

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is tolerance

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: Mabel, Knox, Phoebe, Sierra, Toby, Lucy, Charlie & Phoebe
Reading: Effie, Noah, William, Ferne, Vinnie, Jasper, Everleigh, Alyssa & Bartie
Achievement: Effie, Nolah, Demaris, Josephine, Knox, Kayden, Bertie, Oliver & Joe
Pro-star: Tommy, Angus, Jake & Sienna
Rights respecting award: Oliver, Savanah, Elliott, Ella & Ava

World Book Day

World book day is on Thursday 5th March. To celebrate this year, children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their pyjamas, as we will be enjoying a hot chocolate and story.

We will also be running a book swap similar to previous years. Please wrap a book up at home and write 3 clues on the front of the paper e.g. The Gruffalo- preschool/ EYFS book, animals, forest. Children will be able to bring these books into their classes and swap as a mystery book. They will then keep the book that they have chosen from the swap. Please can we ask that books are age appropriate for the class your child is in.

Children will be completing other book themed activities during the school day and we are really looking forward to it!

Rights Respecting

This week our assemblies have focused on:

Holocaust Memorial Day -Anne Frank
Article 22- Children who fell their country from war as a refugee have access to the same rights.
Article 30- Children have the right to a language, culture and religion.

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I have a right to speak my own language and to follow my family's way of life



Governments should make sure children can learn the language, religion, and culture of their family if it is different from those of most people in the country where they live.

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If I am a refugee, I have a right to help, protection, and the same rights as children born in this country



If a child comes to live in another country as a refugee, they should have the same rights as children born in that country as well as special protection as a refugee. Governments should try to help find the family of any refugee child.

Term Dates 2025-26

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: May 22nd, July 20th

100 Club

Congratulations to

Chloe

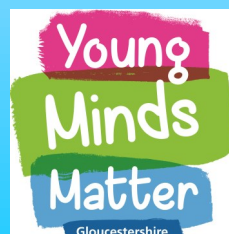
who is our winner this week



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 are a UNICEF UK Silver Rights Respecting School. 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

2nd February—Caterlink cooking session Year 3 and 4

9th February—Trip to Airhop, Gloucester DATE CHANGE

11th February—Year 5 and 6 Federation afternoon

13th February—PTFA Valentines Disco

20th March—Year 5 and 6 mock trial competition (not all children)

24th March—Year 1 and 2 Federation morning

24th March—KS2 trip to Warwick Castle

Upcoming dates

27th April—Young Minds Matter session for Y5/6. Coping with Stress.

1st May—Angling Taster sessions

Monday 11 May to Thursday 14 May 2026: Statutory key stage 2 tests. (SATS) Year 6 children

3rd June—Year 5 and 6 trip to Cheltenham Science Festival

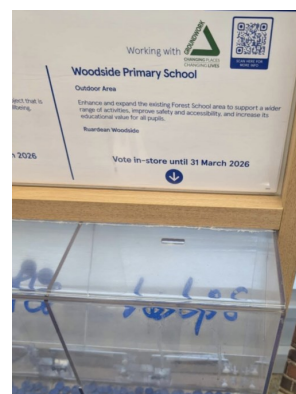
18th June—Federation sports sessions Year 3/4 Year 5/6

22nd June—Dene Magna induction week for Year 6

13th—15th July—Y5/6 residential

Every Little Helps!

Please help us! We're really fortunate to have been selected for Tesco Stronger Starts grants. If you are shopping in a local Tesco and receive a blue voting token please vote for us! We're hoping to raise money to improve our outdoor areas. Thank you so much!



Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces.

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“Children who live in homes where there is domestic abuse, or who experience domestic abuse in their own teenage relationships, can be negatively impacted by this experience.”

“We have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained about Operation Encompass procedures. This allows us to use the information that has been confidentially shared with us by the police, to understand how a child may be impacted by domestic abuse and to then offer support to the child/ren in our care.”

“This information means that we can understand a child's behaviour and support that child in whatever way they may need or want.”

“Children who experience domestic abuse are recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right¹.”

“Operation Encompass means that our school will be told, prior to the start of the next school day, when police have attended an incident of domestic abuse where there is a child or young person who attends our school who is related to any of those involved in the incident.”

“We are keen to offer the very best support possible to all our pupils and we believe that being part of Operation Encompass helps us to do this.”

¹ Domestic Abuse Act 2021

These are events in our local area that you may be interested in.



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AN INCLUSIVE CLUB IN MITCHELDEAN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
AGES 10-17 - £6 PER SESSION
CONTACT - 01594 826357
CHLOE.TUBMAN@FORESTPULSE.CO.UK

THURSDAYS TERM TIME VANTAGE POINT BUSINESS VILLAGE,
6.30PM - 8.30PM MITCHELDEAN GL17 0DD

Illustration of five diverse young people, one in a wheelchair, and social media icons for Facebook, X, and Instagram.

RUARDEAN WOODSIDE MEMORIAL HALL

Family BINGO NIGHT

Saturday 31 January
First Game to start – 7.00pm



Entry per person £2.50 – with Hot Dog. These need to be ordered and paid for by **Monday 26th January** via:

Bank transfer – Ruardean Woodside & District Memorial Hall Fund or cash to Mo - 543603

Account No 90713392/ Sort Code 40-17-24

If extra hotdogs at £2.00 required please add these to your order.

Valentine's Disco
Organised by Woodside School PTFA

Friday 13 Feb 2026
Woodside Village Hall

KS1 4:30–5:30pm £5
Includes a bag of crisps, unlimited squash and a goody bag on departure.

KS2 5:45–6:45pm £3
Includes a bag of crisps, unlimited squash and the chance to buy extras on the night.

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