



A word from Mrs Milner

Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

This is my last newsletter before we break up for the half term. I think that the weather is going to be fabulous during the half -term as it is going to be warm and sunny -perfect for days out (if the opportunity arises). Our summer fair is coming up after half term so please put the 17th of June in your diary and join us. We promise you an afternoon of fun, combined with a worthwhile event designed to raise money for our PTA and ultimately our school.

We are all very proud of Emily from 4TB who wrote to Sarah Green, our MP for Amersham and Chesham, about anaphylaxis (an acute allergic reaction to an antigen e.g. a bee sting or nuts) and ideas about food labelling for cross-contamination. Cross contamination when traces of allergens get into products accidentally. This can happen during the processing, manufacturing, handling, transport, or storage of foods. I am very pleased to say that Sarah Green put Emily’s petition for a parliamentary debate. Well done, Emily! We are very proud of your work and convictions. Let us hope that proper labelling that tells consumers about possible cross-contamination will eventually become a law.

During today’s assembly we had the pleasure of Urvi and her Dad singing a song from Assam, which is a state in north-eastern India. Both Urvi and her Dad sang about the proverbial struggle between good and evil and the song was sang in the Assamese language. It was a beautiful song and made me quite tearful. We are hoping that Urvi’s dad will be able to join us in another assembly and tell the children more about the Assam state, renowned for its wildlife. Thank you once more.

This letter is going to be purposefully short, as we have some very exciting news. Below are some words from our Chair of the Governing Body, Mrs Jenny Faulkner.

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be able to tell you that we have appointed (subject to the necessary checks that we have to undertake) a new Head Teacher to take over when Mrs Milner retires at the end of this academic year. Mr Owen Lloyd has been a primary school teacher for over 20 years and has many years’ experience of senior leadership in primary and junior schools around Buckinghamshire. Governors and leaders from the ODBST who interviewed him this week were impressed with his passion for academic excellence and for a broad and enriching curriculum for all children. Everyone who spoke to him, including the children who interviewed him, felt that he understood Woodside and shared our values.

It will be hard to say ‘goodbye’ to Mrs Milner in July but we are confident that we can look forward to an exciting new chapter in the development of the school when Mr Lloyd joins us in September.

Best wishes

Jenny Faulkner

Chair of the LGB

I leave you with a poem that encapsulates (poetically) how I feel now that the inevitability of a succession is here. I am certain that Mr Lloyd will write to you personally, in due course, but I am sure that you will join me in congratulating Mr Lloyd on his appointment and wishing him all the very best in his role as a leader of this school. Woodside is such a special place -thanks to all the children, staff, and parents.

The Road Not Taken
BY **ROBERT FROST**

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

I sincerely hope that you have a lovely half term and that the children enjoy their well-deserved rest.

With my warmest sunny and half term wishes

Dorota Milner

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
5.6.23	Inset day
6.6.23	Headteacher Presentation to Year 5 parents for 11+ exam
9.6.23	Year 5 Trip to Tate Modern
13.6.23	School Group/Class Photos
13.6.23	Year 4 Tri Golf Festival at Chiltern Hills Academy
13.6.23	PTA Meeting via Zoom 8-9pm
15.6.23	Year 5 Athletics at DCHS
17.6.23	PTA Summer Fair—2pm-4pm
19.6.23	Year 4 Trip to Verulamium
22.6.23	Careers Day
27.6.23	Year 6 Games at DCHS
29.6.23	Sports Day (reserve date 13.7.23)
w/c 3.7.23	Bike-ability (Yr6)
4.7.23	Transition Day
12.7.23	Year 5 to St Clement Danes School
12.7.23	Year 3 to West Wittering Beach
13.7.23	Year 6 production PM and Eve (parents invited)
14.7.23	Ice-Cream van (funded by PTA)
17.7.23	Mrs Milner's leaving assembly 9-10am on the field (parents invited)
18.7.23	Rock Steady Concert to School 10am (parents invited)
18.7.23	Woodside's Got Talent PM
20.7.23	Year 6 Leavers assembly (AM) - parents invited Year 6 Water Fight (PM)
21.7.23	Break up 1.30pm
	Link to 2023/24 term dates on website

Thank You!

The PTA have very kindly offered to fund a very exciting outdoor classroom project... watch this space for new equipment coming soon...!

House Point Totals

This Week	386	345	335	377
This Half Term	1392	1358	1469	1715
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

RECENT ART EXHIBITION NEWS from Mrs McCarthy



Following on from last week's newsletter, we are pleased to announce that **23 Woodside children** have successfully had their artwork selected to be displayed in **The Discover Bucks Museum Children and Young People Open Art Exhibition**. How wonderful, we are so proud of you.

Congratulations to...

Year 3:

- Audrey
- Charlie
- Raffy
- Nathan
- Aarna
- Kateryna
- Teddy

Year 4:

- Florence
- Elsa
- Tilly

Year 5:

- Saathvika
- Darun
- Abel
- Surabhi
- Sophie
- Beatrix
- Olivia
- Ollie

Year 6:

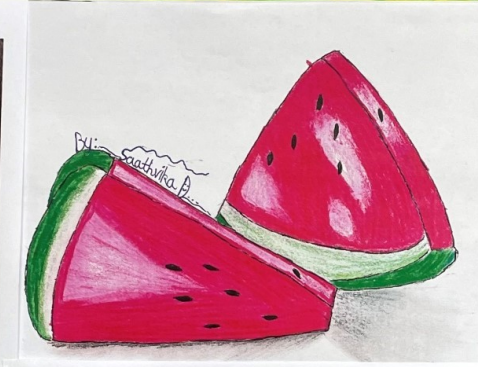
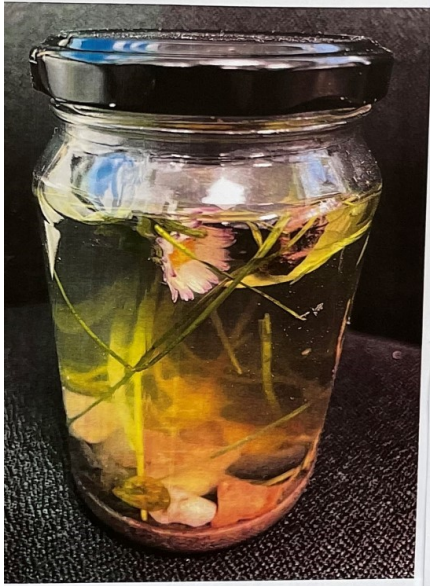
- Rose
- Juliette
- Jessica
- Clara
- Amara



The **general public** will now **vote** for an overall winner during the **MAY Half Term**. So why not visit, vote and enjoy this local Art Exhibition.

DISCOVER BUCKS MUSEUM, CHURCH STREET,
AYLESBURY, HP20 2QP.

Please see some examples of the children's wonderful artwork on the next page...



UPCOMING EVENTS

THE MISBOURNE
Festival of
SPORT
INCLUDING 5K/10K TRAIL RUN & 2K FUN RUN
SATURDAY 24TH JUNE
10AM - 1PM

BBQ | BEER TENT | TEA, COFFEE and LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
FAMILY FUN WITH STALLS, GAMES AND COMPETITIONS



SPORTS DEMONSTRATIONS | MEDALS FOR ALL FINISHERS

SIGN UP FOR THE RUN
WWW.MISBOURNETRAILRUN.ORG.UK

DO YOU KNOW A CHILD WITH A PASSION FOR FASHION?
DO THEY HAVE STAND-OUT STYLE?

Would they like to show off their creative design skills to celebrities + showcase their ideas to the fashion world?

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THE MAKERS OF "HORRIBLE HISTORIES" ARE LOOKING FOR 10 TO 14 YEAR OLDS FOR A BRAND NEW STYLING CHALLENGE SHOW FOR

CBBC + iPLAYER

For more details, parents/guardians should contact:
Fashion@liontv.co.uk

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Discover Bucks Museum
& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

Discover Bucks Museum
Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP
discoverbucksmuseum.org
01296 331441

May Half Term Fun

Monday 29 May - 2 June 2023

Join us in a celebration of art this May Half Term
Express your creative side with workshops on different artforms
each day, inspired by our new Open Art exhibition.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



SHOWTIME

HOLIDAY CLUB 2023

KING'S CHURCH AMERSHAM

21-25th AUGUST

ONLINE BOOKING OPENS 12TH JUNE AT 8PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:
www.kca.church/holidayclub2023

What's On May Half Term

WYCOMBE MUSEUM

30th May & 1st June, Tuesday & Thursday

Discover & Make: Threads and Bobbins

Starts 10.30am • Tickets £4 per child
 Make a lace picture frame! A children's history and craft event inspired by the Chilterns history of lacemaking.

Crafts Recommended for children age 4+



28th May, Sunday

Kid's Crochet Workshop

Starts 11am • Tickets £8
 Learn to crochet in this friendly workshop! All materials provided. Taught by Gen of Woollywonka's.

Crafts For children 6 - 13



2nd June, Friday

Kid's Art Club

Starts 11am • Tickets £6 per child
 Get inspired by the museum's art collection in our mixed media art workshop! Use our materials or bring your own, and set your imagination free.

Crafts For children 7 - 14



Get tickets at www.wycombemuseum.org.uk.
 Children must be accompanied by an adult at these events.

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WOODSIDE JUNIOR SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

17 JUNE FROM 2 TO 4 P.M.

COME ALONG FOR A FUN PACKED AFTERNOON AND TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET TOGETHER WITH OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY TO RAISE FUNDS AND HAVE FUN AT THE SAME TIME!

TRAIL/TREASURE HUNT
 TOMBOLA'S
 BAR
 COFFEE VAN
 REFRESHMENTS

WELLIE WANGING
 BEAT THE GOALIE
 FACE PAINTING
 RAFFLE
 AND MUCH MORE MORE.....!

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT AND WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO THE PTA PLEASE VISIT OUR JUSTGIVING PAGE OR SCAN OUR QR CODE
[HTTPS://CHECKOUT.JUSTGIVING.COM/C/3066916](https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3066916)

PTA

A quick note from the PTA... "sign up lists" are now on Classlist for people to chose a time to man a stall- any help is greatly appreciated!

Safeguarding

This week I spoke to the children about bullying i.e., what constitutes bullying and how to prevent it. Bullying is one of the elements that can be classified as 'child-on child' abuse -the term used currently in all safeguarding work undertaken by the school.

Bullying Definition

At Woodside School, it is important that all stakeholders, including the children, have a shared understanding and definition of what bullying is.

We have adopted a definition which characterises bullying as:

The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face-to-face or online.

Additionally, we believe that for a behaviour to be considered bullying, it must be persistent and goes on over time and that it is deliberate and not accidental.

It is important to distinguish between normal growing up and finding your place in class or in the playground and real, systematic bullying. Not all unkind behaviour is bullying.

Types of bullying

Verbal:

This form of bullying can include repeated, sustained name calling, calling people unkind names and verbal threats of violence.

Physical

This form of bullying can include repeated, sustained hitting, kicking, biting, pushing, tripping a child up. Anything that hurts you by touching you.

Indirect / Social:

This form of bullying can include the repeated, sustained isolating of someone, leaving them out in classroom activities or on the playground, spreading rumours and giving threatening looks.

Cyber / Online

This form of bullying can include the repeated, sustained sending of nasty messages (via text or social media), being part of group chats that encourage bullying, liking unkind messages on social media posts, filming or taking photos without permission and making prank calls.

At Woodside Junior School, we aim to tackle bullying by trying to prevent it from happening in the first place and by tackling it consistently and fairly when it does. Weekly PSHE lessons are timetabled and delivered by class teachers which follow a comprehensive scheme of work. As part of the curriculum, children learn about aspects of bullying and how to prevent it. Our staff continually link all aspects of behaviour, including anti-bullying messages, to the school's values: Inquisitive, Responsible, Resilient, Proud, Collaborative and Positive with an overarching message of kindness. Furthermore, we raise awareness through our Anti-Bullying assemblies.

Additional support for parents

The Anti-Bullying Alliance has produced a concise, clear guide for parents about anti-bullying. In addition to anti-bullying information, it also offers a range of activities for parents to complete with their child/ren at home to discuss bullying and advice that can be given to children at home.

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-and-support/information-tool-parents-and-carers>

Furthermore, these websites may be useful for parents: www.childline.org.uk; www.kidscape.org.uk and www.parentline.org.uk

Wellbeing

Support for Families and Staff

Attached is the updated [Wellbeing and Support](#) information that has been gathered to offer support to families and schools in Bucks.



A special well done to the following children for singing and sharing some exciting news in assembly....

- *Sophie Year 4*
- *Emily Year 4*
- *Penny Year 5*
- *Sienna Year 5*

