



# Weekly Newsletter

Your weekly newsletter about Woodside school!  
Spring Term 2026

## Friday 13th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely week in school and I would like to begin with a warm welcome to all of our families. The children have been full of enthusiasm and it has been wonderful to see our community so engaged and supportive.

Year 6 had a fantastic trip to RAF Hendon and returned full of stories about the aircraft, the exhibitions and the workshops they took part in. A sincere thank you to all staff and volunteers who made the visit possible. Experiences like this enrich the curriculum and help children build meaningful connections with their learning, something strongly supported by educational research into experiential learning.

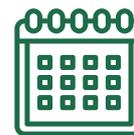
We have also enjoyed a lovely book fair this week. It was great to see so many parents attending and sharing in the excitement of choosing new books. Thank you to Mrs Jonwood for organising the fair. It is great to have such a good link with Chorleywood Book Shop and we truly value their ongoing support in promoting reading for pleasure.

Well done to all of the children who entered the Rotary art competition. There were over 400 entries across Amersham which is a remarkable number and shows the strength of creativity in the local area. A huge well done to Jack in Year 5 for achieving Highly Commended and very special congratulations to James in Year 4 who came second overall. This recognition reflects both talent and perseverance, qualities we aim to nurture across the school.

I would also like to make another plea for everyone to please park legally when dropping off and collecting children. We are aiming to approach Bucks County Council about potential street furniture to help prevent illegal parking and improve the safety of our pupils. To support this, it would be extremely helpful to gather letters from parents expressing their concerns about parking at these times. If you wish to write, please send your letter to the school office email marked FAO Mr Lloyd.

Thank you as always for your support and for everything you do to help make our school such a positive and caring place for our children.

Best wishes,  
Mr Lloyd



## Dates for your diary

17.03.26	Author Visit - Piers Torday
18.03.26	Year 4 Trip to Bhaktivedanta Manor
21.03.26	Family Bingo
24.03.26	Rocksteady Easter Concert
24.03.26	Parents Evening 1
25.03.26	Year 5 Easter Assembly
25.03.26	Year 6 to Amersham School for Matilda production
26.03.26	Parents Evening 2
26.03.26	MUFTI day for the winning house of the 2026 Challenge!
27.03.26	Last day of term- School will finish @ 1.30pm No HOZ after school bookings, but breakfast club is available.
13.04.26	INSET DAY

## House Point Total

Week 9	725	★ 842	577	683
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

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

- [FTF Easter MegaCamps](#)
- [Scannappeal Easter Event - Dundridge Manor](#)
- [Opening Afternoon at AIM @ Chesham - Wednesday 18th March](#)



A huge well done to Freddie in year 5 who has received certificates in swimming, gymnastics and hockey!

Also to Emmie in Year 5 for winning the girls U10 Bucks Cup in Hockey!

Finally, to Thomas and Ellis in Year 5 for coming second in the Boys' U10 Bucks Cup in Hockey. All three have now qualified for regionals

well done!

The final Cross Country event for our Year 6 runners! As seen here with Mrs Tandara and Mrs McCarthy!



A HUGE well done to Tom, who earned his first martial arts belt this week (white with yellow stripe). Keep up the great work!



Cross Country Success at Lowndes Park! ☀️  
Our final cross-country event of the season took place on Saturday 7th March, and what a fantastic finish it was! A brilliant 40 children represented Woodside, showing superb determination and sportsmanship throughout. This event saw us return to Lowndes Park, but this time our runners tackled a reverse route, adding an extra challenge to the course and they rose to it wonderfully.

Well done to all our runners!

Congratulations, in particular, to our medallists:

- Tommy (Year 4 Boys) – 6th
- Olly (Year 5 Boys) – 1st
- Charlotte (Year 5 Girls) – 9th
- Freddy (Year 6 Boys) – 5th
- Teddy (Year 6 Boys) – 7th

We are also delighted to celebrate team success:

- Our Year 4 boys' team — Tommy, Alfie and George — achieved a silver team medal
  - Our Year 6 boys' team — Freddy, Teddy and Charles — also secured a silver team medal
- We would also like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents for their incredible support throughout the season and for cheering on the children at each event. Your encouragement makes such a difference.

A wonderful end to a brilliant season.

Mrs Tandara and Mrs McCarthy.

# Woodside Easter Competition time 2026!



Entries in week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Winners announced on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

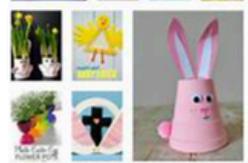
We are running our annual interhouse Easter competition again. Time to get your creativity flowing!

Your entry must be a 3D model and can be anything Easter or Spring themed.

Entries to be brought into school from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March where they will be displayed to the school until judging on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Please ensure your child's **name** and **class** are on their entry.

Winners will receive house points and a small chocolate prize!





# Family BINGO

**SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**  
**5:30pm – 7:30pm**  
**DOORS OPEN 5:30pm | EYES DOWN 6pm**

Join us for an evening of family bingo fun!  
Win delicious chocolate Easter eggs.  
Snacks, refreshments and bingo pens available to buy.  
Hamper raffle drawn on the night.

**ENTRY: £1 PER PERSON**  
Includes a bonus game card

**BINGO BOOKS**  
**£6 EACH or 4 FOR £20**  
Each book contains 6 game cards

Entry must be booked in advance via **Classlist**. Bingo books can be purchased on **Classlist** or on the night.  
**CARD & CASH ACCEPTED!**

We have been invited to enter an exciting competition by Wycombe Wanderers. Children may design a warm-up shirt and the winning entry from Woodside will be made into a real shirt for a player to wear on the pitch as they warm up!

Make your entries as creative and colourful as you can; the players will be choosing the winning shirts themselves!

In addition to this top prize, every entry will also receive a free child's ticket to the match vs Blackpool at Adams Park on 18<sup>th</sup> April, alongside a discount code for an adult's ticket at £12.50 (half price).

Your children will bring home a template today to help create their design. Don't forget to write their name and school at the top!

All entries must be in school by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March. Good luck!



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!