correct uniform for the start of the new school year—everyone is looking very smart!

MACMILLAN CAKE SALE

On Friday 25th September, from 3:20pm, Woodridge will be holding a cake sale. We are raising money to support the charity, Macmillan. If you are able to bring in cakes for us to sell, please make sure to include the packaging or a list of ingredients (Having large cakes pre-cut is also very helpful!)

LEGO DONATIONS

Lego is very popular at Woodridge for creative activities, Wider Woodridge and at Breakfast and After School Club. If you have any spare Lego at home that you are able to donate to the school, we would be very grateful!



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The Woodridge Allotment Needs You!

Woodridge Allotment is continuing to grow this year with more raised beds being built, a mini-greenhouse on site to raise new plants and ambitious plans for future developments. So that we can continue to grow the space and make it an amazing learning environment for the whole school, we need donations.

At the moment, we are asking for:

- gardening tools/sets for children
- children's gardening gloves
- compost



Children will be able to drop small gloves and tools in a box on the table outside the School Office. If you have compost to donate, please email me via the Office so that we can arrange a drop off date/time.

Thank you so much in advance!

Ms McCleneghen

WAITROSE

To further support our allotment project, Waitrose in North Finchley have kindly agreed to include Woodridge in their Green Token Scheme from October-December 2026. They have 3 boxes that customers can put a green token into. One of these, will be for Woodridge's Allotment Project. If we receive the most green counters in our box, Waitrose will donate £1500 to the school.

If you are able to get to Waitrose, North Finchley and add a token to our box, we would really appreciate the support.!



IMPORTANT LINKS:

School Term Dates: [Woodridge Primary School - Term Dates](#)

Woodridge Values Cycle: [Woodridge Primary School - Values Based Education](#)

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Achievement Awards

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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	No certificates for Reception this week.
Year 1 Willow	Liam for correctly using the terms, 'more than' less than and equals to. Lottie for writing labels for different objects around the classroom.
Year 2 Rowan	Summer for your fantastic 'Monster labelling' in English. You thought of so many interesting adjectives! Liam for your super sentences using nouns, verbs and adjectives-well done!
Year 3 Silver Birch	Ella for extra effort with her work and focus. Ayaz for lots of interesting contributions to our science topic this week.
Year 4 Ash	Ernest for always showing kindness and care towards others. You are thoughtful and caring and this makes our classroom a happier place. Noa for always putting up your hand and showing great enthusiasm to share your ideas and contribute to class discussions.
Year 5 Lime	Sadie for showing emotional maturity and kindness when playing with her friends. Mahi for showing an excellent understanding of complex vocabulary and for writing engaging and thoughtful figurative phrases.
Year 6 Maple	Noor and Tom for trying really hard and showing good reasoning in Maths.
Value of The Month	September - Respect 

SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

George Year 1
Kira Year 1
Joshua Year 2
Adam Year 4
Jude Year 5



WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2026-27

Below is the list for your diaries/fridge of all the key events and dates for the whole of the 2026-27 year.
New dates, including class trips ,have been added in RED.

AUTUMN TERM	
Fri 25 th Sept – Macmillan Cake Sale	Mon 16 th Nov – Year 4 to Gudwara
Weds 29 th Sept – Year 4 to Bank of England	Tues 17 th Nov – Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Thurs 1 st Oct – Year 6 to Henry Moore Studio	Thurs 19 th Nov – Y5 Class Assembly (1)
Fri 9 th Oct - World Mental Health Day	Thurs 19 th Nov – Parents' Evening 4.30-7.30pm
Fri 9 th Oct – Flu Vaccines (Day 2 – 9 th Dec)	Thurs 26 th Nov – Y3 Class Assembly (1)
Tues 13 th Oct – Individual Photographs	Thurs 3 rd Dec – Y6 Class Assembly (1)
Mon 19 th Oct –Maths Week	Mon 7 th Dec – Inf Production Dress 2pm
WC 26 th Oct – HALF TERM	Weds 9 th Dec – Inf Production Perf 2pm
Mon 2 nd Nov – INSET Day 2	Thurs 10 th Dec – Inf Production Perf 9.30am
Thurs 5 th Nov – Y2 & Y5 Singalong	Mon 14 th Dec – Aladdin Panto 1.30pm
Thurs 12 th Nov – Y4 Class Assembly (1)	Fri 18 th Dec – Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)
Mon 16 th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week	
SPRING TERM	
Tues 5 th Jan – INSET Day 3	Weds 10 th Mar – Spark 2 Workshops
Thurs 28 th Jan – Y2 Class Assembly (1)	Thurs 11 th Mar – Y5 Class Assembly (2)
Thurs 4 th Feb – Y1 Class Assembly (1)	Thurs 18 th Mar – Y4 Class Assembly (2)
Thurs 11 th Feb – Y6 Class Assembly (2)	Fri 19 th Mar – Y1 to Y6 reports to parents
WC 15 th Feb – HALF TERM	Tues 23 rd Mar – Workshare Evening 5-7pm
Mon 22 nd Feb - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Thurs 25 th Mar – Y3 Class Assembly (2)
Fri 5 th Mar – Woodridge World Book Day	Thurs 25 th Mar – Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)
WC 8 th March – SCIENCE WEEK	
SUMMER TERM	
Mon 12 th Apr – INSET Day 4	Thurs 24 th June – Y1 Class Assembly (2)
Thurs 22 nd Apr – Year 5 Secondary Transfer Mtg	Tues 29 th June – Infant Sports Afternoon 1.30pm
Mon 3 rd May – BANK HOLIDAY	Fri 2 nd July – Introduce the New Teacher 11.45am
Tues 4 th May - Y1 Phonics Mtg 9.10am	Fri 2 nd July – Junior Sports Day 1.15pm
Mon 10 th May – Y6 SATs week	Fri 2 nd July – End of Year Reports sent home
Tues 18 th May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.30pm	WC 5 th July – ARTS WEEK
Thurs 20 th May – Reception Class Assembly	Mon 5 th July – Treasure Island Performance
Thurs 27-28 th May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Tues 6 th July - Reserve Infant Sports Afternoon
WC 31 st May – HALF TERM	Tues 6 th July - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 4.00-6.30pm
Mon 7 th June – INSET Day 5	Thurs 8 th July-Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 5.00-7.30pm
WC Mon 7 th June – Y4 Tables Check (2 weeks)	Tues 13 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Mon 14 th June – Y6 to Condover Hall	Thurs 15 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Mon 14 th June – Year 1 Phonics Check (1 week)	Fri 16 th July – Meet the New Teacher' 11-12
Weds 17 th June – Y2 Class Assembly (2)	Fri 16 th July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Tues 22 nd June–Recep Celebration Event 9-10am	Weds 21 st July – Infant Singalong 9.10am
Weds 23 rd June – Recep Celebration Event 2-3pm	Thurs 22 nd July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 24 th June – Sept '27 Reception Mtg 6.30pm	Thurs 22 nd July - Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)

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TERM DATES 2026-2027



Autumn Term 2026

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

Half Term: Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October

Monday 2 November **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Tuesday 3 November **First day back for pupils**
Friday 18 December **Last day of term: 1.30pm finish**

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

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

(Plus Monday 3 May 2027 - Bank Holiday)

Please do not book holidays during term time. Fixed penalties fines from August will now be £80 per child, per parent.



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Wednesday 1 September **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Thursday 2 September **First day back for pupils**

Half Term: Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October

Monday 1 November **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Tuesday 2 November **First day back for pupils**
Friday 17 December **Last day of term: 1.30pm finish**

Spring Term 2028

Tuesday 4 January **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Wednesday 5 January **First day back for pupils**

Half Term: Monday 14 February – Friday 18 February

Monday 21 February **First day back for pupils**
Thursday 31 March **Last day of term: 1.30pm finish**

Summer Term 2028

Tuesday 18 April **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Wednesday 19 April **First day back for pupils**
Monday 1 May **Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils**

Half Term: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Monday 5 June **INSET Day: School closed for pupils**
Tuesday 6 June **First day back for pupils**
Friday 21 July **Last day of term 1.30pm finish**

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Monday 1st November 2027
Tuesday 4th January 2028
Tuesday 18th April 2028
Monday 5th June 2028

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