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WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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NEW BENCH FOR THE INFANTS

Last academic year, Year 6 raised money by holding an Enterprise Fair. At the end of the year, they decided to donate a portion of the money raised to go towards buying a new bench for the Infant playground for the children to use for many years to come! Well done and thank you Year 6 2025-26 – we hope you are all settled into your new secondary schools!



SCHOOL TRIPS

School trips are beginning to take place from next week, with Year 4 visiting the Bank of England, Year 6 going to a sculpture workshop at the Henry Moore Studios and Year 3 off to the Nature Reserve for their instructional writing. As always, thank you for all your support with these trips—we always have a lot of volunteers and unfortunately can't take everyone, but children gain a huge amount from these out of school learning experiences.

MACMILLAN CAKE SALE

Thank you for all your amazing cake baking (and buying!) for our Macmillan cake sale today. We will let you know how much we raised next week.

We have a few cakes left over so they are going in the fridge over the weekend. These will be sold on Monday after school.



Artsmark
Silver Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



HEALTHY SCHOOLS
LONDON



stars
Gold level accreditation

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

We would like to remind all families of the importance of regular and punctual school attendance. Every school day counts, and good attendance plays an important part in supporting children's learning, progress and wellbeing.

Where possible, please arrange medical, dental and other appointments outside of school hours. If an appointment during the school day is unavoidable, a reminder to please email the School Office with the relevant appointment information.

We ask that families do not book holidays during term time. Government guidance states that holidays during term time will not be considered an exceptional circumstance. Requests for leave of absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances, and appropriate evidence will be required to support the request.

Unauthorised term-time holidays and other unauthorised absences can result in a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) being issued. Under the current national framework:

- A first FPN is £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days, increasing to £160 if paid within 28 days
- A second FPN for the same child within a three-year period is £160 per parent, per child, with no reduced rate
- Where there are further instances of unauthorised absence within the relevant three-year period, the matter may be referred for further legal action rather than another FPN

Fixed Penalty Notices can now be considered for any amount of days if linked to a school holiday. Penalty Notices may also be considered when a child reaches 10 sessions (usually five school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school-week period.



We appreciate your support in ensuring that children attend school every day and on time, helping them to make the most of every learning opportunity.

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	Reception are still settling into their new class and haven't yet joined our Achievement Assemblies.
Year 1 Willow	Amba for writing amazing labels of what a good friend is like. Anna-belle for showing the Woodridge Values of responsibility and thoughtfulness at all times by putting back items where they belong.
Year 2 Rowan	Esmé for your fantastic description writing in both English tasks and homework this week. Haruto for your amazing work in Maths-you embrace every challenge and go the extra mile!
Year 3 Silver Birch	Reuben for working hard to show off all of his knowledge and trying his best in lessons. Noémie for trying really hard with her Maths and for persevering when it gets hard! Keep it up.
Year 4 Ash	Karina and Anish for clearly explaining their reasoning and confidently using mathematical vocabulary during our Maths learning this week.
Year 5 Lime	Adam and Ayaka for writing engaging and effective character and setting descriptions using great imagery and vocabulary.
Year 6 Maple	Alara and Aishini for always putting in 100% effort in all lessons
Value of The Month	September - Respect

Vision 60 OBJ 2

SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Arin Y1

Tom Y2

Haruto Y2

Noa Y4



OUTSIDE SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Congratulations to Alma Year 2 for achieving her red and amber swimming awards (25 metres)

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	Thurs 12th Nov – Year 5 to British Museum
Fri 25 th Sept – Macmillan Cake Sale	Mon 16 th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week
Weds 29th Sept – Year 4 to Bank of England	Mon 16th Nov – Year 4 to Gudwara
Thurs 1st Oct – Year 6 to Henry Moore Studio	Tues 17 th Nov – Parents' Evening 4.00-6.30pm
Fri 2nd Oct – Year 3 to Nature Reserve	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)
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)	Mon 17th May – Year 6 to Houses of Parliament
Thurs 11 th Feb – Y6 Class Assembly (2)	Thurs 18 th Mar – Y4 Class Assembly (2)
WC 15 th Feb – HALF TERM	Fri 19 th Mar – Y1 to Y6 reports to parents
Mon 22 nd Feb - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Tues 23 rd Mar – Workshare Evening 5-7pm
Fri 5 th Mar – Woodridge World Book Day	Thurs 25 th Mar – Y3 Class Assembly (2)
WC 8 th March – SCIENCE WEEK	Thurs 25 th Mar – Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)
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 31st 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)

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TERM DATES 2027-2028



Autumn Term 2027

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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