

Woodside Matters

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This term's school value is self-belief

What a busy end to the term! Children have been on visits to Warwick Castle, taking part in mock trials in Coleford, joining Federation sessions, enjoying Easter experience sessions in school, having fun with the decorate an egg competition, finalising our votes for the science book awards as well as our normal school lessons. We hope everyone has a well deserved rest over the Easter break!

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: Poppy, Reuben, Frankie, Anya, Sienna, Archie, Everleigh, & Florrie

Reading: Reuben, Savannah, Eva, Elliott, Vinnie, Bertie, Corey, Phoebe & Jake

Achievement: Edith, Paige, Chloe, Dylan,

George, Freddie, Lucy, Layla & Marley

Pro-star: Savannah & Phoebe

Rights respecting award: Ollie, Fearne, Lucy, Nyla & Sophie



Congratulations to William and Noah who have been awarded their gymnastics proficiency 7 & 8 awards. They have both worked really hard the past few weeks to get their certificates. Well done to Lucy who came third in a recent bike trial competition and who is doing well with her football team. Congratulations to Florrie and Reuben who have done so well with their horse riding, coming first and second in a show jumping competition, well done to Bertie for his success with darts and to Elliott for achieving his next stage swimming badge. Finally, well done to Callie, Theo, Chase and Brody who took part in a rugby tournament and won. Brilliant!

Rights Respecting This week our assemblies have focused on:

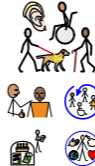
Down syndrome awareness

Article 24- Children should access the best possible healthcare.

Article 23- Children with disabilities should access a full life in society.

Equality/ mutual respect and tolerance

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If I am disabled, I have the right to special care and education

Disabled children should be supported to reach their full potential. They should be provided with activities with others so that they can be an active participant in their own community.

Governments should make sure disabled children receive an education, health care and opportunities to relax, play and do other activities.

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

Milo

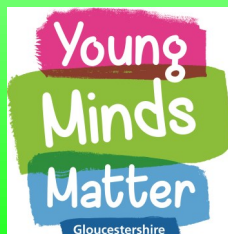
who is our winner this week



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

14th April—Stay and Play session for Early Years

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

10th June—provisional Sports Day

17th June—Reserve Sports Day

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



Be Part Of
STAY AND PLAY
WOODSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

£2.50 per session
incl. drinks & biscuits

ALL WELCOME | 10-11.45 EVERY TUESDAY MORNING DURING TERM TIME | MEET OUR EARLY YEARS TEAM, FAMILY WORKER, SCHOOL STAFF

BOOK NOW! | STARTING 14th APRIL 2026. STAY AND PLAY SESSIONS FOR 0-4 YEAR OLDS BASED IN THE BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS OF WOODSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL TO BOOK A SPACE

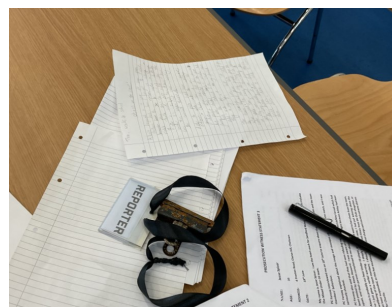
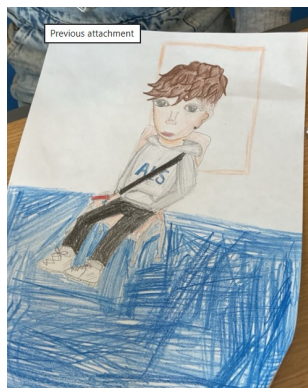
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Forest of Dean Primary Schools Mock Trial Competition 2026

Last week a group of brave Year 5 and 6 children took part in a mock trial in Coleford. They had to act out the prosecution parts, with some children being cross examined by the defence team. The children were absolutely brilliant and we're so proud of them! Although the defendant was found not guilty, everyone agreed it was a huge team effort. We are also really proud to announce that Serin won the award for best court artist. Well done to you all!



Warwick Castle Visit

On Tuesday children from Key Stage 2 went to visit Warwick Castle as part of our History work for this term. We learnt about the Battle of Hastings and took part in a mock battle of our own. We were able to explore the maze, climb the towers, see a birds of prey show, visit inside the castle, see some peacocks, watch a short film about how the castle developed from an Anglo-Saxon settlement to eventually a state-ly home as well as see a huge catapult called a trebuchet. A really busy day with lots of walking and climbing! Thank you to everyone who came with us to support.



Easter celebrations

We have had a busy time celebrating Easter throughout the school. Well done to everyone who took part in the decorate an egg competition. After a lot of discussion the winners were chosen as follows:

Early Years: Knoxley

Reception: Winnie

Year 1: Eva

Year 2: Clara

Year 3: Everleigh

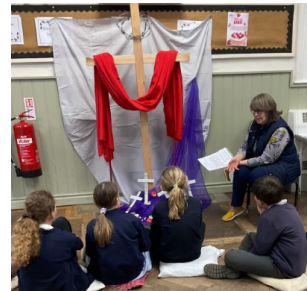
Year 4: Skye

Year 5: Phoebe

Year 6: Jake



We've also had Grace Tucker and her lovely group of volunteers who have helped run Easter experience at school for us. A huge thank you to them and Mrs Bushell for organising it all.



Children in Key Stage 1 were lucky enough to have a visit from the Easter bunny! Children were super excited that he left them some chocolate in their special Easter baskets.



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to you to explain how The School Nursing Service provided by Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust can support you and your family.

What does the School Nursing Service do?

The School Nursing Service works in partnership with families, schools, and other professionals to help children stay healthy, safe, and well. Our support may include:

- Providing advice and guidance on healthy lifestyles, sleep, toileting, healthy eating, and emotional wellbeing.
- Supporting parents and carers with concerns about behaviour, growth, development, or long-term health conditions of their child.
- Completing vision screening and measurements as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP).
- Working as part of a multi-disciplinary team to safeguard children and promote their wellbeing.
- Signposting families to local services and additional support where needed.

How you can contact us

Families can contact the School Nursing Service at any point during their child's time at school if they have questions or concerns about their child's health or development. No concern is too small, and our team is here to help.

You can use our texting service ParentChat on: **07312 263059**



You can also visit our website, refer your child for support, or access helpful resources by scanning the QR code or using this link:

<https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/children-and-young-people/physical-health/school-nursing/>

Kind regards,

The School Nursing Service

Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation Trust