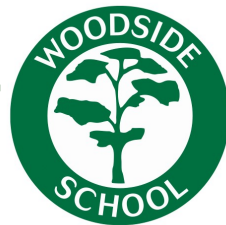


## A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 15th November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that we've only been back in school a couple of weeks since half term, as we've all been very busy! Yesterday was a great day, which really highlighted what it is that makes Woodside special. 120 children were taken to the cinema, with another 120 due to go next Thursday! The children were impeccably behaved and were a real credit to our school. The sight of 120 children joining the Metropolitan line in Amersham must have been a shock to commuters, but we received several comments on how well behaved and respectful our children were. Many thanks to Mrs Harrison for arranging these trips and all of the staff and volunteers who helped us make it happen. Special thanks to Mrs McCarthy who worked magic and arranged a special deal for our children's train tickets!

Since this half term has started, we've also managed to fit in the Year 5 trip to Oxford Natural History Museum, as well as visits to Amersham and Chalfonts Hockey Club for girls' football training. It's been a busy two weeks that really highlights the offer children receive at Woodside and how hard our staff work to deliver these experiences, which don't happen at all schools!

Year 3 have also participated in a workshop around developing resilience, delivered by the Bucks Mental Health Support Team. These sessions were a great success and the children were equipped with skills to help them when things get a little bit tough.

We've also had Play Leader training for our Y6 Play Leaders. They have been trained in several playground games and given tips on how to support their peers at lunch time. They're supported on occasions by volunteers from Dr Challoner's School, who have now started to volunteer at the school either supporting at lunchtime or by helping in classes. Both of these initiatives are great and really benefit our pupils.

There's always so much going on at Woodside. During our recent open days, Mrs Harrison shared many of the enrichment activities we offer at Woodside with prospective parents. It was incredible just to remind us of the many activities that our children can access and how wide-ranging they are in their topics. We really do try and offer something for everyone!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Lloyd

Please see page 3 in this Newsletter for the Half Termly letters for each Year group.



Don't forget, on **Monday 18th November** - Children can wear Odd Socks to school to show support for Anti Bullying Week!

### House Point Totals

This week	No House Points this week as no Celebration Assembly			
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar

## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
15.11.24	Year 4 Greek Day
18.11.24	Odd Sock Day for Anti - Bullying Week
20.11.24	Year 4 Girls Football AM at local school
20.11.24	Year 6 Cross Country @ Amersham School
21.11.24	Year 3 & 4 Cinema trip (details to follow)
22.11.24	Year 3 Gymnastics @ DCHS
26.11.24	Amersham Band Workshop - Year 4
29.11.24	4B Hockey Tournament after school - Invitation Only
06.12.24	Christmas Jumper Day
06.12.24	PTA Christmas Fair
09.12.24	Year 3 visit to St George's Nativity
09.12.24	Choir sing to Age Concern @ Chiltern Lifestyle Centre
10.12.24	Choir Christmas Concert - 6pm
11.12.24	Year 3 to Amersham School for Basketball
12.12.24	Year 4 production 1.30pm and 6.30pm
13.12.24	Year 6 Black History Workshop
17.12.24	Rocksteady Concert 10am
18.12.24	Carol Concert @ St Michael's All Angels Church
18.12.24	Masion Chef - Christmas Lunch

[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!



# Hideout Zone



## Dates for your diary...

- ◆ **Friday 15th November** - Come and join us for **Children in Need**, play some Pudsey games, crafts and cooking!
- ◆ **Friday 22nd November** - **Christmas Movie Night**! Come and enjoy popcorn and hot chocolate while enjoying the Christmas Movie - The Grinch.
- ◆ **Friday 29th November** - **Advent!** Join in the fun, making advent calendars!
- ◆ **Friday 6th December** - **Christmas Cooking!** We will be making truffle's - yummy...!
- ◆ **Friday 13th December** - **Festive Fun!** Tonight we are making cards, reindeer food, hot chocolate cones and colouring!

If you would like to book a space for your child on any of the above events, please log onto your MCAS app and book via the HOZ after school club in the usual way. Places are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment!!



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

- ⇒ Please click [here](#) to see details about Restore Hope's Nativity Light Trail.
- ⇒ If you would like details on the Sustainable Amersham Green Energy Fair taking place in St Michaels Church next Saturday, please click [here](#).

### Half Termly Letters by year group below.

Please click the year group to view the documents ...

- ⇒ [Year 3](#)
- ⇒ [Year 4](#)
- ⇒ [Year 5](#)
- ⇒ [Year 6](#)



**A huge well done to the below students this week...**

- ◇ To Florence and Anaya-Mai both in Year 6 for taking part in the remembrance parade last weekend for Chesham All Girls Band. Photo's to follow in next weeks Newsletter!



We'd love the children to create a Festive Jolly Jar to be sold at the Christmas Cheer.

You can fill your jar with sweets, small toys, small stationery items, pens/crayons, fidget toys, whatever you can fit in! Just make sure its a clean jar and any food items are in wrappers if including other items as well. And remember **NO NUTS** please.

Decorate and bring back to school on [Monday 2nd December](#).

**YOU ARE INVITED TO  
WOODSIDE SCHOOL  
CHRISTMAS CHEER  
FRIDAY DEC 6TH - 3.15 TO 5PM**



**STALLS WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS  
& STOCKING FILLERS FOR ALL THE  
FAMILY**

**HOT CHOCOLATE  
TEAS & COFFEES, CAKES & MINCE PIES**

**SWEET STALL, CRAFTS & GAMES**

**AS WELL AS THE WONDERFUL  
HAMPER RAFFLE - TICKETS ON CLASSLIST  
OR ON THE DOOR**



**EACH YEAR GROUP WILL BE RUNNING 2  
OR 3 STALLS SO PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR  
SIGN UP SHEETS ON CLASSLIST**

# WOODSIDE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CHEER CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE



WE WILL BE RAFFLING OFF COLOURFUL CHRISTMAS HAMPERS AT THE CHEER EVENT AND ARE ASKING FOR DONATIONS FROM THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

PLEASE BRING IN ITEMS SUCH AS BOTTLES OF WINE/TOILETRIES/FESTIVE FOOD ITEMS/SMALL TOYS & GIFTS TO INCLUDE IN OUR HAMPERS

EACH YEAR GROUP HAS THE FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS COLOURS;

**YEAR 3 - GREEN**    **YEAR 4 - RED**  
**YEAR 5 - GOLD**    **YEAR 6 - SILVER/WHITE**

WE WILL BE HOLDING A NON UNIFORM DAY ON **FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER** IN EXCHANGE FOR DONATIONS.

PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS WITH YOUR CLASS TEACHER OR THE SCHOOL OFFICE

**£1 PER TICKET**

**AVAILABLE ON CLASSLIST OR AT THE EVENT**

**RAFFLE DRAW 4.45PM AT THE CHEER EVENT**