A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to start this week's newsletter by congratulating our wonderful Year 6 pupils for their effort during this week's

SATs. It is always a challenging week, yet they have shown great resilience and character. I can say that every child has tried their absolute best and that we are really proud of their achievements. We look forward to getting the results back in July!

This week has also been a good example of collaboration across the school, as teaching assistants have been deployed across different year groups to allow us to ensure that Year 6 have received the best support that they can possibly have during this period of assessment. Many thanks to all Woodside staff who have helped make this happen.

It was lovely weather for Year 3's walk around Old Amersham this week. They enjoyed walking around the town and identifying the features that they had been learning about in lessons. It was a hot and tiring day and we were very proud of how well all the children (and adults!) conducted themselves around town! Many thanks to all the parent volunteers who gave up their time to help make the trip happen.

We were delighted last week to receive confirmation that we could go ahead with our upper KS2 playground resurfacing. This week, we managed to agree with our contractors that the work can be completed during half term. When Y5 & 6 return after the half term break, we will have a lovely new playground surface ready for them!

It has been a very short and busy half term, and it's hard to believe that we are nearly at half term already! In yesterday's staff meeting, we shared the dates for the upcoming term and realised that we have a huge amount of exciting events to pack into our final eight weeks or so of this school year. I'm really looking forward to sports day, the summer fair and the Y6 residential trip to Mill on the Brue, which are all rapidly approaching!

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr Lloyd

House Point Totals				
This week	370	357	342	401
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

Dates for your diary Date **Event** 16.05.25 4TB after school hockey tournamentinvited pupils only. 20.05.25 STEM Morning - whole school 21.05.25 Year 3 trip to Amersham Museum 22.05.25 InConcert pupils @ King's Church 23.05.25 ast Day of Half Term- School ends 02.06.25 Inset Day- School Closed 03.06.25 -Year 6 Bikeability 06.06.25 03.06.25 Year 4 Rounders @ Amersham School 04.06.25 4TB Forest School Morning 09.06.25 Gary Grant to see Year 6 10.06.25 Year 4 Athletics @ DCHS 10.06.25 Year 6 Magistrates in the community 11.06.25 4B Forest School Morning 12.06.25 Sports Day! 13.06.25 PTA Mufti Day - Tombola items 14.06.25 Summer Fair 16.0<u>6.25</u> -Year 6 Residential 20.06.25 Year 5 Cricket @ Amersham School 16.06.25 **5WM Forest School Morning** 17.06.25 18.06.25 5HM Forest School Morning

Click here for the calendar of

Please see our Easyfundraising QR code for anyone who is able to make a donation towards school activities and events which are additional to the regular curriculum. If you are able to, please scan the below code and donate what you can- thank you on behalf of all at Woodside!



Well done to Jack in Year 3 for being awarded a reading edition Blue Peter badge after writing and drawing about his favourite book Billionaire boy. Please see Jack with his badge here



Congratulations to Leo in Year 5 for achieving his grade 1 Drums certificate - he is now working towards his Grade 2 exam! Please see a photo of Leo with his certificate here



Finally a huge well done to the below students for also achieving some great sporting triumphs this week...

- Rosie in year 3 received a medal in gymnastics!
- Callum in Year 3 received a medal in Basketball!
- Lumi in Year 3 received a certificate and medal in Ballet!

Please see below for some useful and interesting links to webpages shared with the school office for your information...

- Premier Education- May Half Term Holiday Camp Flyer
- Holiday Club @ Chiltern Lifestyle Centre May Half Term and Summer Holidays
- Rhymes and Reads: A Family Adventure with Mark Grist at Discover Bucks Museum, Aylesbury.
- Wild Woodrow May Half Term Holiday Camps

Is your child interested in learning to play a woodwind instrument? If so, please contact the office and we can arrange a free trial with a tutor from the Bucks Music Trust. You never know, it could unlock a new talent!





Please remember that we are a nut-free school and cannot have any nuts on the premises for snack or in packed lunch boxes due to pupils with severe allergies across the school.



Tickets on MCAS soon



ACTIVITIES

- Arts and Crafts
- Outdoor Games
- Picnic Lunch
- Physical activities
- Nature Activities

EVENT INFO

JUNE: BOOKINGS OPEN

JULY: CAMP OPENS

8AM - 6PM FULL DAY: £40 HALF DAY: £23 WEEK BLOCK: £180



JOIN OUR PTA

CHAIR OF THE PTA Position open from Sept 2025 onwards

Our current PTA Chair will be stepping down at the end of this academic year, so we are now advertising for either one person or two people as Co-Chairs to take over this role from September 2025.

Without someone in the role of Chair the PTA will not be able to continue.

We have had a number of very successful years funding the all weather track in the field to support the daily mile, completing an overhaul and reopening of the library, and this year funding 4 new interactive whiteboards for the classrooms with plans to fund a further 4.

This alongside running discos, bingo afternoons, escape room experiences, fairs, end of year ice creams, Christmas gifts and school equipments needs has all been possible thanks to our community coming together to support the PTA.

We don't want to lose the momentum we have built over the last few years.

Working with the wider team and the school is very rewarding and involves the following:

- Organising team meetings ahead of events
- Planning what events will run through the year
- Alongside the team, managing and resourcing events
- Working with the school to focus fundraising where needed

Additionally our treasurer, secretary and voucher scheme administrator will be leaving at the end of the next school year, July 2026. We are looking for people who are interested to offer their help to come forward. In particular for the treasurer role as this requires some time to complete a full handover so we would like to have this in place by the end of this year.

Please do get in touch if you interested in these roles. Many thanks, PTA Team

COFFEE MONING

WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

Would you like support with your child's mental health?

Does your child suffer with anxieties? Do you need parenting support? Then please sign up to attend our coffee morning at The Hideout run by the The Mental Health Team

The Mental Health Support Team will be visiting Woodside School on

Wednesday 21st May 8:50am - 10:00am

The session will start with a 15min presentation and then time for a meet and greet (Small children are welcome if you have problems with childcare).

Future sessions are planned.

Please complete this form to sign up for this event

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