

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is friendship

Time seems to be flying by! Another busy week with STEM workshops last Friday, VE day celebrations on Thursday and a day less with the Bank Holiday. Termly overviews are on the website for you to find out a bit more about the learning we are doing this term.

This week we have celebrated certificates for:

Dojos: Angus, Effie, Winnie, Edith, Josephine, Hattie, Jasmine, Theo, Phoebe, Max and Lucas

Achievement: Izzy, Anya, Maeve, Toby, Oliver, Jasper, Charlie, Chester, Eve & Marley

Reading: Dylan, Clara, Lucas, Nolah, Nyla, Corey, Jasper, Elliana, Daniel, Layla

ProStar: Clara

We had a real variety of awards from home this week. Well done to Phoebe for her horse riding rosettes, to Vinnie for his stage 1 swimming certificate and badge, to Hattie for her Go-Ape climbing medal, to Clara for her Stage 2 swimming badge and certificate, to Brody for his darts trophy, to Sophie for her gymnastics stage 6 certificate and badge and to Kayden for signing his contract with Cheltenham Town Football Club. Congratulations to you all!



Internet Safety

We are finding that a number of our children are watching YouTube videos that aren't really age appropriate and are playing games such as Fornite. Fornite is rated T for Teen by the ESRB, which means it's suitable for teens and older due to violence. In Europe, it has a PEGI rating of 12, suitable for ages 12 and up due to infrequent mild violence. Please make sure that you are aware of what your child is playing and watching online. Some of our younger children in Key Stage 1 are aware of these videos and have been sharing their content which has made a few children a bit anxious. We do have an information and support session coming up in June (Cyber Safety for Parents) which may be useful if this is something your child is showing an interest in.

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.

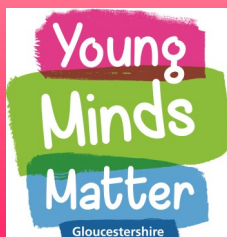
100 Club

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

Congratulations to Florrie and Noah who are our winners 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.



West Gloucestershire Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

12th-15th May Year 6 SATs week

16th May—Going for Gold sponsored keep fit event

19th May—Cooking with Caterlink for The Orchard children

19th May—Year 6 meeting with Dene Magna staff (at Woodside)

22nd May—David Walliams zoom session KS2

23rd May—Elmer Day KS1

2nd June—CyberSafety for parents meeting 2pm

2nd June—Year 4 multiplication check two week timeframe start

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

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

Rights Respecting

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

International Nurses week. Florence Nightingale- She was a social reformer who founded modern nursing. Mary Seacole- Helped in the Crimea War British-Jamaican nurse.

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

Assessment weeks

KS2 SATs week is coming up—please be aware of the days and different tests. Year 6 children are invited to come into school from 8.15am to share breakfast treat together before the exams from Monday to Thursday.

2.3 Key stage 2 test timetable for 2025

The tests must be taken on the scheduled day, and in order, unless an application for a timetable variation has been approved by STA (see section 5.6).

Date	Tests
Monday 12 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling: Paper 1: questions
Monday 12 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling: Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 13 May	English reading
Wednesday 14 May	Mathematics: Paper 1: arithmetic
Wednesday 14 May	Mathematics: Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 15 May	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

STEM day

We were very lucky as Mrs Toomer arranged for each class to have a go at a range of computing STEM activities last Friday. Children were able to have a go with programming probots to draw shapes, with VR headsets, with controlling sphero using different commands. Some of our older children were able to have a quick go at flying drones. (This wasn't part of the original plan so was a bit rushed but very much enjoyed!). A fantastic opportunity to have a go at using our computing skills in different ways.



Relationships and Health Education (RHE)

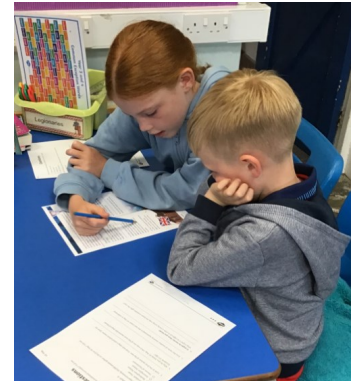
Please be aware that teachers will be delivering the Relationships and Health Education sessions in the summer term. Information about the scheme of work and policy can be found on the school website. Please do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher if you have any questions or wish to withdraw your child from the lessons.

Elmer Day

This year, EYFS and KS1 children will celebrate Elmer day on Friday 23rd May. They will be completing Elmer themed activities in their classes on this day and we encourage children to wear a brightly coloured item, in addition to their normal school uniform on this day e.g. bright coloured socks, bright headband. If your child has any Elmer books at home, they are welcome to bring them to school on this day to share with their class.

VE day celebrations

The whole school enjoyed finding out more about VE day with a range of activities that were completed in our house teams so the children worked in mixed age groups. It was wonderful to see the team work between older and younger pupils and it was lovely to finish with our own street party picnic with everyone all together.



RUARDEAN WOODSIDE MEMORIAL HALL

VE Day



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Saturday 10 May
2-5pm



1940's fancy dress (optional)

Bring a plate – (food to share)

Tea/Coffee & cakes for sale
Bar

Free Admission

Cyber Safety For Parents

Cyber Safety Parents Edition.

In an era where technology intertwines seamlessly with our daily lives, ensuring the cyber safety of our children has become paramount.

As the digital landscape continues to evolve, so do the challenges and opportunities it presents. This engaging presentation is crafted exclusively for parents, offering vital insights into the world of cyber safety.

Arm yourself with knowledge, discover practical tips, and join us on a journey to empower and protect our children in the ever-expanding digital realm.

Let's build a safer online environment together!

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Local events coming up—please see individual posters for more details.

HE'S BACK! JOIN US FOR A HALF-TERM FOOTBALL DAY WITH LUKE THOMAS

TRAIN WITH THE EX-CHAMPIONSHIP AND CURRENT BRISTOL ROVERS WINGER!

LUKE'S CAREER CLUBS INCLUDE:



VENUE: FOREST VIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL, CINDERFORD, GL14 2QA

DATE: WEDNESDAY 28TH MAY 2025

TIME: 9.30AM UNTIL 3.30PM

AGES: GIRLS AND BOYS, 5 - 12 YEAR OLDS

PRICE: £25

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE!](#)

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- FOOTBALL DRILLS AND MATCHES
- LEARN FROM LUKE HIMSELF, TIPS AND ADVICE ON THE PITCH
- AUTOGRAPH SIGNING AND PICTURES
- OPEN Q&A SESSION WITH LUKE
- VIDEO OF LUKE'S CAREER SO FAR

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