



Dear Parents and Carers,

The last two weeks have seen Woodlands going into full Christmas mode with wonderful Nativities from Oaktree Nursery, Acorn Class and the whole of Key Stage 1. This week the children have enjoyed the Christmas Market, their parties (including a visit from Father Christmas) and yesterday the whole school Christmas dinner. As this is the final Newsletter of 2025 I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Key Stage One Nativity



Attendance

Congratulations to our two winners of the December Attendance Duck Race! Primrose and Scarlet were the lucky winners! Both children, who have all been in school every day throughout December, have each won a £10 gift voucher as a reward for their fantastic commitment. Well done to all of the 55 children who had maximum attendance in December and qualified for today's race. We will be running another Duck Race for all children with maximum attendance in January 2026.

In addition to this we were able to hand out 39 Attendance Gold Medals for pupils who have been in school every day since the 3rd September. This is a fantastic achievement – well done!



The CARROT Cup – Courtesy And Respect Reward Orange Token

As you know pupils can earn CARROT Tokens for particularly good behaviour / excellent work and the tokens are counted at the end of the Autumn, Spring and Summer Terms. Huge congratulations to Maple Class who are the Autumn Term Champions with an impressive 326 tokens!

1.	Maple Class	326
2.	Hazel Class	235
3.	Cedar Class	203
4.	Beech Class	180
5.	Willow Class	177
6.	Ash Class	106
7.	Acorn & Oaktree Class	81

Class Attendance Cup – every week we have a competition that celebrates the class with the highest attendance. Last week **Cedar Class** were the weekly winners for the second week in a row. **Congratulation to Hazel Class who have won the Attendance League for Term 2 with an impressive 36 points! They will enjoy a whole class reward early in 2026.**

The Attendance Cup – Final

Data from 27/11/25 to 09/12/25

1. Cedar 93.9%
2. Hazel 92.9%
3. Maple 92.0%
4. Willow
5. Ash
6. Acorn
7. Beech

Term 2 - Final Week - League Table			Pts
1	Hazel		36
2	Cedar		30
3	Willow		28
4	Beech		26
5	Maple		25
6	Acorn		15
7	Ash		12

Attendance Matters



Woodlands Christmas Market



Many thanks to all of the parents who visited our Christmas market on Monday. This was a very successful event and we managed to raise approximately £1000 for school funds (this includes the money raised from the School Christmas Disco).



Woodlands Instagram Account

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 will be planning some extra special activities that will take place during the Spring 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. In 2026 we will be offering some free taster sessions for different classes so keep an eye out for these sessions.**

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.

Last week, **Green House** won the trophy for achieving the most Team Points - very well done.

Team Points Cup				
Date: 12.12.25				
	Green	Yellow	Red	Blue
Y1	2	3	1	4
Y2	2	4	2	1
Y3	1	4	2	3
Y4	1	3	4	3
Y5	4	3	1	2
Y6	4	3	1	2
	14	20	11	15



Headteachers' Awards

Last week, we celebrated: **Everyone for the Christmas Concert (FS2); Everyone for the Nativity (Y1); Everyone for the Nativity (Y2); Alfie and Daniel (Y3); Freya and Aaliyah (Y4); Evie B and Archie (Y5); Brooke and Scott (Y6).**

This week the awards are for **aspiration** 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 – December 2025** -> [Woodlands Primary School and Oak Tree Nursery](#). The December issue looks at a variety of topics including AI Chatbots / companions, setting up new technology and staying safe when using Roblox.

Dates for the Diary

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 (<i>usual start time</i>) Gates open 8.40am
Year 6 Visit to the Milestones Museum	Friday 16 th January	Letters to go out on the first week back

Kind regards,

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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.

