



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another action-packed week at Woodlands and the children have enjoyed taking part in Magic Lantern Drama Workshops and a special Remembrance Day Assembly led by Beech Class. Also, a reminder that individual and family group photos will take place next week on Thursday 20th November.



Remembrance Day Assembly led by Beech Class

On Tuesday Year 5 led a very special Remembrance Day Assembly. They explained why the poppy is an important symbol of remembrance using Michael Morpurgo's *Poppy Field* and read some of their powerful poems looking at the sacrifices made by soldiers in the First World War. Thanks to Mrs May for planning this assembly and also to Hazel Class who contributed by reading some of their own poppy poems.



Attendance

Following the success of the September and October 100% Attendance Duck Races there will now be another **Prize Draw for pupils who achieve maximum attendance in November**. There are 20 school days in November so most children should be able to achieve this target and be entered into the four Prize Draws for a £10 voucher.

Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. This week **Beech Class** are the weekly winners with a **good attendance of 97.2%**. This takes them to the top of the league table after the first two weeks of term.

The Attendance Cup – Wk 2

Data from 07/11/25 to 12/11/25

1. Beech 97.2%
2. Maple 96.9%
3. Hazel 96.4%
4. Willow
5. Cedar
6. Ash
7. Acorn

Term 2 - Week 2 - League Table			Pts
1	Beech		13
2	Hazel		12
3	Willow		9
	Maple		9
5	Cedar		7
6	Acorn		3
	Ash		3

Attendance Matters



Woodlands Instagram Account

Our school Instagram page is now up and running. If you haven't yet, please search Woodlands Primary or click on the QCR code below and follow us to stay up to date with all the wonderful things happening in school.



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!

As well as the normal activities on offer during Breakfast Club sessions Mrs Giles and Mrs Upshall have been planning some extra special activities that will take place during the Autumn Term. ***It is important to note that some of the activities require us to buy ingredients and materials in advance so pre-booking is essential to ensure that your child will be able to take part.***

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.**

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 Primary places apply via the Parent Portal on the Wiltshire Council website.

Today, **Blue House** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points with an impressive score of 17 and they will have an extra playtime on Monday afternoon next week. Very well done.

Team Points Cup				
Date: 14.11.25				
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
Y1	2	1	3	4
Y2	1	2	3	4
Y3	4	3	2	1
Y4	2	3	1	4
Y5	1	4	3	2
Y6	4	3	1	2
	14	16	13	17



Headteachers' Awards

Today, we celebrated: **Deon and Roman** (FS2); **Arnie and Hugo** (Y1); **Oliver, Jayden and Anna-Lea** (Y2); **Rosa and Ethan** (Y3); **Aaliyah and Peter** (Y4); **Hazel and Evie M** (Y5); **Ayesha, Ethan and Harry** (Y6).

This week the awards are for **respect** 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 – October 2025** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). The October issue looks at a variety of topics including You Tube Safety Controls, the risks involved when using Artificial Intelligence and the dangers of children using WhatsApp.

Dates for the Diary

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 – £1 donation	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 Market	Monday 15 th December	3.00pm – 3.45pm on the school playground
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>) Gates open 8.40am

Kind regards,
M Kitley

Matthew Kitley
Headteacher



Woodlands Birthdays

On your birthday:

- Wear your own clothes to school.
- Visit Mr Kitley to collect your birthday treat.
- Sit on the Birthday Bench during Headteacher's Awards.



What if my birthday is at the weekend?

- We will celebrate your birthday on the Friday BEFORE your birthday.
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What if my birthday is in the holidays?

- We will celebrate your birthday on the last day of term before the holidays.





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.




Breakfast Club

Welcome to the Woodlands Breakfast Club!

Come and join us for a **delicious, healthy breakfast** and lots of **fun activities**.

Available from 7:15am Monday to Friday for children in **Year R to Year 6**.

Please enquire in the school office for more information.

