

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is friendship

That's another term completed! A very quick one but lots of events all the same: VE day celebrations, fundraising keep fit, STEM computing sessions, cooking sessions, walks in the local area, author sessions. There's no wonder there are some very tired children! We hope everyone enjoys a rest in half term. As the term has been so short you may find that staff have carried over some lessons to the start of next term. Please use the website to check or ask if you are unsure. New spellings, knowledge organisers and overviews will be added soon.

This week we have celebrated certificates for:

Dojos: Elliott, Frankie, Cai, Maeve, Arthur, Lola, Florrie, Ella & Sofia

Achievement: Lola, Angus, Reuben, Hattie, Josephine, Leyton, Bartie, Sophie, Jake & Lucas

Reading: Sabrina, Zach, Angus, Vinnie, Demaris, Brody, Freddie, Toby & Ruby

ProStar: Toby, Skye & Millie.

It is really lovely to see the range of awards that the children receive outside of school. This week we had Elliott and Sabrina with their swimming badges and certificates, Savannah with a huge range of badges from Rainbows, Bertie, Kayden, Charlie and Laiton with a trophy from a recent football tournament (well done for winning on penalties!), Phoebe with a certificate for her horse riding, Elliott for achieving his yellow and white martial arts belt, Jake for his football medal from West Brom, to Brody for his darts trophy for the highest score and Florrie and Lola who brought in a newspaper photograph of the VE day parade at Pan Tod. Finally, well done to Archie for coming 3rd in the dog show at Speech House with Stanley. Brilliant from you all!



Term Dates 2025

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

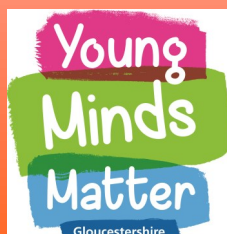
For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office.

**Congratulations to
Freddie
who is our
winner this week!**

It's a great way to support the school as money raised goes towards funds for the children.

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



West Gloucestershire
Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

2nd June—CyberSafety for parents meeting 2pm

2nd June—Year 4 multiplication check two week window

4th June—Year 3 and 4 sports event

10th June—School Council trip to Houses of Parliament

13th June—KS2 trip to Three Counties Show

18th June—provisional Sports Day afternoon

19th June—Year 5/6 Federation sports event

20th June—Drama Club performance to parents 2.40pm

23rd—27th June—Dene Magna induction week

24th June—moving up morning to new classes for September

26th June—moving up mornings to new classes for September

2nd and 3rd July—Five Acres Transition days for Year 6

3rd July—Porthcawl seaside trip Year 1 and 2

7th July—Year 5 Super Learning Day at Five Acres High School

9th July—Winifred Foley assembly

Rights Respecting

Children have weekly Rights Respecting assemblies. This week our assemblies have focused on:

Edward Jenner- Founded vaccines against small pox, eradicating the disease.

Article 24- Children have the right to the best possible health care Equality

Term time holiday requests

Although term time leave request forms are available from the office, this does not mean that holidays are authorised or the request will be granted. Parents should be aware that the law does not grant parents an automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. The Department for Education allows a Head teacher the discretion to consider authorizing a leave of absence in term time only in “exceptional circumstances”.

In the case of an unauthorised leave of absence the Head teacher may request that the Local Authority issue a Fixed Penalty Notice without further warning to the parent. Please note that such a penalty is issued to each parent for each child taken out of school. Fines may be triggered if a child misses 10 sessions of school or is in late, after the registers have closed. Please be aware that a normal school day is the equivalent to 2 sessions.

Leavers Hoodies

Hoodies are given to the children as a leaving gift funded by the PTFA. We'd like to thank the PTFA for this—and for the now very brightly coloured Year 5/6 classroom! Our Year 6 children were very keen to try them on. These can be worn instead of their school jumper for the last term.

Attendance

Thank you so much for your support with school attendance. Our whole school attendance figures are very encouraging with our school being above the national and local percentages. We're really grateful for all of your support in achieving this.

Attendance percentage

School	95.9%
National	94.8%
Local Authority	94.9%