

# Woodside Matters

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*This term's school value is tolerance*

Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a good break over the Christmas period! We'd like to welcome everyone back to the Spring Term, it has been lovely to see the smiles and hear all about the holiday from the children. As ever with a new term there are new knowledge organisers, spellings and termly overviews. These are on the school website for you to check if you would like. We would encourage all parents to check the spellings particularly so you are able to support your child to learn the correct ones at home.

As we get into the Spring Term you may hear your child discuss some of the assessments we complete in school. Some of those are our in school assessment that we use to report to you as parents on our reports, others are the government ones including SATS. If you would like to find out more about these please use the link which will take you to a government information page with more detail.

[National curriculum assessments: information for parents - GOV.UK](#)

We will be holding our celebration assembly on a Wednesday this term so there are no certificates for this week as we've only just come back into school. If your child has an award or a certificate that they've received during the holidays and that they'd like to share please send in in next week.

We'd like to say a warm welcome to Miss Stevens who will be joining us to cover Mrs Matthews who will be starting her maternity leave very soon. Although we are all going to miss Mrs Matthews, we are very excited to meet a new baby Matthews and we're hoping that they will pop back into see us all when things are a bit more settled. Miss Stevens will be working with Mrs Freeman-Price, Mrs Price as well as with Mrs Toomer and Mrs Fawkes in our pre-school setting.

Finally, we'd like to say a big thank you for the cards and gifts we received last term. They are never expected but very much appreciated.

## Term Dates 2025

### Spring term 2025

6th January—11th April

Half Term: 17th—21st Feb

### Summer Term 2025

28th April—21st July

Half Term: May 26th—30th

### INSET days:

April 11th,

July 21st

Term dates for 2025-2026 will be available on our website soon if you would like to see them.

## 100 Club

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.

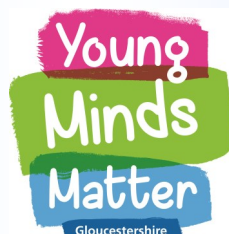


We promote British Values and uphold our own school values of **friendship, determination, respect, tolerance, courage** and **self-belief**. As a reminder our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are on the website should you wish to view them.

Childcare  
Choices



Mental Health  
Champions



West Gloucestershire  
Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

13th January—PTFA Meeting  
3.15pm all welcome

14th January Attendance Drop-in session with Mrs Fawkes 9-10am

16th January—Key Stage 2 trip to Caerleon (Romans)

23rd January—Caterlink assembly

29th January—Height/weight check for Reception & Year 6 children

3rd February—National Story Telling Week

4th February—Chance to Shine Cricket Sessions

7th February—In the Net play for Year 4 children

5th February—Year 5 and 6 federation afternoon

26th February—Young Voices concert

5th March—poetry workshops with Charlotte L Taylor

Ruardean Woodside Primary School PTFA Agenda - 13 January 2025, 3:15pm

Item	Description
1	Attendees and introductions
2	Review of actions from last meeting
3	Current financial status
4	Fundraising ideas
5	Any other business
6	Date of next meeting

NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that we can help children feel better and get back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

Poetry workshops

In readiness for World Book Day week, Mrs Gibbs has secured a day per school for a poetry workshop with Charlotte L Taylor, the author of Broken Twigs series. Details for each day will be finalised nearer the time but she will be joining us at Woodside on Wednesday 5th March. There will be a table set up at the end of the school day for children to purchase/ have books signed if you would like but we will send further details nearer the time.

**SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS 2025/26**

Gloucestershire COUNTY COUNCIL

Term Time	Holidays	Christmas Bank Holidays
Bank Holiday	Inset-Forest Fed	25 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Term 1: Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept - Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2025	35 days	26 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Term 2: Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov - Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2025	30 days	1 <sup>st</sup> January 2026
Term 3: Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan - Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2026	29 days	Good Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026
Term 4: Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb - Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2026	25 days	Easter Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
Term 5: Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> April - Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	29 days	Early May Bank Holiday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Term 6: Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June - Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	36 days	Spring Bank Holiday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Total	195 days*	Summer Bank Holiday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2026

A larger version of our school term dates for 2025-26 will be available on our website soon.