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WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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ARTSWEEK & WORLD BOOK DAY

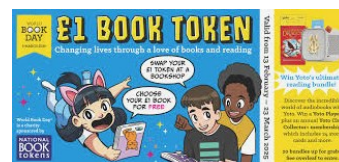
This week, we have had visitors in assembly, a whole school show, some floor art and other arts based activities. More about those in next week's Newsletter.



On Thursday it was World Book Day. Which started with a special assembly. It was great to see so many children dressing to 'Read their Way' or in book character outfits. Thanks parents for all your efforts with this.



After a quick show of hands in assembly, it seems that only about a quarter of the children in the school have spent their World Book Day token. These were handed out before half term. Don't forget to use it - and get a free book!



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FOOTBALL

Last Friday the A Team played Foulds at home in the second place play-off in the league.

It was a great performance by the team, with great passing, flowing football and lots of Woodridge goals.

Woodridge were worthy 8-1 winners on the day.

Scorers - Jacob Y6: 3, Sebi Y5: 2, Jamie Y5: 2, Bodhi Y6:1



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Thanks, as ever, to Mr Mapes and to the home supporters.

WOODRIDGE SCHOOL STREET PROPOSAL

If you are local resident, you should have received consultation information from Barnet about a proposal to make the top of Southover (from the junction with Arlington) a School Street. This consultation is likely to take a few months.

If this is agreed, it will make the part of Southover in front of the school, a 'pedestrian and cycles only' road during an hour in the morning during drop off and an hour at home time. A new ANPR camera would be placed at the junction with Arlington to enforce this.

This would make the road outside the school much safer than it currently is.

Residents at the top of Southover (and school staff) would be allowed permits to enter at those times, although staff are likely to already be in school at those times.

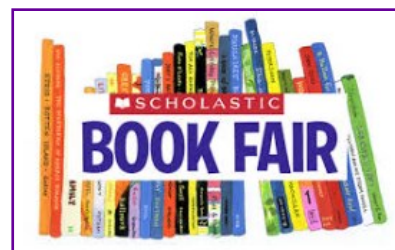
You will have seen many Barnet schools who already have this scheme in place.

Here's the engagement link to access more information and for you to complete a questionnaire. <https://www.engage.barnet.gov.uk/woodridge-primary-school-street>



COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

We will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair all week, starting 24th March. There will be lots of new books to buy, with a percentage also going to the school.



It will be open after school each day 3.25-3.45pm and also at the Workshare Evening on Wednesday 26th March. Y5 and Y6 children can bring money to school to buy books that week if they are independent travellers.

Parents please come and visit the Book Fair with your child and buy a book.

PRIMARY MATHS CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Anoushka, Daniel and Ezra, all in Year 6, for achieving a Bronze Award in the bonus round of the Primary Maths Challenge.



MUSIC SUCCESSES

In Artsweek, it is lovely to celebrate two musical successes.



Sienna in Y2 achieved a Trinity Grade 1 singing award.

Noah in Y4 had a triple of awards at the Watford Music Festival. He was awarded first place in the Guitar Grade 2 category, second place in the piano siblings category and third place in the piano Grade 4 category.



Y3 & Y4 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

This week was the first outing for a team of Y3 and Y4 footballers who played in a tournament at Powerleague.

They were in a group of 6 teams. The Woodridge team won 1 game, drew 2 and lost 2, playing in a positive spirit and showing much potential. Well done team.



Thanks to Mr Mapes for organising and to the parent drivers on the day.

WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2024-25

Please note:

- Monday 2nd June is NOT an INSET Day - pupils need to be in school that day

SPRING TERM	WC 10 th March – SCIENCE WEEK
Mon 6 th Jan – INSET Day 3	Thurs 13 th Mar – Y6 Class Assembly
Thurs 23 rd Jan – Y1 Class Assembly	Thurs 20 th Mar – Y5 Class Assembly
Weds 29 th Jan - Y6 to London Central Mosque	Fri 21 st Mar – Y1 to Y6 reports to parents
Thurs 30 th Jan – Y2 Class Assembly	Fri 25 th Mar - School Council Enterprise Day
Thurs 13 th Feb – Y4 Class Assembly	Weds 26 th Mar – Workshare Evening 4.30-6.30pm
Fri 14 th Feb - WSA Non-uniform Day	Thurs 27 th Mar – Y3 Class Assembly
WC 17 th Feb – HALF TERM	Fri 28 th Mar - Y5 to <i>Sound Out</i> Concert
Mon 24 th Feb – INSET Day 4	Tues 1 st April – BEAT @ Royal Albert Hall + Y6
WC 3 rd March - ARTSWEEK	Thurs 3 rd April – Spanish Assembly
Tues 4 th March – ‘Pinocchio’ Show pm	Fri 4 th April – Last Day of Term (Finish 2.30pm)
Thurs 6 th Mar – World Book Day	
SUMMER TERM	Weds 25 th June – Sept '25 Reception Mtg 6.30pm
Tues 22 nd April – INSET Day 5	Thurs 26 th June – Y2 Class Assembly
WC 28 th April - Y3 Swimming Wv 1	Thurs 3 rd July – Spanish Assembly 9.10am
Mon 5 th May – BANK HOLIDAY	Fri 4 th July – Y1-Y6 Short Reports sent home
WC 6 th May - Y3 Swimming Wk 2	Tues 8 th July – Infant Sports Afternoon 1.30pm
Thurs 8 th May - Y1 Phonics Mtg 9.00am	Tues 8 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4-6.30pm
Thurs 22 nd May – Reception Class Assembly	Thurs 10 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4.30-8.00
Weds 21 st May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.30pm	Fri 11 th July – Junior Sports Day 1.30pm
Thurs 22 nd May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Mon 14 th July – Junior Production Dress 2pm
WC 27 th May – HALF TERM	Tues 15 th July - Reserve Infant Sports Morning
Mon 2 nd June – Term starts for children	Weds 16 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
WC Mon 2 nd June – Y4 Tables Check (2 weeks)	Thurs 17 th July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Mon 9 th June – Y6 to Condoover Hall	Fri 18 th July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Weds 18 th June – Y6 to Young Citizens	Tues 22 nd July - Last Day of Term (Finish 2.30pm)
Thurs 19 th June – Y1 Class Assembly	

WSA QUIZ NIGHT

Save the date!

The brilliant WSA Quiz Supper evening will be on **Sunday 27th April**.

More details to follow.



SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Gym - Aarav Y3 and Ezra Y6
 Multisports - Jana Y2, Mohamed Ilyas YR
 Oscar YR and Eva Y1



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TERM DATES 2024-2025

Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2 September
Tuesday 3 September

INSET Day: School closed for pupils
First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

Monday 4 November
Tuesday 5 November
Friday 20 December

INSET Day: School closed for pupils
First day back for pupils
Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

Spring Term 2025

Monday 6 January
Tuesday 7 January

INSET Day: School closed for pupils
First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

Monday 24 February
Tuesday 25th February
Friday 4 April

INSET Day: School Closed for pupils
First day back for pupils
Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22 April
Wednesday 23 April
Monday 5 May

INSET Day: School closed for pupils
First day back for pupils
Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils

Half Term: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Monday 2 June
Tuesday 22 July

First day back for pupils
Last day of term 2.30pm finish

Five INSET Days – School closed to children

Monday 2 September 2024
Monday 4 November 2024
Monday 6 January 2025
Monday 24 February 2025
Tuesday 22 April 2025

(Plus Monday 5 May 2024 - 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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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: 2.30pm finish

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: 2.30pm 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 2.30pm 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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Woodridge Primary School Value Cycle

Year A (2024-25)

September	Respect
October	Unity
November	Friendship
December	Peace
January	Honesty
February	Resilience
March	Hope
April	Love
May	Empathy
June	Courage
July	Trust



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.