

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is tolerance

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: Dylan, Bodhi, Vinnie, Leyton, Sienna, Jake & Max

Reading: Zach, Riley, Maeve, Phoebe, Arthur, Tiana & Lily

Achievement: Savanah, Sierra, Lily, Fearne, Charlie, Lexie, Rowan & Niamh

Pro-Star: Frankie, Maggie

Congratulations to Tiana for her football trophy, to Angus for achieving his white and red martial arts belt, to Toby being awarded a trophy for being rugby player of the match and to Lucy who has been awarded gymnast of the week for her vault and beam work. Well done to you all!



Rights Respecting

We have achieved the Bronze Award for Rights Respecting and we are working towards Silver, meaning that the children will become more aware of Unicef's Rights of the Child and pupil voice will be strengthened through School Council. Children have had weekly Rights Respecting assemblies since September that cover a range of the rights covered by the charter. These are known as articles. This week our assemblies have focused on:

Internet Safety : Article 16- Every child has the right to privacy.

Article 17- Children have access to information, through the internet.

Spelling Bee Competition

As part of our work on improving spelling, we are entering a Spelling Bee next term. For the first round the children will be asked to spell words out loud. These are all words from the National Curriculum in their relevant year groups. Each school taking part will provide up to two winners from each phase (Year 1&2, Year 3&4, Year 5&6).

The winners of the class competitions will be invited to the final where children from different schools will compete against each other.

This final will happen on the 12th March at St White's Primary School.

Please use half term to revise so you are ready!

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

Class contact

If you have a class-based query, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance via the school office.

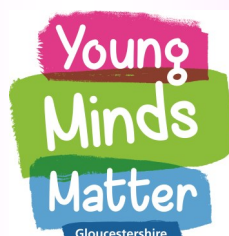
Please be assured that teachers will respond, but not necessarily on the same day. Teachers are not expected to respond whilst they are teaching or beyond 5pm; your patience is appreciated.

100 Club

For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office.

***Well done to
Ottie
who is our
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.



West Gloucestershire
Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

26th February—Young Voices concert

5th March—poetry workshops with Charlotte L Taylor

6th March—World Book Day

31st March—parent's evenings (Y1—Y6)

1st April—The Orchard trip to Puzzlewood.

1st April—parent's evenings (Early Years & Dormice)

2nd April—parent's evenings (R-Year 6)

11th April—INSET day

28th April—Class photos

Break time snacks

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.

One of our parents, Laura H, is taking part in the CoppaTrek half marathon challenge in the Cotswolds on 13th Sept to raise money and awareness for Coppafeel. If you feel able to donate please use her JustGiving page: https://www.justgiving.com/page/laura-hemms-coppatrekutm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM Thank you!

World Book Day

For World Book Day this year, we are very lucky to have local author Charlotte L Taylor to run poetry workshops with the whole school. She will be working with each class on Wednesday 5th March and selling her books/ signing books after school. There will be more information to follow, regarding prices for these.

World Book Day- Thursday 6th March- Children are welcome to wear pyjamas on this day to enjoy a 'bedtime' story and hot chocolate in their classes during the day.

Following our successful book swaps over the past few years, this year we are asking children to create a 'mystery book' to donate. If you have a book at home that is no longer wanted, please wrap it up in wrapping paper and attach some clues to the front of it e.g. If the book was Fantastic Mr Fox the clues could be- chapter book ages 6-9, animal story and adventurous. Children will then swap these in classes by reading the clues and deciding which book they are drawn to.

Gifts

A number of children are bringing in gifts for their friends in class. These are things they have made at home or they are swapping with each other. We have also had food gifts brought in. Please can these be kept for outside of school? We have a number of children with food allergies and intolerances that we do not want to put at risk with well meaning food gifts. It is also becoming difficult to manage when children feel they are left out. Please arrange to swap gifts or presents outside of school hours. Thank you for your support with this.

Caterlink

Thank you to Lee from Caterlink who came in to work with children in Key Stage 2 and helped them with their cooking skills. The children all had a great time!



