



Newsletter 25

Friday, 4th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well. It has been a particularly busy fortnight at school with the Year 6 Osmington Bay Residential and a range of Easter activities this week.

Staffing News

I wanted to let you all know the impressive news that Miss Clarke has been offered the position of Headteacher at nearby Manor Fields starting in September 2025. This will be a great loss for Woodlands and certainly good news for Manor Fields. Miss Clarke has been a key member of the team since joining Woodlands nearly 4 years ago and has helped to continually move the school onwards and upwards; particularly leading with great passion in the areas of Behaviour, Maths and teaching Year 6. I am sure that you will want to congratulate her for this significant achievement, and rest assured that we will be making the most of her and her time left with us.

While the above is sad news the very good news is that Miss James (currently Assistant Head, English Lead and teaching in Year 5) was this week appointed as Deputy Headteacher starting in September 2025. I am sure that you will agree that this is great news for the school as we look to continue to build on the improvements of the last two years and ensure that we replace Miss Clarke with the best possible candidate.

Breakfast Club – upcoming special activities

As well as the normal activities on offer during Breakfast Club sessions Mrs Giles and Mrs Upshall have planned some extra special activities that will take place over the next three weeks. Please see below for some wonderful photos of the recent Easter activities.

W/C Tuesday 22nd April	
Weds 23 rd April	St George's Day activities / shields etc.
Fri 25 th April	Cress Heads



Oaktree Nursery – Easter Hat Competition Winner and some amazing Maths work



Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Alfie Barry-Stefano and Hala (FS2); Oliver and Anna-Lea (Y1); Everly and Macie (Y2); Kiara, Corey and Jerome (Y3); Alex and Lillie-Mae (Y4); Ashleigh and Ethan (Y5); All of Y6 because of Osmington Bay & the Outdoor Art Values Group (Y6).** This week the awards are for **Respect** and producing **excellent work**. Huge congratulations to these children.

Resilience, Kindness, Community and Aspiration form our other core values.

Woodlands' Values Art Outside Art Display

Many thanks to the Year 6 group who have worked with Mrs Payne to produce a wonderful outdoor Art display based on the school values.



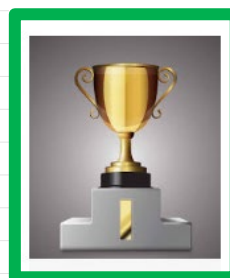
Safeguarding – Online Safety

As part of our commitment to help you keep your child(ren) safe online please look under the Safeguarding tab in our Online Safety section - <https://woodlands.wilts.sch.uk/safeguarding/online-safety/>

Please click here for the latest **Online Safety Newsletter – April 2025** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). The March issue looks at a variety of topics including Screentime, Social Media Concerns and Group Chats.

Today, **Green** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points. They enjoyed an extra playtime this afternoon. Very well done.

Team Points Cup					
Date: 04.04.25					
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue	
Y1	1	2	3	4	
Y2	3	1	2	4	
Y3	3	2	1	4	
Y4	3	2	4	1	
Y5	2	4	3	1	
Y6	4	3	2	1	
	16	14	15	15	



Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. This week (for the first time this year) **Acorn Class** are the winners with an impressive 96.6%. **Maple Class** are the league winners for the Spring Term with an impressive 50 points.

The Attendance Cup – Wk 10

1. Acorn 95%
2. Beech 94.3%
3. Cedar 92.2%
4. Maple
5. Hazel
6. Ash
7. Willow

Spring Term Final Cup Result			Pts
1	Maple		50
2	Beech		46
3	Cedar		45
4	Ash		42
5	Hazel		37
6	Willow		34
7	Acorn		31

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Osmington Bay 2025 – More photos will be on display at the Leavers' Service in July



Dates for the Diary

Easter Holiday	Saturday 5 th April – Monday 21 st April	School Closed
First Day of Term 5	Tuesday 22 nd April	Gates open 8.40am
Salisbury Schools' Mini-Marathon	Saturday 17 th May	9.00am start at the Laverstock Secondary Schools Site
Year 5 Sleep Over at School	Friday 13 th June – Saturday 14 th June	All night! 9.00am pick up
Key Stage 2 Sports Day – Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	Tuesday 24 th June	10.00am Start
Key Stage 1 Sports Day – FS2 (Acorn Class), Y1 & Y2	Wednesday 25 th June	10.00am Start
Final day of Term 5	Friday 23 rd May	Term ends at 3.00pm
Year 6 Leavers' Service for Y6 Parents	Wednesday 23 rd July	9.15am in the School Hall
Final Day of Term 6	Wednesday 23 rd July	School Closes at 1.00pm for all pupils and at 12.00pm for Y6 pupils.
TD Day – School Closed	Thursday 24 th July	All day
Summer Holiday	Thursday 24 th July to Monday 1 st September	School Closed
TD Day – School Closed	Monday 1 st September	School Closed
First Day of Term 1 for the 2025-26 Academic Year for all pupils apart from Oaktree Nursery and Reception (Acorn Class)	Tuesday 2 nd September	Gates Open at 8.40am
First Day of Term for Oaktree Nursery and Reception (Acorn Class)	Wednesday 3 rd September	

Kind regards,

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Headteacher