

# Woodside Matters

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*This term's school value is tolerance*

What a cold, chilly week! Thank you for wrapping up warm! There have been some lovely hats and gloves on our yard at playtimes. We are having a focus on reading at the moment and would like to remind you that children should be reading at home to an adult regularly. In Fallow Deer class the expectation is 3 times a week, in Woodpeckers 4 times a week, in Red Squirrels it is 5 times a week. This is not supposed to be for very long but a little and often makes such a huge difference. Thank you for your help with this.

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: Hattie, Olivia, Florrie, Maeve, Layla, Jake, Morgan & Lily

Achievement: Demaris, Ruby, Bertie, Ruby, Lexi, Ava, Jensen & Lucas

Reading: Clara, Sabrina, Toby, Arthur, Charlie, Serin, Ellyn & Tabitha

Pro-Stars of the week: Arthur, Lola, Archie & Esmail

Congratulations to Skye for her success in rugby. Well done to Olivia, Lola, Florrie, Toby, Charlie, Clara, Sabrina and Ella for sharing all their achievements in joining Rainbows, football, rugby and swimming. Brilliant!



We'd like to ask all children who bring in a snack for playtime to help us reduce our waste and care for the environment. Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack; ideally fruit or vegetables. We'd like to ask that no snack is brought in if it is wrapped up in a plastic wrapper or box. Things like fruit, vegetables, little slices of cheese, breadsticks or rice cakes are all suitable snacks. If needed, these can be brought into school in a re-useable named pot or tub. Anything with wrappers, (such as yoghurts or fruit winders) please keep for eating at home or lunchtime. Children in EYFS and KS1 are all eligible for free fruit or vegetables at playtime so may not need to bring a snack at all. As a reminder, we also do not accept birthday cakes or sweets to share out in class, due to food allergies and intolerances for some of our children. Thank you for your support with this.

## Term Dates 2023-2024

### Spring term 2024

8th January—22nd March

Half Term: 12th—16th Feb

### Summer Term 2024

8th April—22nd July

Half Term: 27th—31st May

### INSET days:

May 24th

July 22nd

For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office. A weekly number will be drawn out with the winner receiving £5.

**Congratulations to  
Ellis  
who is the winner  
this week!**

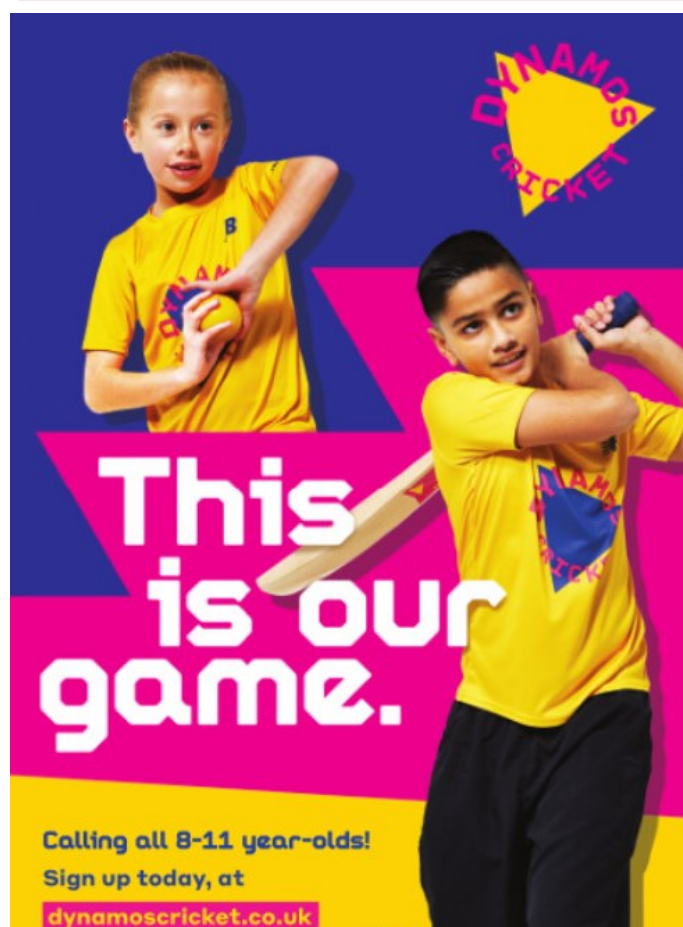


We promote British Values and uphold our own school values of **friendship, determination, respect, tolerance, courage** and **self-belief**. As a reminder our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are on the website should you wish to view them.



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Children will benefit from a short cricket session on January 29th, if your child is keen for more please see the posters for details.



Please drive slowly around our school entrance. Many children walk down or ride to school and we want them to be safe. If you are running late, please just let the office know.



#### Upcoming dates

22nd January—Skillzone trip Woodpecker Class

27th January—National Story telling week

29th January—Chance to Shine Cricket Day

1st February—Height/Weight check Reception and Year 6 children

9th February—PTFA Valentine Disco 4-6pm. £2.50. Payment via ParentPay please.

Children in Woodpecker class will be taking part in the RSPB's Big Garden Bird Watch this month. If they have binoculars they can use it would be really helpful thank you.