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# WOODRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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## EVENTS, MEETINGS AND TRIPS

On page 3 is a list of **all the key Woodridge events for the forthcoming year 2025-26**. Other class visits and trips will be added as the year progresses. **Please have a read and put the key dates in your diaries.**



The WPS term dates for 2026-27 are now on page 7.

**2026-2027**

## DOGS

Although lots of people love dogs, some of our children, staff and parents are not so keen. Please remember that we do not allow dogs on the school premises (even carried) so please keep these on the pavement. Thank you.



## MACMILLAN COFFEE AFTERNOON

Next Friday, 26th September we will be holding a **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon from 3.00-3.40pm** on the green at the front of the school.



All money raised will go towards the Macmillan Cancer Support charity.

To raise as much money as we can for this amazing cause, we need **donations of CAKES**. These can be brought in first thing on Friday morning or just before 3.00pm.

Cakes should be nut-free. Home-made cakes will need a label describing what they are.

It will be CASH only event with cakes 50p or £1 for fancy ones. Coffee and tea also available for 50p. Bring your own cup preferred.



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## YEAR 6 TUDOR WORKSHOP

This week, Year 6 had a brilliant Tudor workshop led by Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn from *Historic Workshops*. The children learned about the monarchs of the period and their impact, were able to handle Tudor artefacts, including weapons and also dressed up in armour of the time. They also tried indoor archery, Tudor dancing and Tudor board games. It was a great way to support and enhance a really rich curriculum area. Thanks to Mrs Norman for organising.



## GOOGLE CLASSROOM LOGINS

Y2 to Y6 children will bring home today a long, thin slip of paper with their login details for their Google Classroom accounts. Please make a note of all the details at home and keep them safe. **Y1 children will receive theirs next week.**



## RECEPTION START LUNCHES

This week all our new Reception children have been in school and the oldest children in the class have stayed to lunch with parents and today stayed for lunch on their own.

Reception have made a great start. Thanks parents for your support during our induction programme into Woodridge.



## WOODRIDGE KEY EVENTS/DATES 2025-26

Below is the list for your diaries/fridge of all the key events and dates for the whole of the 2025-26 year.

Further dates, including class trips will be added as the year progresses.

The term dates for *next year* (2026-2027) will be published in next week's Newsletter and all subsequent Newsletters

<b>AUTUMN TERM</b>	Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y5 Neasden Temple
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept – INSET DAY ONE	Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Parents' Evening 4.00-7.00pm
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Y1/Y2 New Teacher Mtgs 9.10am	Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y5 Class Assembly One
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> – Y6 Tudor Day	Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Parents' Evening 4.30-7.30pm
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept - KS2 New Teacher Mtgs 9.10am	Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y4 Class Assembly One
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.00am	Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec – Y3 Class Assembly One
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct - World Mental Health Day	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Inf Production Dress 2pm
WC 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct – HALF TERM	Weds 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Inf Production Perf 2pm
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov – INSET Day 2	Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Inf Production Perf 9.30am
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Anti-Bullying Week	Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec – <i>Dick Whittington</i> Panto 1.30pm
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y6 Class Assembly One	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish
<b>SPRING TERM</b>	Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> March – <i>Alice in Wonderland</i> Show pm
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan – INSET Day 3	Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar – World Book Day
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan – Y2 Class Assembly One	WC 9 <sup>th</sup> March – SCIENCE WEEK
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Y1 Class Assembly One	Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Y4 Class Assembly Two
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Y5 Science Museum	Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Y5 Class Assembly Two
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Y3 Class Assembly Two	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Y1 to Y6 Mid-Year reports home
WC 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb – HALF TERM	Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Workshare Evening 5-7pm
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Y6 Class Assembly Two
WC 2 <sup>nd</sup> March - ARTSWEEK	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar – Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish
<b>SUMMER TERM</b>	Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> June – End of Year Reports home
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> April – INSET Day 4	Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> June - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 4.00-7.00
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May – BANK HOLIDAY	Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> July - Y1–Y6 Learning Reviews 5.00-7.30
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> May - Y1 Parents Phonics Mtg 9.00am	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> July – Junior Sports Day 1.30pm
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs week	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Dress 1.45pm
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> May – Reception Class Assembly	Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> July – Infant Sports Afternoon 1.30pm
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> May – Y6 School Journey Mtg 3.30pm	Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> May – Y5 Southover Sleepover	Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> July – Junior Production Perf 7pm
WC 25 <sup>th</sup> May – HALF TERM	Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> July – Reserve Junior Sports Day pm
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL	Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> July - Reserve Infant Sports Afternoon
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> June – Y6 to Condover Hall	Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.10am
Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Class Assembly Two	Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July - Last Day of Term 1.30pm finish
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> June – Y2 Class Assembly Two	

## BALLET SUCCESSES

Congratulations to two children for achieving their Grade 2 Royal Academy of Dance Ballet awards:

Ayaka (Distinction)  
Kaori Y4 (High Merit)



## TWO MEALTIME SUPERVISORS REQUIRED

We are looking for TWO mealtime supervisors (5 lunchtimes a week) to join our lovely staff team this term.



Please see the advert below, which also includes a website link for the key documents.

## VACANCY FOR TWO MEALTIME SUPERVISORS

**Post Title: MEALTIME SUPERVISOR Level 1**  
(Required from September 2025)

**Salary: £3315 per annum 39 weeks a year**

**Part-time – 6.25 hours a week. (12 noon to 1.15pm - Mon to Fri)**



Woodridge Primary is an over-subscribed, successful and friendly one form entry school in Finchley graded as 'Outstanding' in four out of five areas by *Ofsted* in March 2025.

The school is committed to achieving the highest standards and a real sense of community.

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.

Applicants should ideally:

- Have experience of working with primary age children
- Have good communication skills
- Be calm, firm and patient
- Be able to work as a part of a team and take instruction
- Be willing to undergo any appropriate training



Woodridge can offer:

- Working with children who are well behaved, friendly and keen to do well
- A welcoming, well-resourced school environment
- An organised and well led staff team

For an informal discussion please call Colin Dowland or Laura Monroe (Co-Headteachers). Visits to the school are warmly encouraged. Please contact the school office to arrange one. An application form and Job Description can be found on our website here:

<https://woodridgeprimaryschool.secure-primariesite.net/july-2025-mealtime-supervisor-vacancy/>

Please email application to [office@woodridge.barnetmail.net](mailto:office@woodridge.barnetmail.net). Applications will be set processed on a rolling basis on receipt.

**Woodridge Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.**

# STARS OF THE WEEK!

## Achievement Awards

Friday 19th September 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	This week we have welcomed all the new Reception children with the oldest children staying for lunch. Well done children, you have all made a great start.
Year 1 Willow	Liam for excellent maths skills and using the mathematical language of 'greater than, less than and equal to'. Penny for fantastic scientific skills using all of her five senses to help write a 'sense' poem.
Year 2 Rowan	Toshi for being the kindest, friendliest, BEST classmate and student- we will miss you! Ella for your fabulous work about Beegu in English this week-so proud of you!
Year 3 Silver Birch	Ren and Cai for great reasoning in maths lessons this week.
Year 4 Ash	Kaori for being a fantastic student and always motivated. You always give your best and have a positive mindset. Adam for fantastic knowledge in science; Living things. Particularly in grouping animals and knowing their features.
Year 5 Lime	Yoni for demonstrating his passion and encyclopaedic knowledge for history during our lessons on Anglo Saxons. Richie for helping to explain Roman numerals to another child and for always being focused.
Year 6 Maple	Ruhaan for going out of his way to show kindness to others. Termeh for always putting her hand up and finding opportunities to progress further in her learning.
Value of The Month	September - <b>Kindness</b>

### SPORTING STARS OF THE WEEK

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

Multisports - Akira Y2, Joshua Y1, Jude Y1 and Ella Y2  
Gym - Matilda Y4 and Harry Y4



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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: 1.30pm finish

Please note the earlier finish times on the final day of each term.

### 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: 1.30pm 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 1.30pm 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.



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### 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

Please note the earlier finish times on the final day of each term.

### 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 4 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 4 May 2027 - Bank Holiday)

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**Year B (2025-26)**

September	<b>Kindness</b>
October	Freedom
November	Understanding
December	Co-operation
January	<b>Responsibility</b>
February	Tolerance
March	Thoughtfulness
April	Perseverance
May	Compassion
June	Courtesy
July	Humility

