## A word from Mr Lloyd

#### Friday 1st December 2023

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a cold but lovely week at Woodside! This morning, we were welcomed into assembly by Tina Turner's "Simply the Best". Each week, Mr Harvey-Mott selects an artist from

a different genre of music for the children to listen to. This can range from classical conductors all the way up to modern day artists and it's great to see the children enjoying and being exposed to a wide range of music during their week. Little things like this are part of what make Woodside (simply) the best!

Our value of the term has been around being "Collaborative". Each Friday, teachers have chosen their stars of the week, and it was great to see that examples of excellent collaboration are being given as reasons for the teachers' choices. Our school values are well understood by all children and staff and are clear for all to see when you visit our school.

One of the main aims of our school and our Trust is to demonstrate sustainability and to look after our environment. This week, we held our second ever 'Nude Food' Day. On this day, the children are encouraged to bring lunches which have no disposable packaging. It's great to see many of our children doing this every day and not just on the Nude Food Days, as it has a real impact on the environment. Amazingly, one class had 100% of the children participating in Nude Food Day and have, therefore, secured the coveted trophy to display in their classroom. Huge congratulations to 4TB!

I'm really looking forward to next week, as sixteen of our pupils from Years 5 & 6 will be visiting Radio Christmas and taking part in a "school hour" radio show. You can hear us on the air next Thursday between 1-2pm, online at radiochristmas.co.uk.

As I have been writing this, I have received a yellow cold weather alert from Bucks CC for the early part of next week. Please make sure that your children are dressed appropriately for the cold weather and that any hats and gloves they bring to school are clearly named.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Mr Lloyd



And the winner of the Christmas Tree Farm Gift Voucher for £56 is......

#### Aahana in Year 3!!

Huge congratulations to you! Please contact the office to arrange the collection of your voucher.

Thank you to everyone who took part.

Don't forget your child will have brought home a leaflet yesterday about mentioning Woodside school at the Christmas tree Farm if most of the flyers are given in when purchasing a tree, Woodside could win £200!

House Point Totals				
This Week	245	282	221	223
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar



### Dates for your diary

Date	Event
W.C 04.12.23	Last week of After School Clubs
05.12.23	Year 5 Trip to Oxford Science Museum
08.12.23	Mufti Day in exchange for PTA raffle items
08.12.23	Deadline for Rotary Young Artist competition
13.12.23	Year 5 Yoga @ Amersham School
13.12.23	Year 4 Christmas Production
15.12.23	Christmas Jumper Day, Santa dash and Christmas Cheer !
19.12.23	Rocksteady Christmas Performance
19.12.23	Last Day of Term (Autumn) School finish @ 1.30pm
04.01.24	INSET DAY
05.01.24	INSET DAY
08.01.24	First day back to school for Spring term 2024
29.01.24	Year 4 Fitness @ Amersham School
31.01.24	Year 6 Benchball @ Amersham School

Click here for the calendar of

23/24 Term Dates



Well done to Isabelle in Year 5 for winning a gold medal in a dance competition! Fantastic!





WE WILL BE RAFFLING OFF COLOURFUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS AT THE CHEER EVENT AND ARE ASKING FOR DONATIONS FROM THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

PLEASE BRING IN ITEMS SUCH AS BOTTTLES OF WINE/TOILETRIES/FESTIVE FOOD ITEMS/SMALL TOYS & GIFTS TO INCLUDE IN OUR HAMPERS

EACH YEAR GROUP HAS THE FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS COLOURS;

YEAR 3 - RED YEAR 4 - GREEN YEAR 5 - GOLD YEAR 6 - SILVER/WHITE

WE WILL BE HOLDING A MUFTI DAY ON FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER IN EXCHANGE FOR DONATIONS -PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS WITH YOUR CLASS TEACHER

£1 PER TICKET AVAILABLE ON CLASSLIST RAFFLE DRAW 4.45PM AT THE CHEER EVENT



We're pleased to say the library project is moving on apace and we now need your help..!! In preparation for new flooring and electrical work to be carried out in the new year we need to start packing up the library!



# We'll be packing up all of the library books to go into storage

If you think you can help us for an hour or so in the week of Monday 4th to Friday 8th December please message the school office, the PTA via our email address woodsideschool08@googlemail.com - or via your class rep.

We really can't do it alone, so all help gratefully received. The more help we get the quicker it'll be done. Many thanks, Your PTA Please click <u>here</u> to book your child's please for FTF Spring Term 2024

Please click <u>here</u> to book your child's please for Netball Spring Term 2024 Please click <u>here</u> to book your child's please for Taekwondo Spring Term 2024



## Calling all Maryland alumni, their parents and carers...

You're invited to a celebration of our beloved pre-school before we close our doors for the final time at the end of this autumn term. Maryland has served the community of Chesham Bois and beyond for 34 years and over those years our Maryland family has grown and blossomed. We're hoping all generations will pop by to share photos and memories of cherished days over a slice of cake!

The Parish Centre on Glebe Way will be open on Saturday 2nd December from 4pm to 7pm. We'd love to see you all there!

Please let us know if you can make it. Email us at: maryland@stleonardscb.org.uk