



Newsletter 4

Friday, 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start this week's Newsletter with a huge thank-you to all children and parents for the great improvement in attendance that we have seen during the first 12 days of term. We set an aspirational target of 96% for our whole school attendance and we are currently achieving this figure.

Attendance

Huge congratulations to Cedar Class who have already earned a special treat for having 10 school days at 100% attendance. This has meant they have been able to colour in every letter of the word Attendance and they will be having a special treat to celebrate this achievement.



September 2025 Attendance Challenge

*As a school we are continuously seeking ways to improve attendance. Our latest initiative is the **100% September 2025 Challenge!** If your child achieves 100% attendance in September then their name will be entered into a prize draw to win £10 worth of Tesco vouchers.*

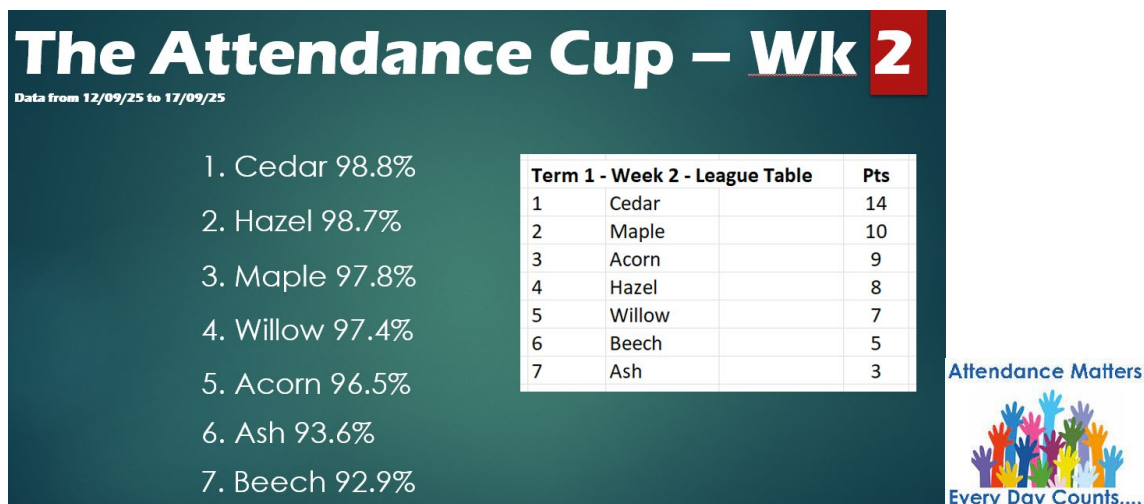


In order to meet the 100% challenge target children must attend school every day in September and be on time every day. If even one day is missed for any reason then unfortunately they will not meet the target.

**2 Lucky winners
£10 Tesco
Voucher**

Come to school every day in September 2025. You have to be in it to win it!

Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. I am pleased to report that this week we have again achieved our whole school attendance target with an overall attendance of 95.9%. This week **Cedar Class** are the weekly winners with an impressive attendance of 98.8%.



Flu Immunisations – Thursday 6th November

Flu Immunisations will take place in school on Thursday 6th November. Information leaflets have gone out this week to all pupils in YR to Y6 asking parents to sign up to give their consent. **This is done using the QR code on the front of the leaflet using the school code printed below the QR code.** Pupils in Oak Tree Nursery are eligible to be immunised via their GP.

Breakfast Club

We have had a very successful first 2 weeks 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 2 weeks 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 organising a range of exciting activities. **Please make sure you book in advance so that we can make sure all of the sessions are staffed.**



After School Club

We are proud to be able to offer additional wrap around care for your child/ren. Woodlands now has an exciting After School Club that is run by members of our fantastic Teaching Assistant Team.

Our after school club has a wide variety of activities, including:

- Movie and popcorn
- Card and board games
- Arts and crafts
- Bracelet making
- Slime creations
- Baking fun
- Outdoor activities (weather permitting)
- Themed afternoons
- ... And much more!

Currently available Monday to Thursday

Session 1 - 3:00pm - 4:00pm
Session 2 - 4:00 pm - 5:15pm

Snacks provided at every session.



Secondary School Places for September 2026

If your child is due to start **secondary school** in September 2026, you must apply for a place by **31st October 2025**.

New YR (Reception) Woodlands Primary School Places for September 2026

If you have a child who is due to start **primary school** in September 2026, you must apply for a place by **January 15th 2026**.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you would like support with your application as it is best to avoid late applications.

Please ring the Woodlands Primary office (01722) 335849 and speak to Mrs Williams to book a tour of the school.

For both Secondary and Primary places apply via the Parent Portal on the Wiltshire Council website.

Today, **Red House** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points and they will have an extra playtime on Monday afternoon next week. Very well done.

Team Points Cup					
Date: 19.09.25					
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue	
Y1	1	2	4	3	
Y2	1	4	2	3	
Y3	2.5	2.5	4	1	
Y4	1.5	1.5	4	3	
Y5	3	1	2	4	
Y6	3	4	1	2	
	12	15	17	16	



Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Nikola and Jenson** (FS2); **Olsi and Nikolas** (Y1); **Aaryah and Eloise-May** (Y2); **Daniel and Paisley** (Y3); **Kiara and Freya** (Y4); **Tina-Louise and Harley S** (Y5); **Arwen, Ella-Rose and Brooke** (Y6).


This week the awards are for **kindness** and producing **excellent work**. Huge congratulations to these children who have shown themselves to be great role-models.

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** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). 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 the Music Matters Concert	Thursday 25 th September	Arrive at Salisbury Cathedral School for 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 <i>All parents/carers are welcome – please enter via the hall doors</i>
Y3 Visit to Stonehenge	Wednesday 15 th October	All day visit
Final day of Term 1	Tuesday 21 st October	3.00pm (<i>usual finish time</i>)
TD Day	Wednesday 22nd October	School Closed to all pupils
First day of Term 2	Monday 3 rd November	8.50am (<i>usual start time</i>) <i>Gates open 8.40am</i>
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 - £1 donation	Friday 14 th November	All day
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 bottle for the Christmas Bazaar Tombola	Friday 28 th November	All day
Christmas Book at Bedtime – all pupils	Wednesday 3 rd December	4.30pm-5.00pm
Y5 & Y6 Choir to St Thomas' Church for the Christmas Tree Festival	Friday 5 th December	am
Acorn Class (Reception) Christmas Concert for parents	Tuesday 9 th December	2.00pm
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 Acorn Class & Key Stage 1 Key Stage 2	Friday 12 th December	5.00pm-6.00pm (Acorn & KS1 – Y1 & Y2) 6.00pm-7.00pm (KS2 – Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6)
Woodlands Christmas Bazaar	Monday 15 th December	2.00pm in the school hall
Christmas Parties – <i>children can wear a Christmas jumper on this day</i>	Wednesday 17 th December	Pm – No school lunches food to be provided
Final day of Term 2	Thursday 18 th December	1.00pm finish time
TD Day	Friday 19th December	School Closed to all pupils
First Day of Term 3	Monday 5 th January	8.50am (<i>usual start time</i>) <i>Gates open 8.40am</i>

Kind regards,

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