

A word from Mrs Milner

Friday 8th April 2022



Dear Parents / Carers

First of all – I am absolutely humbled by the generosity of all our community. We, as a school, raised over £800 towards helping Ukrainian refugees. The cake sale and teddy bear tombola were both very popular. Many thanks again for your generosity and I am so pleased that the money will go towards such a worthwhile cause. A special thanks to Year 6 pupils for helping set up our cake stands, as well as to all the staff who made the day possible. It also goes without saying – thank you for all your kind donations –yummy cakes and some lovely cuddly toys that will go to their new homes. I would also like to mention Isla and Amelie from Year 5 who raised more than £90 for Ukrainian refugees. Well done girls for such a fantastic community spirit. Congratulations!

It has been such a busy term –on so many levels. I promised myself that I will focus on positives; however, I think that I have to mention that this term, in particular, was extremely challenging for the school. COVID, unfortunately, has continued to impact significantly on the staff's as well as children's absence. Nevertheless, we kept the classes and school open and minimised, as much as possible, disruption to the children. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff for all their hard work and dedication during this time. I hope that all Woodside staff will have a well-deserved break.

Woodside art under Mrs McCarthy's leadership goes from strength to strength.



A word from Mrs McCarthy:

We are very proud to announce that out of nearly 250 entries to the Chilterns Landscapes Art Competition, 10 out of the 30 selected winners are from Woodside School. Huge congratulations go to: Pippa, Agaran, Beatrix, Callum, Mahita, Alice, Juliette, Jessica, Scarlett, Dulcie. Well done!

They are now invited, together with their families to the prize giving ceremony at Wycombe Museum where Cllr Andrea Baughan, Mayor of High Wycombe will present their prizes. Well done to these talented Woodside artists and to all our children who took part in the competition.

A word from Mrs Croot:

This term, the Woodside Blogging Club have been busy writing a new chapter of 'The Last Sorcerer' and so, attached, is our latest copy for you to read—click [here](#). If you thought the chapter was exciting, things get even more dramatic as Tim finds out more about Granny's past!

In class, the whole of Year 5 have been enjoying their Geography topic of Rainforests and Biomes as well as their trip to The Living Rainforest which helped inspire them to write geographic articles about the issue of deforestation in the Amazon Rainforest. Please read the attached examples which are very successful indeed.

[Deforestation in the Amazon](#)

[The Amazing Amazon in Disaster](#)

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
Wed 27th Apr	Taekwondo Club starts back click here for details
Fri 29th Apr	Netball Club starts back click here for details
Fri 6th May	First Touch Football Club starts back click here for details

Upcoming term dates for your diary

Open Mon 25th April	Gates open: 8.35am
Close Fri 27th May	3.15pm
Open Tues 7th June	Gates open: 8.35am
Close Wed 20th July	1.30pm



Cedar



Elm



Maple



Willow

House Points: Termly Totals



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We were privileged to welcome Chesham Mosque to our school to deliver an assembly about Islam. The Imam spoke about the importance of fasting, the 5 Pillars of Islam and Eid - all linking to our RE curriculum. Thank you to Chesham Mosque for taking their time out to come and speak to our children. Thank you also to Mr Ahmed for organising this event.

I sincerely hope that Year 5 parents enjoyed our Easter Assembly as performed by our very talented Year 5 pupils. I was amazed by the children's talents – they sang beautifully and they all remembered their lines! This combined with the Rock Steady Concert on Tuesday, really gave us all something to celebrate. It was absolutely fantastic to be able to once again welcome all to the school, as these moments make primary education so very special. Thank you to all of the Year 5 team as well as to our young rock stars for putting on such great shows.

At the end of each term, I ask class teachers to nominate a boy and a girl from each class for Pupil of the Term certificate. This is to celebrate achievements of pupils who always uphold Woodside Values and are brilliant role models to the rest of the school. Well done to:

3JB- Joe and Isabelle

3FM- Freddie and Amelia

4C- Edie and Abel

4HM- Feyza and Andrew

5RW- Callum and Isla

5C- Lily and Luc

6DT- Emily and Hridank

6A- Reshmanth and Freya

You are all an exemplary role models to the rest of the children and need to be rightly proud of your achievement. Our staff is incredibly proud and I am sure your family is as well. Well done!

Last but not least –a huge thank you to our PTA who work so tirelessly to fundraise money for the school. Ladies and gentlemen –your work is invaluable and so very much appreciated by staff and all our pupils. Thanks to your work, the school is able to purchase all the 'extra' items that enhance the children's education. My pleas, as always, is to the rest of the community – please get involved and if you can spare some time –contact our PTA via the class reps.

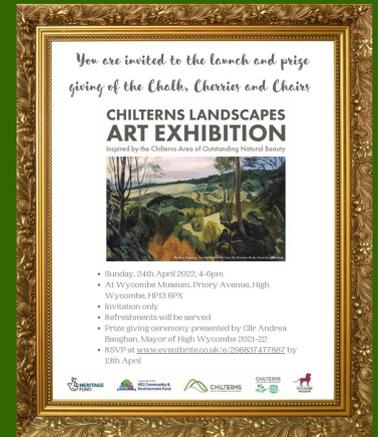
Just a last little 'nag' 😊 –please ensure that your child comes back to school wearing our summer uniform, including correct footwear. Many thanks for your support in the matter.

Boys and girls- thank you for all your hard work during this term. I hope that you will have a lovely Easter break –have a good rest and come back to us ready and eager to learn.

Parents – thank you, as always, for all your work with the children and support for our school. I hope that you all have a wonderful Easter. We will see everyone back on Monday 25th April at the usual time.

Dorota Milner

Out & About



More Woodside News

Safeguarding

As the children will be off school for two weeks and potentially spending more time on their devices, please find below advice for parents regarding e-safety. I will really urge you to spend five minutes looking through the website and reading advice given.

<https://www.childprotectioncompany.com/CPC/news/general/what-do-i-need-to-know-about-e-safety-for-parents/>

Please remember that safeguarding of children is our collective responsibility. If you are concerned about a child please contact First Response Team on 01296 383 962

You can also contact Mrs Milner, who is the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead on 01494 725 897 or via the school office

You can also call Police on 101 or 999 if child's life is in danger.

Summer Term Stationery

Please can the children refill their pencil cases with all of the essential items

- Several HB pencils
- 1 x Rubber (plain, not novelty)
- 1 x 15 cm ruler
- 1 x Pencil sharpener
- 1 x Highlighter (yellow preferably)
- 1 x Glue stick
- 2 x Black Drywipe Whiteboard pens
- 1 x Safety Scissors
- 1 x pencil case with coloured pencils
- 1 x handwriting pen

All items must be labelled- we do not take responsibility for any lost items

Summer Term Uniform

Girls

- Dress - Green and white checked dresses
- Polo Shirt - White polo shirt with the school logo
- Short Sleeve Shirt - White shirt with school tie
- Shorts- Charcoal grey school style (no three quarter length or culottes)

Boys

- Polo Shirt - White polo shirt with the school logo
- Short Sleeve Shirt - White shirt with school tie
- Shorts or Trousers - Charcoal grey school style

For more information on guidelines for school uniform and shoes, click [here](#)

Message from Chartwells Lunches

Please remember to book your school lunches by Tuesday 19th April for the first week back in the Summer term

[Spring / Summer Menu](#) [Meat Medical Diet](#) [Veg Medical Diet](#)

Wellbeing

Walking With You parent support group is a parent led support group for anyone supporting children and young people, up to the age of 25, experiencing mental health difficulties. Currently sessions are being ran by Microsoft Teams. Parents can join or leave as any point (meetings are not recorded). If you would like to join sessions or would like further information, please contact:

Roxy Uritescu,
Participation Lead,
Barnardo's Bucks CAMHs & Oxford Health NHS
Foundation Trust
roxana.uritescu@barnardos.org.uk

Please also confirm your consent to use your e-mail address.

Please find attached here lists of useful contacts such as CAMHS, Adult Mental Health, Childline, Mind and Young Minds as well as advice and support available for families in Buckinghamshire:

[WWY CONTACTS LIST click here](#)

[ADVICE AND SUPPORT AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES IN BUCKINGHAMSHIRE click here](#)

Also below is the link to help with Support with food, bills and finances (Helping Hand) –if anyone requires.

<https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/housing-and-benefits/support-with-food-bills-and-finances/>

There is a fun, exciting Children's Day On Sunday 1st May whereby all families can book free time slots to experience the wonders of the Chilterns through interactive storytelling, art activities, face painting and a scavenger hunt. Mrs McCarthy will be present throughout the day. You will also be able to see fellow pupils' artwork on display in the museum. Find further details and booking details are on the fliers here:

[ART EXHIBITION click here](#)

[CHILDRENS DAY click here](#)

Ukraine Refugee Day - a big thank you to all the children and parents for supporting—you raised £800

