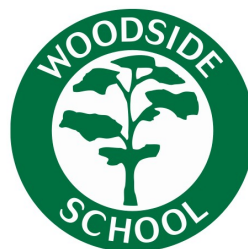


A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 14th November 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week at Woodside! Thank you to our wonderful PTA for all their support ahead of the Christmas Cheer event. We're really looking forward to this special occasion. A big thank you also to our Governors following yesterday's local governing board meeting, where teachers shared their subject action plans. It was great to see the commitment to driving improvement across the curriculum and Governors were really impressed with the level of enthusiasm for their subject shown by each subject leader. We were also delighted to welcome Mrs Hassan, who attended the meeting to introduce herself as our new SENDCO. Over the first half term, Mrs Hassan has worked hard to meet many of the parents with children receiving SEND support and I know that parents have been impressed with her level of knowledge and understanding of the SEND system.

A huge thank you to Mrs Tandara and Mrs McCarthy for their support with the children at the cross-country event last weekend. It was fantastic to see Woodside do so well and represent the school with such enthusiasm and determination. Well done to all of the children who received their medals in assembly this morning and congratulations to all who took part.

As the nights draw in, please note that children are no longer allowed to walk home by themselves after clubs, as it will soon be dark at that time. Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping everyone safe.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead, and thank you for everything you do to support our school community.

Mr Lloyd

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
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
21.11.15	Deadline for the Thames Valley Christmas Card Competition
26.11.25	Year 6 Dodgeball @ Amersham School
27.11.25	Year 5 KS2 gymnastics @ DCHS
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
12.12.25	Deadline for Rotary Young Artist Competition
15.12.25	Choir to sing for Age Concern
17.12.25	Chartwells Christmas Lunch
18.12.25	Carol Concert @ St Michaels & All Angels Church
19.12.25	Last Day of half term. School will finish @ 1.30pm No HOZ after school bookings, but breakfast Club is available.
05.01.26	Inset Day

[Click here for the calendar of 24/25 Term Dates](#)

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!



House Point Total

Week 2	570	534	476	486
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar



- A huge WELL DONE to Spencer in Year 5 who took part in the ITF English Championships a few weeks ago- he came 3rd place in special technique! Please see the photo here →
- Congratulations to Seb in Year 6 for receiving multiple medals in a Gymnastics competition last weekend.
- Emmie. S in Year 5 also won a Gymnastics medal at the same competition and as mentioned below, won a medal for Cross Country! Well done Emmie!
- Great effort from Evan, Raffy and Benjamin in Year 6 who collectively built a model of a military vehicle whilst at a summer camp in France and showed this to the school in Assembly this morning.



Cross Country Achievements – Hervines Park, Saturday 8th November

Our second cross country event of the season took place on Saturday 8th November at Hervines Park. Despite the challenging muddy and slippery conditions, all 50 children who participated showed fantastic resilience and completed the course—an impressive achievement in itself!

We are delighted to celebrate the success of several pupils who earned individual medals:

Olly – 2nd place, Year 5 Boys

Emmie – 8th place, Year 5 Girls

Freddy – 1st place, Year 6 Boys

Teddy – 4th place, Year 6 Boys

Audrey – 8th place, Year 6 Girls

In addition to these individual accomplishments, our **Year 6 Boys team** (Freddy, Teddy, and Hugh) secured a brilliant **2nd place team medal**.

A huge well done to all our runners for their determination and team spirit. We're incredibly proud of you!



Yr 6 Boys- Teddy, Freddy, Raffy and Hugh



Yr 5 Girls - Charlotte, Niamh and Emmie



Yr 3 Boys- Ronny, Ilyas, Felix, Levison, Noah, Pak Hin, Darwin, William and Jakob.

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

- [Christmas Card Competition](#)

Forest School Adventures – A Wonderful Journey!

Over the past few weeks, our Year 3 children have had an incredible time at Forest School, exploring nature and learning in the great outdoors. Today marked our final session, and what a special day it was! We gathered around the campfire to enjoy delicious crumpets cooked over the flames—a real treat to end our adventures.

The children also took part in a reflective moment for Armistice Day, observing the two-minute silence in the fire circle. It was a moving experience as they shared thoughts about what Remembrance means to them.

Another highlight was trying out our new hammers for the first time! The children loved creating patterns in the mud using colourful golf tees—such a creative and hands-on activity.

Throughout our Forest School sessions, the children have:

Explored the woodland and enjoyed time with friends away from the classroom.

Taken part in collaborative challenges like den building and minibeast hunting.

Experienced the freedom to run, play, and get muddy in the mud kitchen.

Made their own paints by grating chalk and mixing them into potions and muddy creations.

Tried Hapa Zome, the ancient Japanese art of printing with natural materials—bashing leaves and flowers with mallets was a firm favourite!

Created amazing clay sculptures, from marshmallows on sticks to pumpkins, pots, mice, hedgehogs, and faces.

Forest School has given our children the chance to work practically, creatively, and collaboratively, while taking risks and building confidence. It's been a joy to see them embrace the outdoors and learn in such a unique way.

Thank you for supporting these sessions—we hope your children have shared their adventures with you at home!

Mrs Harrison and Mrs Fox- your Forest School Leaders.

