



Newsletter 27

Friday, 2nd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your families well.



VE Day (Victory in Europe Day) Celebrations – Thursday 8th May

On the 8th May 1945, people across Britain and other countries around the world celebrated the end of World War II in Europe. After 6 years of fighting which has started in 1939 the Allies (Great Britain, the USA, France and the USSR) had defeated Nazi Germany who has started the war when they invaded Poland on 1st September 1939.

This day became known as VE Day, which stands for 'Victory in Europe Day'. It marked the moment when the fighting in Europe stopped, and peace could begin after years of conflict, hardship and loss.

At Woodlands we would like the children to remember this important moment with a street party on the playground and by coming to school wearing red, white and blue (any combination of the 3 colours is fine). We have asked our catering company Clever Chefs to provide a packed lunch on this day. Therefore all school meals on this day will be a packed lunch and there will not be any hot dinner options.

Roll or baguette - cheese or ham
Veggie sticks
Yogurt
Either- Flapjack or brownie
Fruit - apple, satsuma, pear, banana

You will need to choose which baguette your child would like by Tuesday or alternatively your child can bring a packed lunch from home.

Whole school Lunch on the playground: 12.30-1.00pm
KS1 Play on the Playground: 1.00pm-1.30pm
KS2 Play on the Field: 1.30pm-2.00pm

Breakfast Club – upcoming special activities for Term 5

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 during Term 5.

W/C Tuesday 6th May	
Weds 7 th May	VE Day Crafts & Continental Breakfast
Thurs 8 th May	VE Day Crafts & Continental Breakfast
W/C Monday 12th May	
Weds 14 th May	Well-being Day – Mindfulness, Yoga etc.
Fri 16 th May	Women's FA Cup Final – Football themed day
W/C Monday 19th May	
Weds 21 st May	World Bee Day - Crafts
Thurs 22 nd May	Painting pots ready for sunflowers
Fri 23 rd May	Planting Sunflowers

After School Club

In light of the success of our Breakfast Club, we will shortly be sending out letters to canvas responses for After School Club. This would be available Monday to Thursday 3.00-5.00pm at a cost of £9 per session. Please look out for the letter on email next week, and if there is sufficient up take, we will look to open the club as soon as possible.

Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Waide, Archie and Ivy** (FS2); **Macie and Aaryah** (Y1); **Daniel and Paisley** (Y2); **Layla-Mai and Corey** (Y3); **Ruben and Isabelle** (Y4); **Georgia, Harry and James** (Y5); **Summer and Evan** (Y6). This week the awards are for **Kindness** and producing **excellent work**. Huge congratulations to these children.

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

Phunky Foods

On Wednesday Acorn Class enjoyed making coleslaw with Laura from the Phunky Foods programme.



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 – May 2025** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). Cyberbullying is the main focus of the May issue.

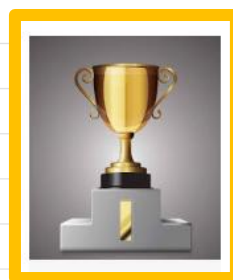
Preparing for the start of Summer!

This week has certainly seen the start of Summer with some very hot weather. Please can you make sure that your child(ren) comes to school with:

- A sun hat;
- Sun cream applied;
- A full water bottle.

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

Team Points Cup				
Date: 02.05.25				
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
Y1	2	4	3	1
Y2	4	1	3	2
Y3	1	3	2	4
Y4	4	3	2	1
Y5	2	4	1	3
Y6	1	3	2	4
	14	18	13	15



Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. This week **Ash Class** are the winners for the second week in a row with an impressive 98.6%.

The Attendance Cup – Wk 2

1. Ash 98.6%
2. Acorn 96%
3. Maple 94.3%
4. Beech
5. Hazel
6. Cedar
7. Willow

Attendance Matters



Summer Term League Table - Wk 2			Pts
1	Ash		14
2	Maple		9
	Beech		9
4	Willow		8
	Acorn		8
6	Hazel		6
7	Cedar		3

Tesco Stronger Starts Fruit and Vegetable Funding

As you already know we have been selected to receive funding from Tesco to spend on nutritious fruit and vegetables for our pupils through its new initiative, Tesco Fruit & Veg for Schools, a part of their national Stronger Starts community programme. Tesco's aim is to enable schools to provide at least one extra piece of fruit or veg to every child every day. This initiative will help to make sure that every child at Woodlands Primary School has a chance to access a range of delicious nutritious food. This may be as a healthy snack during the day, or something that they can bring home to include in your evening meal.

This week all of the children have enjoyed tasting edamame beans and a few classes tried passion fruit (it is fair to say that they were not enjoyed as much as the passion fruit!). If your child has not tried passion fruit, they will try it over the next few weeks, depending on availability in store



Dates for the Diary

May Day Bank Holiday Monday	Monday 4 th May	School Closed
VE Day Celebrations – Street Party on the Playground	Thursday 8 th May	Please refer to page 1 of this Newsletter
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
Half-Term	Mon 26 th – Fri 30 th May	
First day of Term 6	Monday 2 nd June	Gates Open at 8.40am
PTA Summer Fete	Thursday 17 th July	2.00pm-4.00pm
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 Oak Tree Nursery and Reception (Acorn Class)	Tuesday 2 nd September	Gates Open at 8.40am
First Day of Term for Oak Tree Nursery and Reception (Acorn Class)	Wednesday 3 rd September	

Kind regards,

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