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WPS NEWSLETTER

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GATE-GATE

Our trial of the new one-way system into the infant playground hasn't worked at all. We got that one wrong and created more problems than we solved. Apologies for it being such a messy start to the week and for your feedback, aka *Gate-gate*.



We have already gone back to the original one gate system and will also ensure that classes are met and go in from 8.55am, which is the official start to the day.

WOODRIDGE TOP OF THE LEAGUE

The Woodridge mixed football completed an **unbeaten** record of league wins this week by beating All Saints N20 3-1 at home.



This means Woodridge have won their mini league and go through to a 'semi final' in a few weeks. Scorers: Elmir Y6, Jacob Y5 and Kaylan Y6. Brilliant. Well done team and Mr Mapes. The team are still in the Dick Bailey Cup and the Central Cup...so the treble is still on! (*See also photos on page 3*)

Mixed Team Results so far
Woodridge 3-2 Akiva (DBC)
Woodridge 7-3 Underhill (L)
Woodridge 4-1 All Saints N20 (CC)
Woodridge 6-1 Sacred Heart (L)
Woodridge 4-2 St John's (DBC)
Woodridge 3-1 All Saints N20 (L)

THE WSA QUIZ SUPPER - DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The amazing WSA Quiz Supper will be taking place on Sunday 17th March at 7.30pm.



This is usually a packed out, good-humouredly competitive event and one of the year's biggest fundraisers. Book early to avoid disappointment! More details to follow.



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Y2 CLASS ASSEMBLY

Year 2 presented a lovely class assembly this week, where they told everyone about Growth Mindsets and the Power of Yet (see also page 3), acted out receiving change from a shop purchase and bombarded us with a huge number of facts about the different continents. Thanks parents for supporting this and to Mrs Baikie and the Year 2 team.



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NEW FOOTBALL KIT AND NEW WPS SPONSOR

Many thanks to parent governor Parul Dattani (pictured below left) and CGI Inc. where she works, who have sponsored and paid for a double set of football shirts, shorts and socks for the football team, worth £498. Brilliant. Thank you.



*Left - the team in their new shirts
Above - after winning their mini league.*

GOVERNOR CURRICULUM VISITS

Over the last few weeks, some of our governors have been visiting school and asking children about their learning in specific subjects - so far RE, English, PE, PSHE and computing. It is great to have such committed governors at Woodridge.



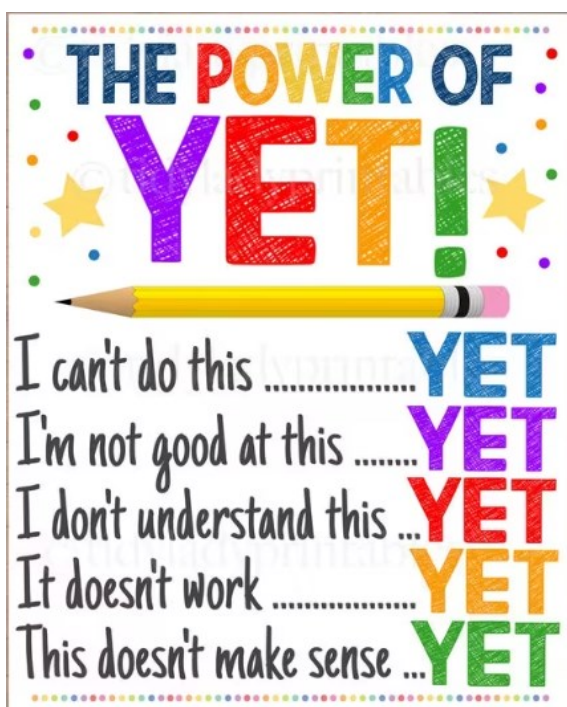
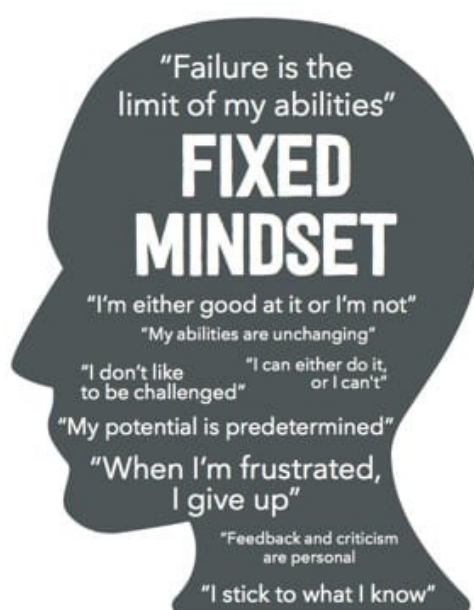
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GROWTH MINDSET AND THE 'POWER OF YET'

At our staff training in January, we spent time reminding ourselves about how to encourage a Growth Mindset in school and the 'Power of Yet' - coming to terms with not being able to do something 'now,' but being able to, in time.

One of the things we feel that some of the Woodridge children struggle with is resilience when things go wrong - both in their learning and out of class.

Here are two simple visuals that explain what we mean by Growth Mindset thinking in school and 'The Power of Yet.' Have a chat with your child about it.



NEWSPAPER REPORTS

Here's a great piece of brilliantly formatted homework from Lyla F in Y5 in response to a homework task - writing a report about the recent class trip to the Science Museum. The *School Newsletter* has competition!



Year Five has out of this world field trip to Science Museum

Woodridge class took train to South Kensington where they saw an actual piece of the Moon

YEAR FIVE went on the train to South Kensington to the Science Museum. They saw the science section. Their teacher gave them a piece of paper with questions with the answers hidden in the texts on the walls. The students went to the space section where they saw a piece of the Moon. Then they had lunch and went back on the train to school. Year five student Lyla Ferrer said: "It was a lot of fun and I would love to go back to the museum soon." Year five is looking forward to going on more trips out of the school in the months to come.



The class saw this real piece of the actual Moon which is on display at the museum

WOW TRAVEL TRACKER

Each month, Mrs Wheatcroft totals up the number of children who travel to school sustainably.



The class winners for the month of January were Year 6.

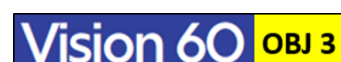
THE WIDERNESS CAFE

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



Tea, coffee, hot chocolate and cakes will be on sale. CAKE DONATIONS WELCOME! And please bring your own cup if you can.

THE CAFÉ IS NOW CLOSED UNTIL AFTER HALF TERM.



UPDATED KEY DATES, EVENTS AND TRIPS

For your diaries - below is the updated key dates, events and trips list. Please note that World Book Day for Woodridge will now be on the same day as the national World Book Day - Thurs 7th March. **New events in red.**



WPS KEY DATES/EVENTS FOR 2023-24



SPRING TERM	Tues 5 th March – 'A Little Princess' Show pm
Mon 8 th Jan – INSET Day 3	Thurs 7 th March – WPS World Book Day
Mon 15 th Jan - HSBC Bank workshops YR-Y6	WC 11 th March – SCIENCE WEEK
Tues 16 th Jan – Y5 Science Museum	Weds 13 th March - Bubble Science Day YR-Y6
Tues 23 rd Jan – Y1 Class Assembly	Weds 13 th March – Parent Workshop (Anxiety) 9-10am
Thurs 25 th Jan - Y6 to Central London Mosque	Tues 12 th March – Y6 Class Assembly
Tues 30 th Jan – Y2 Class Assembly	Tues 19 th March – Y5 Class Assembly
Tues 6 th Feb – Y3 Class Assembly	Tues 19th March - Y4 to Nanak Darbar Sikh Temple
WC 12 th Feb – HALF TERM	Fri 22 nd March – Y1 to Y6 reports to parents
Tues 27 th Feb – Y4 Class Assembly	Tues 26 th March - Y6 to Houses of Parliament
WC 4 th March - ARTSWEEK	Tues 26 th March – Workshare Evening
	Thurs 28 th March – Last day of term 2.30pm
SUMMER TERM	
Mon 15 th April – INSET Day 4	Tues 18 th June – Y1 Class Assembly
Tues 30 th April – Reception Class Assembly	Tues 25 th June – Y2 Class Assembly
Mon 6 th May – BANK HOLIDAY	Fri 5 th July – Y1-Y6 Short Reports sent home
Mon 13 th May – Y6 SATs week	Tues 9 th July – Infant Sports Morning
Fri 17 th May – Red Nose Day	Tues 9 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4-6.30pm
Mon 20 th May – Walk to School Week	Thurs 11 th July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4.30-8.00
Tues 21 st May – Y1 Phonics Parents' Mtg 9.00am	Fri 12 th July – Junior Sports Day pm
Weds 22 nd May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.20pm	Mon 15 th July – Junior Production Dress 2.00pm
Thurs 23 rd May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Tues 16 th July - Reserve Infant Sports Morning
WC 27 th May – HALF TERM	Tues 16 th July – Junior Production Perf 7.00pm
Mon 3 rd June – INSET day 5	Weds 17 th July – Junior Production Perf 7.00pm
Tues 4 th June – Y1 Phonics Check Week	Fri 19 th July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Tues 4 th June – Y4 Tables Check Week	Weds 24 th July – Last day of term 2.30pm
Mon 10 th June – Y6 to Conover Hall	

TERM DATES FOR 2024-25

On page 8 of this Newsletter are the term dates for 2024-25. Please do not book holidays or trips during term time.



The national expectation on attendance is **96%**. This week, we sent out letters to parents of all those children whose attendance is **below 90%**.

MEALTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY - STARTING JANUARY 2024

The school is looking for a mealtime supervisor to join our lunchtime team. If you would enjoy taking on a variety of roles and are confident working with children, supervising them in the dining room and helping them to play together in the playground, we would like to hear from you.

Mealtime Supervisor

Part-time – 6.25 hours a week. 12 noon to 1.15pm. Monday to Friday on a permanent Contract.

For more details follow this link to our website:

<https://www.woodridgeprimaryschool.com/vacancies/>



WOODRIDGE COMMUNITY SERVICES

After a suggestion by the WSA, we would like to compile a list of local services that might be useful for parents, such as garages, plumbers, electricians, garden services and the like. These will then be posted on our WPS Community Services tab on the school's website which would be linked to an article in the School Newsletter every week.



Businesses would be asked to donate a fee for this service, which would run on an annual basis until the end of July each year. The contact for this is our School Business Manager email - sbm@woodridge.sch.uk Here's the link to the page on the website: <https://www.woodridgeprimaryschool.com/wps-community->



HIRING WOODRIDGE SCHOOL

Did you know that you can hire Woodridge Primary School as a meeting, event or party venue? We are also interested in finding an appropriate long term hire for our Suite, which is a classroom and an office room with a kitchen and two toilets.



For details and photos go to <https://www.sharesy.com/v/woodridge-primary>



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Achievement Awards

Friday 2nd February 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	Yigit for working hard to blend and segment the sounds and for having a great attitude to learning. Lulu for remembering and using lots of new vocabulary and for explaining so well how to make a sandwich!!
Year 1 Willow	Ernie for being such a polite and happy boy with an infectious smile and giggle. Zara for an amazing effort during art day. What an artist!
Year 2 Rowan	Adam for a fantastic mini biography of Roald Dahl! Gray for fantastic interesting interview questions for Charlotte Tilbury.
Year 3 Silver Birch	Tom and Emma for making amazing improvements in their written and spoken English!
Year 4 Ash	Rohan for showing kindness to others and teaching others about respect. Alice for her excellent expanded noun phrases about chocolate. Anya for her fantastic team work in her radio advertisement.
Year 5 Lime	Jacob for being kind and helpful as well as for working hard, particularly in English. Aoi for always listening attentively and working hard.
Year 6 Maple	Evie and Alex for writing fantastic recounts using ambitious vocabulary.
Values Award	Phoenix Y1 - Perseverance and Friendship
Value of The Month	February - TOLERANCE

SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Multisports - Sadie Y2, Amelia Y2, Noa Y1, Lyra YR
Gym - Emily Y4 and Jacob 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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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

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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

