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Newsletter 2 Friday, 5th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome and start to get to know our new Nursery and Acorn (Reception) children (please see some wonderful photos of the Acorn children on their first few days). They are settling in well and are getting used to our routines and enjoying their learning. Also, a warm welcome to all of the other pupils who have joined Woodlands this term and our new members of staff Mrs May, Ms Melbourne, Mrs Roderick and Mrs Sammons.



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Breakfast Club

I am delighted to announce that we have had a very successful first week of Breakfast Club. All sessions run from 7.15am to 8.40am. All the children who have attended have enjoyed a healthy breakfast and a variety of exciting activities. Spaces are still available for next week so please book as soon as possible to secure a place for your child(ren). Many thanks to Mrs Giles and Mrs Upshall for making sure the children have great fun!

After-School Club

We have also had a very successful first two days of after-school club. Sessions run from 3.00pm to 5.15pm (Mon-Thurs). Many thanks to Mrs Stokes, Mrs Collis and Mrs Swindlehurst for giving up their time to run this club and organising a range of exciting activities.

Woodlands Vision Statement & Values

As this is the beginning of the new academic year it is a good time to remind everyone of our Woodlands Vision Statement, including our motto:

"Growing together: Inspire to aspire."

At Woodlands Primary School, our collective vision is to provide every child with the fullest education and life chances they deserve, and to guide our children towards their best possible future. Together, we will continually strive to remove any barriers to success and fear of failure. We will celebrate achievement, progress and effective learning behaviours at every opportunity. We will provide a culture of aspiration and acceptance with children moving onto their next venture with the knowledge, skills and values to set them on the path to achieve their dreams. We will enable our pupils to drive their own futures to realise greater success and to actively shape our diverse community for the better, all working in tandem for the common good.

Our **Rules** are clear and simple and sit well with our Vision and Values:



I also wanted to remind all parents that we have an "Emotional Wellbeing" section on our Woodlands website which may be useful. Please feel free to request anything else that you would like to be included there. There are signposts to further agencies for support and activity suggestions for the children along with sections on Growth Mindset and developing Resilience etc.

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 – September 2025** -> <u>Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree</u>
<u>Nursery.</u> The September issue looks at a variety of topics including the Online Safety Act, Online Scams and Artificial Intelligence.

Dates for the Diary

Y5 Visit to Salisbury Cathedral to take part in	Thursday 25 th September	Arrive at Salisbury Cathedral School for
the Music Matters Concert		4.30pm
New Reception Parents Meetings (YR)	Tuesday 30 th September	3.10pm-5.30pm
New Reception Parents Meeting (YR)	Wednesday 1 st October	3.10pm-5.30pm
Non-School Uniform Day - £1 donation	Friday 26 th September	All day
Harvest Festival	Tuesday 14 th October	9.10am
		All parents/carers are welcome – please
		enter via the hall doors
Y3 Visit to Stonehenge	Wednesday 15 th October	All day visit
Final day of Term 1	Tuesday 21st October	3.00pm (usual finish time)
TD Day	Wednesday 22 nd October	School Closed to all pupils
First day of Term 2	Monday 3 rd November	8.50am (usual start time)
		Gates open 8.40am
Parents' Evening 1 (Y1-Y6 – but not FS2)	Monday 10 th November	3.10pm-5.30pm
Parents' Evening 2 (Y1 -Y6 – but not FS2)	Wednesday 12 th November	3.10pm-5.30pm
Children In Need Day – wear something dotty -	Friday 14 th November	All day
£1 donation		
Y5 Visit to the Tank Museum	Monday 17 th November	All day visit
Individual & Family Group Photos	Thursday 20 th November	am
Non-School Uniform Day – please bring a	Friday 28 th November	All day
bottle for the Christmas Bazaar Tombola		
Christmas Book at Bedtime – all pupils	Wednesday 3 rd December	4.30pm-5.00pm
Y5 & Y6 Choir to St Thomas' Church for the	Friday 5 th December	am
Christmas Tree Festival		
Acorn Class (Reception) Christmas Concert for	Tuesday 9 th December	2.00pm
parents		
Key Stage 1 Nativity – Ash Class (Y1) Parents	Wednesday 10 th December	2.00pm
Christmas Jumper Day – all pupils	Thursday 11 th December	All day
Key Stage 1 Nativity – Cedar Class (Y2) Parents	Thursday 11 th December	2.00pm
Christmas Discos	Friday 12 th December	5.00pm-6.00pm (Acorn & KS1 – Y1 & Y2)
Acorn Class & Key Stage 1		6.00pm-7.00pm (KS2 – Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6)
Key Stage 2		
Woodlands Christmas Bazaar	Monday 15 th December	2.00pm in the school hall
Christmas Parties – children can wear a	Wednesday 17 th December	Pm – No school lunches food to be
Christmas jumper on this day		provided
Final day of Term 2	Thursday 18 th December	1.00pm finish time
TD Day	Friday 19 th December	School Closed to all pupils
First Day of Term 3	Monday 5 th January	8.50am (usual start time)
		Gates open 8.40am

Kind regards, M Kitley

Matthew Kitley Headteacher