

Woodside Matters

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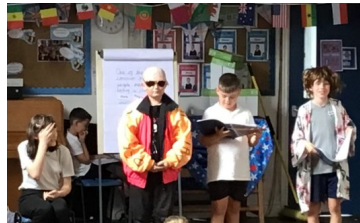
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This term's school value is Courage

What another busy week to end our academic year and what a journey it's been! We've been on lots of visits to new and familiar places—the beach, the park, Skillzone, Caerleon, Cheltenham Literature Festival, Three Counties Show, Parliament and Young Voices to name but a few. There have been sports events such as interhouse, swimming, fishing and Federation Sports. We've welcomed visitors and enjoyed sharing our reading skills with our volunteers.

The children have grown not only in height (some of you have definitely overtaken me!) but also in confidence, kindness, and maturity. They've shown resilience through ups and downs, kept going when things got tough, and learned that mistakes are just stepping stones to success. They've shown friendship and laughter, teamwork and creativity – all the things that make this school such a special place.

Thank you for your support, your encouragement, and for trusting us with your wonderful children. It's been a privilege to teach them. Year 6 – we will miss your energy, your ideas, and your personalities. But we're also incredibly excited to see what the future holds for you. We wish you all the very best as you start a new chapter in your lives at a new school. To everyone else, we are very much looking forward to seeing you all again in September. We hope you all have a restful summer, that you stay safe and well and enjoy some time with your families and friends.



Term Dates 2025-26

Autumn term 2025

Sept 1st—19th December

Half Term: 27th Oct—31st Oct

Spring term 2026

5th January—27th March

Half Term: 16th—20th Feb

Summer Term 2026

28th April—21st July

Half Term: May 25th—29th

INSET days:

September 1st

October 24th

January 5th

May 22nd

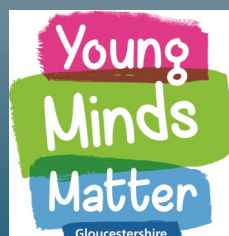
July 20th

These may be changed but are an indication for those of you who want to plan early.

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.

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.



Upcoming dates

21st July—INSET day no children required please

1st Sept—INSET day no children required please

8th September—swimming for Year 2 and Year 6 children

25th September—MacMillan Coffee morning

26th September—individual photographs

7th October—possible Science trip Year 5 and 6

15th October—Cheltenham Literature Festival Year 3 & 4

20th October—Flu vaccinations

27th October—Half term

7th November—Life Education Bus

Rights Respecting

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

Amelia Earhart birthday-

Article 29- Develop children's personality and talents

Individual liberty/ equality

This week we have celebrated certificates for:

Dojos: Sierra, Angus, Vinnie, Knox, Frankie, Toby, Arthur, Skye, Ava, Elena & Freya

Achievement: Ottie, Dylan, Demaris, Bodhi, Louie, Phoebe, Ruby, Max, Dylan & Lily

Reading: Eva, Effie, Vinnie, Anya, Rueben, Clara, Sabrina, Fearne, Corey, Freddie, Maggie & Layla

ProStar: Arthur & Lexie

Well done to Max who has been awarded his purple and white belt for martial arts (this belt needs you to have been working towards it for 5 years!) , to Jake, Brody and Vinnie for their trophies for darts, to Vinnie for his 25m swimming certificate and to Maggie for her success at a recent baton twirling competition. Well done to Elena who received the Maurice Bent award, Ruby and Daniel who received the peer award and Millie who was awarded the Jim Hale trophy for Year 6.

Huge congratulations to our kitchen staff, Lorna and Sandra. They have been awarded a certificate of excellence by Navitas, the kitchen inspectors. This is a great end to term and a true reflection of the lovely food produced for our children and the standard of our kitchen. Well done ladies !!!

Local community links— Harvest Festival at the Village Hall

As part of our links with the local community we'd like to raise awareness that Harvest festival will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday 6th September. We'd like to ask children to bring in food/produce on Friday 5th September so it can be auctioned off, this then gives the older residents of Woodside a party at Christmas time.

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	95.6%
National	94.8%
Local Authority	94.9%

