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# WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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## YEAR 6 SATs

Well done to Year 6 for getting through a tough week of SATs tests - spelling, punctuation and grammar, reading and maths - six long tests in all. It was particularly challenging coping with the hottest weather of the year. We had 100% attendance from Year 6 all week.



## SENSO

As part of increased safety measures in place to safeguard schools, this year we have a new filtering system for any electronic device that is being used by a child - it is called SENSO. This means that if any child searches for anything inappropriate, this is flagged automatically by SENSO and a message is sent to school leaders. If we are particularly concerned about this, we would contact parents to let them know.



## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

As many of you know, being a one form entry school in Finchley, with a very low number of children entitled to Free School Meals, we are always in a challenging position when it comes to funding from the government. In fact we rely on letting out the school, significant donations from then WSA and the Woodridge Together Fund to prop up our precarious budget.



Consequently, whenever we have a school trip or event, we always ask for a voluntary contribution from parents to cover the costs. In recent weeks and months, we have found that voluntary contributions for things have dropped off, which means we may not be able to continue to run the full range of events and trips that we do. So if you are able to pay these, it really helps.



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## SUMMER FAIR - SAVE THE DATE

This year's WSA Summer will be in the afternoon of:

# SUNDAY 29th JUNE



## BIG WALK AND WHEEL STATS

*Mrs Wheatcroft writes:*



There were 1,479 Sustainable Journeys over the two weeks  
74.1% of the children came to school by walking, scooting or cycling  
Woodridge came 155 out of 1196 small schools Nationally.  
We came 4th for small schools in Barnet. Great job everyone!

## AN ACROSTIC POEM

The Dark – An acrostic poem by Maya Y2

The dark could be anywhere  
Haunted feelings are spreading quietly.  
Everyone could be hiding  
Darkness is only in the creepiness of night.  
Anyone could be down there  
Really eerie like a haunted house  
Keeps on giving me nightmares.



## THE BOOK FAIR

*Leader of English Mrs Hooper writes:*

For each book sold at the Book Fair last term, the school earned additional money to go towards 'free' books for the school.

Thanks to all the sales we made, we raised £513.19 in free books.

Thanks everyone who bought a book.



## WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2024-25

- **Monday 2nd June is NOT an INSET Day - pupils need to be in school that day**
- **There are newer class visit/event dates for your diaries in red**

SUMMER TERM	
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> April – INSET Day 5	Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> June - Y3 to River Thames
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> April - Y4 Roman workshops	Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Class Assembly
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> April – Y2 to Roald Dahl Museum	Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> June - YR to Bekonscot
WC 28 <sup>th</sup> April - Y3 Swimming Wv 1	Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> June – Sept '25 Reception Mtg 6.30pm
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May – BANK HOLIDAY	Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> June – Y2 Class Assembly
WC 6 <sup>th</sup> May - Y3 Swimming Wk 2	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> June – WPS Summer Fair pm
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> May - Y1 Phonics Mtg 9.00am	Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> July – Spanish Assembly 9.10am
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> May – V-E Day (red, white & blue)	Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> July – Y1-Y6 Short Reports sent home
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> May – Y5 Music Festival rehearsal pm	Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July - Y4 Brass Assembly 9.10am
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATS week	Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July – Infant Sports Afternoon 1.30pm
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May - Y3 to Science Museum	Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4-6.30pm
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> May – Reception Class Assembly	Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> July - Y1-Y6 Learning Reviews 4.30-8.00
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup> May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.30pm	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Sports Day 1.30pm
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> May - District Sports Event	Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Dress 2pm
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> July - Reserve Infant Sports Morning
WC 27 <sup>th</sup> May – HALF TERM	Weds 16 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> June – Term starts for children	Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
WC Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> June – Y4 Tables Check (2 weeks)	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> June - Active Times Tables Workshop 9am	Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> July – Y6 Leavers Event
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> June – Y6 to Conover Hall	Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> July - Last Day of Term (Finish 2.30pm)
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> June - Y5 to Barnet Music Festival	
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> June – Y6 to Young Citizens	

### ACTIVE TIMES TABLES WORKSHOP

Maths Leader Mrs Norman will be running a times table workshop for parents on Thursday 5th June from 9.00 to 9.25am.

This will involve using a range of methods to support children who struggle with rote learning.

Please wear clothing that you can move about in! To enable Mrs Norman to know how many are parents are coming and the year groups represented please sign up with this Sign-up Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A4A82AA4F5C07-56614155-time#/>





# Annie

The Musical

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# STARS OF THE WEEK!

## Achievement Awards

Friday 16th May 2025

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	Tom for showing great maths skills when working our 'how many more' has been added to a number. Shiv for making very good progress with reading, developing more fluency and chatting about the stories.
Year 1 Willow	Lara for correctly identifying half of an object or shape. Sophie G for writing lovely clear instructions of how to catch an alien.
Year 2 Rowan	Ernie for your fabulous descriptive writing about our book, Man on the Moon. Danny for showing a great 'growth mindset' attitude and conquering some tricky maths concepts this week.
Year 3 Silver Birch	Mia for her powerful persuasive writing about saving Squashy. Mahi for her beautiful writing both in and out of school. Year 3, for their fantastic attitudes to our trip and for acting responsibly throughout.
Year 4 Ash	Ava and Nancy for their diary entries. They produced well thought out writing including all the features we have been practicing.
Year 5 Lime	Miguel for thinking carefully about science topics and providing sensitive responses to class discussions. Milly for concentrating and working hard on Maths and English this week.
Year 6 Maple	All of Year 6 for showing great resilience all week! Well done.
Value of The Month	MAY- EMPATHY

### SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Gym - Ayaz Y1, Oscar Y1, Sienna Y2 and Ernie Y2

Multisports - Kaian Y3 and Bodhi Y6



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# Woodridge Primary School



## TERM DATES 2024-2025

### Autumn Term 2024

Monday 2 September      INSET Day: School closed for pupils  
Tuesday 3 September      First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

Monday 4 November      INSET Day: School closed for pupils  
Tuesday 5 November      First day back for pupils  
Friday 20 December      Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

### Spring Term 2025

Monday 6 January      INSET Day: School closed for pupils  
Tuesday 7 January      First day back for pupils

Half Term: Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

Monday 24 February      INSET Day: School Closed for pupils  
Tuesday 25th February      First day back for pupils  
Friday 4 April      Last day of term: 2.30pm finish

### Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22 April      INSET Day: School closed for pupils  
Wednesday 23 April      First day back for pupils  
Monday 5 May      Bank Holiday: School closed for pupils

Half Term: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Monday 2 June      First day back for pupils  
Tuesday 22 July      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.



# Woodridge Primary School



## 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)

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





## Woodridge Primary School Value Cycle

### Year A (2024-25)

September	<b>Respect</b>
October	Unity
November	Friendship
December	Peace
January	<b>Honesty</b>
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.