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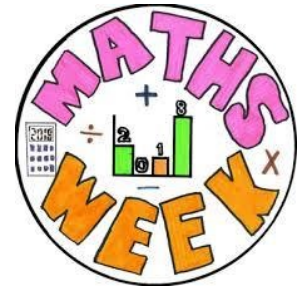
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MATHS WEEK - NEXT WEEK

Maths Leader Mrs Norman writes:

Next week is **Woodridge Maths Week**. The aim of the week is to show children the fun in maths!



Our Maths Ambassadors will be taking around a jar filled with counters to the classes each day. For 50p the children can estimate the weight of the counters (and jar). We will weigh the jar in Friday's assembly and the closest estimate wins a prize! The money raised will be going towards paying for some new maths' resources for our school.

On Tuesday, we have a School Escape Room workshop for every class, which involves trying to answer maths questions to crack an escape code. There is a voluntary contribution of £3.20 per child. Please logon to Parentmail for this.

We are having another maths-themed cake competition - cupcakes or a whole cake in the style of something to do with maths. All cakes need to be in by 9am on Friday, so that maths ambassadors can judge them before our Celebration Assembly.

We do not have very much spare fridge space so if you have a cooler bag for cakes that would be very helpful. Any containers or bags clearly labelled please!

THE SUMMER FETE & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday 30th June is the date of the amazing WSA Woodridge Summer Fete and Silent Auction.



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WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK - NEXT WEEK

It is our annual Walk to School Week next week.

This year's challenge, '**The Magic of Walking**' encourages children to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various magical beings along the way, they will learn about the important reasons to walk or wheel and its benefits for individuals, communities and the planet!



We have two activities running during week;

- A **Walker Breakfast** - On Wednesday 22nd May when we will reward all those who walk, cycle, scoot or park and stride for at least 10 minutes with a healthy snack.
- **Walking Diaries** –These were handed out today. Please have a look at them over the weekend and then complete the activity each day. The diaries encourage the children to look around them as they walk and record the different things they can see or hear. They can bring these to school on Friday 24th May and we will display some and give out 3 prizes per class for the best ones.

For more information on Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, please visit www.livingstreets.org.uk

YEAR 4 COLLAGE WORKSHOP

As part of their Art work, Year 4 took part in a collage workshop this week. Inspired by Gustav Klimt, one of the WPS Blue Sky Thinkers.

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LOUISE ROSS - CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

After 10 years as a Woodridge governor, the last 6 years as Chair, Louise Ross steps down to become an Associate Governor from this week. Louise, a former Woodridge parent, has been an outstanding Chair of Governors at Woodridge, and has also supported other governing bodies in local schools. We thank her for her dedication to and hard work in a very demanding voluntary role. From Monday, Vice Chair of Governors, Keith Hill MBE, steps up into the Chair of Governors role. Keith, a former headteacher, has been a governor at Woodridge since 2012 and also supports other governing bodies in Barnet where needed.

Thank You
For Your Dedication
And Hard Work

Governors

DISTRICT SPORTS

We didn't have a Friday Celebration Assembly last week, so today in assembly we were able to give our athletics competitors the applause they deserved.

Overall the Woodridge team came 3rd out of 12 schools, most of the other teams being two or three form entry schools. We were also able to celebrate our first major trophy in a decade, the team having won the Tri-Golf event. This involved putting, chipping and driving. Here are photos of the whole athletics squad and the Tri-Golf team with their handsome shield. Thanks again to a very proud Mr Mapes.



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The Tri-Golf Team

WELL DONE YEAR 6

Congratulations to Year 6 for completing SPAG, Spelling, Reading and three maths SATs papers this week. It's been a hard slog, but you made it. Unusually, we had 100% attendance every day with no illness. Brilliant.

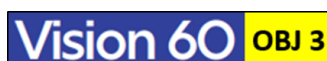
Y6 SATs

Thanks to Mrs Hooper, Mrs Guarneri, Mrs Scott and Mrs Pavlou for all their support this week.

THE WIDERNESSE CAFE

On Fridays, from 3.00pm, The Widerness Café is open, led and run by pupils in Year 6 as part of Wider Woodridge.

Next Friday, the Crew will be selling Maths Week-themed cakes.



TERM DATES FOR 2024-25

On the later pages of this Newsletter are the term dates for 2024-2025. Please do not book holidays or trips during term time.



UPDATED KEY DATES, EVENTS AND TRIPS

For your diaries - below is the updated key dates, events and trips list. **Newer events are in red.** **Please note date change of Y1 trip to Barnet Museum.

WPS KEY DATES/EVENTS FOR 2023-24



SUMMER TERM	Tues 4 th June – Y1 Phonics Check Week
Mon 15 th April – INSET Day 4	Tues 4 th June – Y4 Tables Check Week
Tues 30th April – Reception Class Assembly	Mon 10 th June – Y6 to Condover Hall
Tues 30 th April - Y1 to Hertfordshire Zoo	Mon 17 th June – Y5 at Barnet Music Festival
Mon 6 th May – BANK HOLIDAY	Tues 18 th June – Y1 Class Assembly
Tues 7th May - Y2 to Barnet Environmental Centre	Tues 25 th June – Y2 Class Assembly
Tues 7th May - Y5 to Music Festival rehearsal pm	**Tues 25th June - Y1 to Barnet Museum
Weds 8th May - Cophall Athletics	Thurs 4th July – Y2 Roald Dahl Museum
Fri 10th May - Class Photo Day	Fri 5 th July – Y1-Y6 Short Reports sent home
Mon 13 th May – Y6 SATs week	Tues 9 th July – Infant Sports Morning
Tues 14th May - Y5 Secondary Transfer Zoom 7pm	Tues 9 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4-6.30pm
Fri 17 th May – Red Nose Day	Thurs 11 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4.30-8.00
Mon 20 th May – Walk to School Week	Fri 12 th July – Junior Sports Day pm
Mon 20th May - Woodridge Maths Week	Mon 15 th July – Junior Production Dress 2.00pm
Tues 21 st May – Y1 Phonics Parents' Mtg 9.00am	Tues 16 th July - Reserve Infant Sports Morning
Weds 22 nd May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.20pm	Tues 16 th July – Junior Production Perf 7.00pm
Thurs 23 rd May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Weds 17 th July – Junior Production Perf 7.00pm
Fri 24th May – Y3 to Kew Gardens	Fri 19 th July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
WC 27th May – HALF TERM	Tues 23rd July - Y6 Farewell Assembly 9.10am
Mon 3 rd June – INSET day 5	Weds 24 th July – Last day of term 2.30pm

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Achievement Awards

Friday 17th May 2024

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	Hugo for careful and imaginative creative work. Emily for showing a growing confidence with writing and reading.
Year 1 Willow	Abdullah and Sana for creating beautiful artwork in the style of Georgia O Keeffe.
Year 2 Rowan	Jude for working so hard on his handwriting and presentation-your English book is star quality! Ayaka for being such a kind and hard-working member of Year 2-we are so happy you've joined us.
Year 3 Silver Birch	Afra and Sasha for great letter writing skills and fantastic fraction knowledge.
Year 4 Ash	Termeh for her excellent diary entry planning. Anya for her fantastic diary entry writing.
Year 5 Lime	Ezra for always taking part in class discussions, offering accurate and interesting comments in all subjects. Shalev for excellent attention during lessons and a positive attitude to learning.
Year 6 Maple	All of Year 6 for being amazing as you completed your SATs this week! We are so proud of you!
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 - Aum Y2, Emily YR, Arjun Y1 and Akira YR
Gym - Molly Y6 and Amelia Y5



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TERM DATES 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 4 September INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 5 September First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October

Monday 30 October INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 31 October First day back for pupils
Thursday 21 December Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

Spring Term 2024

Monday 8 January INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 9 January First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Monday 19 February First day back for pupils
Thursday 28 March Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

Summer Term 2024

Monday 15 April INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 16 April First day back for pupils
Monday 6 May Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils

Half Term: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Monday 3 June INSET Day: School closed for pupils
Tuesday 4 June First day back for pupils
Wednesday 24 July Last day of term 2.30pm finish

Five INSET Days – School closed to children

Monday 4 September 2023
Monday 30 October 2023
Monday 8 January 2024
Monday 15 April 2024
Monday 3 June 2024

(Plus Monday 6 May 2024 - Bank Holiday)



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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
Monday 22 April 2025

(Plus Monday 5 May 2024 - Bank Holiday)





Woodridge Primary School Value Cycle



Year B (2023-2024)

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.