A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the half-term break! We're excited to begin the second half of the Autumn term and start

the build-up to Christmas. There's so much to look forward to over the coming weeks, and we can't wait to share these moments with you and the children.

Many thanks to our PTA who held the first major event under their new leadership team this week. The disco was very well attended and went smoothly, raising lots of money for the PTA. Thanks again for your help and support, it was lovely to see so many parent volunteers involved with making the event a success.

I recently attended the ODBST Leadership Conference, which was an excellent day of learning and collaboration. The focus this year was on Artificial Intelligence and how it can be used to support teachers and administrative staff in schools. It's an exciting area that has the potential to reduce workload and improve efficiency, and I look forward to exploring how we can bring some of these ideas into our own practice.

As we head into the colder months, seasonal illnesses can become more common, but attendance at school remains incredibly important for children's learning and progress. Please continue to encourage good routines at home and let us know if you need any support. Every day in school really does make a difference.

Finally, a gentle reminder to park carefully when dropping off or collecting children. We've had some recent near-misses involving cars and pedestrians, as well as reports of driveways being blocked. Please help us keep everyone safe by being considerate and vigilant around the school site.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mr Lloyd

House Point Total				
Week 1	330	398	275	364
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

Dates for your diary Date 08.11.25 Cross Country at Hervines Park 10.11.25 Year 3 skipping @ Amersham School 13.11.25 Open morning 9am 13.11.25 Governors Meeting @ 4pm 18.11.25 Year 6 NHS Height and Weight Check 19.11.25 Year 5 trip to Science Oxford Museum 21.11.25 Year 4 Greek Day @ Woodside 21.11.15 Year 5 Hockey Festival- Selected players only-3.30pm-5pm 26.11.25 Year 6 Dodgeball @ Amersham School Year 5 KS2 gymnastics @ DCHS 27.11.25 27.11.25 Last FTF Session 05.12.25 Break the Rules Day- hamper donations 08.12.25 Flu Immunisations 09.12.25 Last Cheer Session 09.12.25 Year 4 Christmas Play 2pm and 6.30pm 10.12.25 Last TKD Taekwondo Session 11.12.25 Choir Christmas Concert 6pm 12.12.25 Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Cheer after school 12.12.25 Last Netball and Last ZKT Sessions 15.12.25 Choir to sing for Age Concern 17.12.25 Chartwells Christmas Lunch 18.12.25 Carol Concert @ St Michaels & All Angels 19.12.25 Last Day of half term. School will finish @ No HOZ after school bookings, but breakfast Club is available.

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!





A huge well done to Aditi in Year 3 who received a trophy from the South Indian Society for participation in a Diwali event.

Thank you for Making Our Disco Shine

What an incredible night! A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our *Glow Disco* from dazzling dancers to our volunteers, teachers and parents who helped make it such a success!

We're delighted to announce we raised £923.95.

Every penny will go towards supporting the school.

Thank you again for your support and brilliant dance moves

Your PTA

Christmas Card Competition News from Mrs McCarthy

Thames Valley Police have kindly invited our Woodside children to unleash their creativity to design a festive card on the theme of Helping people at Christmas'.

This is never more true than at Christmas, when the police continue to work alongside the other **emergency services** to help keep us all safe while many of us are able to enjoy time off with our families.

The winning design will be printed and sent out to people across the Thames Valley and beyond with the winner's name and school featured inside the card.

The winner will receive a <u>professionally printed version of their artwork</u>. Unfortunately all entries cannot be returned.

Please create your design on the <u>entry form attached</u> using pencils, pens, or paint, but please avoid glitter, stickers and digital designs.

All entries to be handed to the school office or directly to Mrs McCarthy 5WM by **Friday 21st November** 2025 who will arrange delivery of designs for you.

Good Luck and enjoy creating your festive designs!

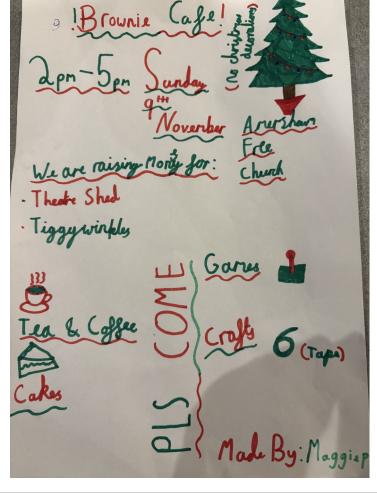


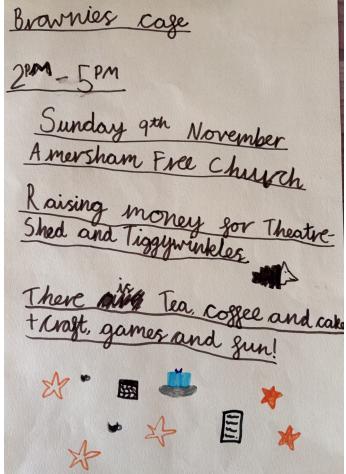




Please see below for some useful and interesting links to webpages shared with the school office for your information...

- Aylesbury Town Council Event Christmas on the Cobbles
- Christmas Letter from Father Christmas!
- Christmas Card Competition





Brownie Cafe

Please see attached posters from Sophie T, Isla G and Flo (year3) and Maggie (year 5) who would love you to join them at their Brownie Cafe - for one Sunday only!

2-5pm 9th November, Amersham Free Church, in aid of Theatre Shed and Tiggywinkles. There will be biscuits, cakes, a teddy tombola and other stalls - all staffed by Brownies. Please join us there!

