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This term's school value is self-belief

Governing Body

The first federated Governing Body meeting took place on Monday 14th March. This was the first face-to face meeting in two years and it was lovely to meet in person instead of virtually. It was a great opportunity to say thank you to Governors from Steam Mills and Woodside Primary for all their hard work, particularly over the past two years. We are very grateful for all their support and their work as 'critical friends'.

Huge thanks are extended to Mrs Alison Davis and Mrs George Lewis for chairing the two separate bodies for a significant amount of time; their involvement has been invaluable. Both would like to step back from the role of Chair and we are all delighted that Mr Dave Wildin is willing to take on this role.

We are very fortunate to have such experienced Governors to help our schools, with a wide range of working backgrounds (including school leadership, police, HR management, IT, Early Help, family support, administration, NHS):

Click here to see who is on our Governing Body http://woodside.gloucs.sch.uk/our-governing-body/

Trip Well done to all KS2 staff and children for such a successful trip to Warwick Castle. The children were a credit to parents and the school and the feedback from the children has been amazing!

Andy Seed author visit KS2 children listened attentively to an assembly by Andy Seed. He visited to talk about 'The Story of Forest' based on the Forest of Dean. We have 10 copies to learn about the geography and history of our local area.

Rollo Reading Dog Well done to Dormice children for welcoming Rollo! He will be back to hear you read some lovely stories.

Cake Sale! Thank you for your generosity as an amazing £264 was raised for the British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal. It was a pleasure to see so many families in the school again and thank you so, so much to all helpers.

Term dates:

Term 4
28th Feb to 8th April
Term 5
25th April to 26th May
Term 6
6th June to 20th July

Inset days:

2nd Sept 2021
22nd Oct 2021
4th Jan 2022
27th May 2022
21st July 2022
2022-23 term dates and inset days are on the website

Other dates:

- Parents' evening dates 23rd and 30th March
- Weds 6th April sponsored Going for Gold day and Talent assembly
- Thurs 26th May Sports day and Jubilee Celebration
- Weds 29th June whole school trip to the beach
- 11th –13th July 2022
 Y5/6 residential trip















Supporting children with worries

Staff have been alert for any worries amongst children over the current news. Here is a useful link:

https://reliefweb.int/report/ukraine/ ukraine-5-ways-talk-children-aboutconflict

Thurs 26th May Sports day (morning) and Jubilee Celebration (afternoon). Save the date! More details will follow.

Weds 29th June whole school trip to the beach! Details to follow.

Wrap around care

Breakfast Club is accessible from 7:45 and after school club runs until 4pm. Please contact the office if you want to book any places.

Going for Gold!

A sponsored **Going for Gold** day is being organised for Weds 6th April. The day will be supported by Prostars and will help to raise PTFA money to go towards the gazebo. More information will be on the sponsorship letter, which will come out shortly.

This is also an Easter themed day, which will of course involve chocolate! We are very grateful to Morrisons for donating items.

Promoting Diversity

This term children will be learning about:

- physical and neuro diversity-through awareness of different groups supported by Red Nose Day funding
- gender equality-British Science week beginning on 14th March;
 we will be raising the profile of famous male and female
 scientists
- religious diversity-through the RE curriculum and learning about Ramadan in April