A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 7th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've just finished a lovely assembly in which we shared a lot of sporting successes! Starting with the Y4 children

who attended a Hockey Festival at Amersham & Chalfont Hockey Club last week. This has been a great initiative, allowing our Y4 pupils to visit a great club and experience playing hockey against pupils from other schools in a friendly environment.

Last Saturday, we competed at Lowndes Park in the cross-country. As ever, we won several medals in both the team and individual competitions. We also celebrated success at the Buckinghamshire Cross Country Championships, where three of our pupils qualified automatically for the National Championships and three more are on the reserve list! This is an incredible achievement for Woodside and congratulations to everyone who competed in the Bucks Championships this week. As ever, many thanks to Mrs Tandara for her work in supporting PE at Woodside. We would not achieve these successes without her!

Monday was one of the highlights of the year so far, as we celebrated Children's Mental Health Week. All classes took part in activities based around a book linked to mental health and our school values. The children participated in mindfulness activities and had a dance in the hall to get their endorphins flowing! It was such a lovely day and the school was full of smiles. We finished the day with a sharing assembly, in which classes presented their work to the rest of the school. It was a joyous occasion and great to see everyone enjoying their day. Many thanks to Mrs Cave-Hawkes for leading on this day, with help from Mrs Harrison & Miss Richer.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Mr Lloyd

This week 196 340 249 305 Maple Willow Elm Cedar

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
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11.02.25	Year 6 Fitness @ Amersham School
11.02.25	Chris Smith- Author visit
14.02.25	PTA Break the Rules Day
14.02.25	Last Day of Half Term- School ends 3.15pm
25.02.25	Year 5 trip to Living Rainforest
03.03.25 - 06.03.25	Year 5 Bikeability- selected children only.
05.03.25	Year 4 Yoga @ Amersham School
08.03.25	Cross Country- Lowndes Park
11.03.25	Year 3 Benchball @ Amersham School
15.03.25	PTA Quiz Night
21.03.25	Year 4 Benchball
21.03.25	4B Hockey Tournament after school - invitation only
W/C: 24.03.25	Last session for all after school clubs
25.03.25	Year 6 trip- RAF Hendon
25.03.25	Book Fair- after school
26.03.25	Year 3 skipping @ Amersham School
26.03.25	Year 4 trip- Bhakivedanta Manor
01.04.25	Rocksteady Spring Concert
01.04.25	Spring Parents Evening 1
02.04.25	Year 3 trip- Ashmolean Museum
02.04.25	PTA Bingo event- after school
03.04.25	Spring Parents Evening 2

Click here for the calendar of 24/25 Term Dates

Please see our brand new 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!











- Congratulations to Alby in Year 3, who was awarded 'Player of the Day' in his icy football match at the weekend. He was also given credit for being a team player, always having a smile on his face and never complaining! See photo to the left with the golden boot!
- Well done to Evan in Year 5 for winning a Hockey
 Tournament with his team Amersham & Chalfont at the
 weekend- see photo to the left.
- Great effort from Shanaya in Year 3 for winning a bronze medal in gymnastics.
- Congratulations to Bhavika in Year 6 for reaching Grade
 3 in Piano!!
- Well done to Kateryna in Year 5 for being awarded 'player of the week' in FTF.
- Amazing work from some of the boys in Year 3 for taking part in the Cross Country event at Lowndes Park at the weekend, please see the team photo below with their game faces on!

Cross Country at Lowndes Park

On Saturday 1st February, Woodside took part in the third cross country event of the season. This was held at Lowndes Park in Chesham and 486 children from local schools were there. I am so proud of our 35 runners. Some are experienced runners, and some were trying it out for the first time. All children were positive and resilient. Everyone completed the muddy course including the hill! Well done.

Individual medallists:

Tommy 10th (Y3 Boys)

Olly 1st (Y4 Boys)

Freddy 1st (Y5 Boys)

Ollie 3rd (Y6 Boys)

Harry 10th (Y6 Boys)

Amelia 4th (Y6 Girls)

Isabel B 6th (Y6 Girls)

Millie 7th (Y6 Girls)



We need at least 3 children in a race to be awarded team medals. Y3 girls and Y5 Girls only had one child from Woodside running. Year 4 boys had only two.

Team medallists:

Year 6 Boys (Ollie, Harry, Charlie) – 2nd place

Year 5 Boys (Freddy, Herbie, Charlie W) - 3rd place

Year 6 Girls (Amelia, Isabel B, Millie) - 3rd place

We have our final event of the season (at Lowndes Park but a 'reverse route') on Saturday 8th March. Why not sign up and give it go? We are especially encouraging girls.

Bucks County Cross Country at Stowe

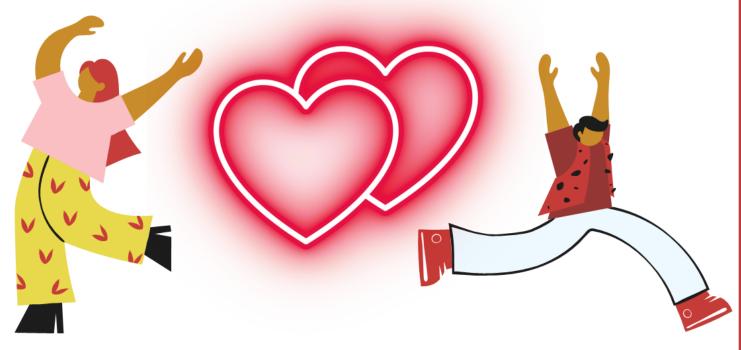
On Wednesday, some of our year 5 and 6 pupils competed in the Bucks County Schools Cross Country competition. Children from all over the county came together to race the course held at Stowe School. The standard of running was exceptional and there was a tough hill to finish. We were incredibly proud of all of our Woodside pupils, all of which have shown a great deal of dedication at our local cross country events. They all showed great camaraderie towards each other and we had a great day. The Woodside Girls team came 4th and the Woodside Boys team came 3rd. Three of our pupils (Ollie Y6, Freddie Y5 and Teddy Y5) also qualified for the National Schools Cross Country Championship in March and have been invited to be a part of the Bucks Swans team. This is a fantastic achievement!





- Please click <u>here</u> if you would like details on the February Half Term Camps which are running at Amersham and Chalfont Hockey Club.
- Please click <u>here</u> to be reminded about other caps taking place this February Half Term.

SHOW YOUR PERSONAL STYLE THIS VALENTINE'S DAY AND BREAK SOME RULES!



FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY

Cool clothes

Wacky hairstyles

Funky footwear (no heels or football boots)

Fun accessories...





SUGGESTED DONATION £2

Donations of cash on the day, or via our justgiving QR code here

WOODSIDE QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 15TH MARCH 7.30PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL, QUIZ STARTS 8PM



A GUARANTEED FANTASTIC EVENING, WITH A BIT OF HEALTHY COMPETITION THROWN IN...

£12.50 PER PERSON, INCLUDES FOOD TICKETS AVAILABLE ON CLASSLIST

SNACKS & DRINKS BAR ON THE NIGHT PLUS ... THE FAMOUS PUDDING AUCTION!!



More information will come soon...for every estate board that is put up and remains up for 8 weeks, the school will receive vital funding that will go directly toward upgrading the IT equipment for students.

This investment in technology will ensure our pupils have access to the best resources, enhancing their learning experience and preparing them for the future. It's a simple way to make a big difference in their education!

We want to emphasize that there is no cost to you or to the school. It's a simple and easy way for us to support our students' learning with updated technology.



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