

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is determination

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: George, Paige, Knox, Savannah, Demaris, Skye, Milo, Joe & Serin

Reading: Joshua, Chloe, Savannah, Anya, Louie, Nyla, Callie & Archie

Achievement: Effie, Bodhi, Sabrina, Hattie, Flynn, Knox, Bartie & Evie

Pro-star: Reuben & Chloe

School Value Award (linked to the International Day of Peace): Olivia, Sabrina, Charlie, Gregory

Congratulations to Sophie for moving to level 5 swimming, to Sierra for her Merit 2 award for roller skating, Nyla for her mountain biking success, Lucy for her silver rookie lifeguard award and becoming a helper in her Brownie six, Clay, Arthur and Reuben for their football success—7 goals and a player of the match, Jake for his most improved darts player award, Vinnie for player of the week for football, Bertie for his ruby trophy and doing well in darts.

Access to reception

Please can we ask parents not to let others through the small gate at the top by our reception area? Our school office staff monitor who is coming onto the school grounds and will let people through when required. Thank you for helping to keep our site safe and secure.

Rights Respecting

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

Rosh Hashanah- Jewish festival encourages reflection-

Article 30- Children have the right to their own language, culture and religion.

Tolerance and mutual respect, Individual liberty

Flu vaccinations on the 20th October

Please can parents make sure they have filled in the form at:

<https://www.ghcimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Our school code is GC115519

Term Dates 2025-26

Autumn term 2025

Sept 1st—19th December

Half Term: 27th —31st Oct

Spring term 2026

5th January—27th March

Half Term: 16th—20th Feb

Summer Term 2026

13th April—20th July

Half Term: May 25th—29th

INSET days:

October 24th

January 5th

May 22nd

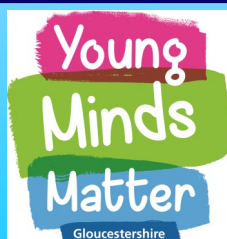
July 20th

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.



West Gloucestershire
Schools Partnership

Upcoming dates

6th October—Parents evening

8th October—Grace Tucker visiting for assembly

13th October—Community Van visit to school

13th October—Cheltenham Literature Festival Year 3 & 4

15th October—Parent's evening

20th October—Flu vaccinations

21st October—Federation morning for Year 1 and 2

22nd October—open morning

23rd October—PTFA Halloween Disco

24th October—INSET day for staff

27th October—Half term

7th November—Life Education Bus

11th November—Science trip Key Stage 2

19th December—last day of Autumn Term

5th January—INSET day

6th January—Spring Term starts

11th February—Year 5 and 6 Federation afternoon

Lockdown Practice Drill

In the coming days, we will be carrying out a **lockdown practice drill** in school. This is just like a fire drill – a way to make sure everyone knows what to do to stay safe in an emergency.

There is no cause for concern, and staff will explain it to pupils in a calm, age-appropriate way. It's simply part of keeping our school a safe place for everyone.

100 Club

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

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

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	97.0%
National	96.2%
Local Authority	96.3%

Supporting Students with Homework and Break Times

We understand how important break times are for our students – they provide a valuable opportunity for children to rest, recharge, and build friendships. We also believe in helping our learners develop healthy habits around responsibility and time management from an early age.

From time to time, a student may be asked to use a small portion of their break to catch up on incomplete homework or classroom tasks. This is never intended as a punishment, but rather as a way to support them in staying on track with their learning in a calm and encouraging environment. We always aim to find a balance that prioritises student well-being while also helping them build confidence in managing their workload.

We're very grateful for the support parents offer as part of the home-school agreement with reading, spelling and maths. If you are having any difficulties with the homework tasks please contact the class teacher so support can be arranged. The expectations and days homework is due can be found on the individual class pages on our website.

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Where: Woodside school

When: 23 Oct 25

Timings: KS1 4:30-5:30pm
KS2 5:45-6:45pm

Price: £3 per child- includes a bag of crisps and unlimited squash

Book on Parentpay today!

This is a PTFA fundraiser



Ruardean Hill Sports Club



Saturday 4th October 2025

Sale starts at 8:00pm

All donations of produce are very welcome, please deliver to the club on the day!

All proceeds to the Great Western Air Ambulance!

Thankyou very much for your support.

!! Payment for Auction Items in cash please !!



Registered Charity No 270154



Find us at Woodside Primary School on 13th October!

Our **Community Engagement Vehicle (CEV)** will be coming to your child's school, at the end of the school day, to share what is going on for young people in the local area



Promote what is going on in the local area

Target specific local issues

Share the work of our partners

Signpost young people for support

Contact us: hi.ya@fvaf.org.uk

