

Wood Ley Community Primary School

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Newsletter

Dear Parents,
Thank you very much for your kind donations at Harvest Festival. We had a call from Stowmarket



Foodbank expressing their gratitude and sharing that we have donated the most food from every school in the locality. Your kindness will support so many people and make a tremendous difference. You donated over 230KG of food and essential items.



Read Aloud Challenge Results

As you know our children were involved in the National Read Aloud Challenge during the summer holidays. The impact this had on reading fluency for the children who took part has been impressive. The combined number of books read by our children over the course of the challenge was 1,444, with a combined reading time of 160 hours. Our top performing pupils were:

Joshua H, Florence H, Roman, Isabella G and Alexxis .
Joshua H was the runner up for his age group across the entire country. He read a staggering 130 books across 15 hours.

We are hoping to adopt this programme into our reading curriculum over the course of this academic year.



Odd Sock Day—Monday 10th November

Each year we celebrate Odd Sock Day to celebrate differences and promote the message of acceptance and anti bullying. By wearing odd socks people are encouraged to take pride in their individuality and respect the uniqueness of others. Children are welcome to wear odd socks to school on Monday 10th November . They can be as bright and colourful as you wish.

Star of the Week



We are very proud to share the stars of the week for October:

Hazel: Dominik Cameron

Juniper: Bradley, Evan

Acer: Harriett, Olivia, Georgia

Cedar: Nyla, Georgia H, Ceiyen

Poplar: Isabella, Thia, Jack

Maple: Mari, Henry, Remy

Beech: Erez, Evie, Riley

Elm: Noah, Sophia Lillie, Rebecca

Cherry: Evelyn, Hollie, Cora

Oak: Meera, Sophie, Neha



Pupil of the Week

We are delighted to share the pupils who have achieved the most dojo points across the school each week in October are:

Alex, Ana, Archie, Eliza, Benjamin, Cameron, Faith, Gracie, Meghan, Phoebe, Benjamin

SEND Drop In Thursday November at 2:30

Mrs Spinks is looking forward to meeting parents at the next SEND drop in session

Thursday. If your child is on the SEND register and you have issues you would like to raise with Mrs Spinks at the drop in please could you e mail her to arrange an appointment for the day.

Children in Need—14th November

We will be celebrating Children in Need on Friday 14th November. The school council have met to discuss the theme of **Challenge Yourself** for this years celebrations. Schools have been asked to consider the idea of challenge yourself to 25.. School council will be sharing their ideas with families over the next few weeks.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

We continue to encourage children to engage with TTRS which helps them to learn the times tables and we will share their achievements each Friday in our assemblies.

Hazel: Kyla Mae, Kyla Mae, Joshua

Juniper: Jack, Jasmine, Michael

Acer: Toby, Zachary B, Olivia, Taylor

Cedar: Florence, Florence, Ceiyen

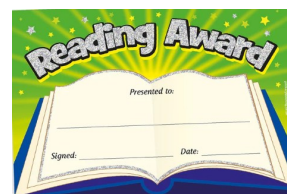
Poplar: Zackary, Zackary, Zackary, Toby

Maple: Rosie, Alexxis, Rosie, Alexxis

Beech: Caleb, Hasan, Caleb

Reading Awards

We are very proud of the children who have received our weekly reading awards this month..Reading at home, even for just a few minutes each day, helps your child build confidence, develop a love of stories, and make faster progress in all areas of learning..



Hazel: Arabella, Alex

Juniper: Elsie, Emily

Acer: Harry, Shindara, Taylor S

Cedar: Pippa, Leighton, Evie, Matilda

Poplar: Lili, Dexter, Oliver

Maple: Robyn, Charlotte, Amelia

Beech: Oliver, Caleb, Dakota

Elm: Harrison, Freya, Laila

Cherry: Roman, Stanley, Harley

Oak: Mia Rose, Beatrix, Finley

News

Working Together Reminder

At Wood Ley, we believe children thrive when school and families work together in a positive, respectful way. To help us maintain a welcoming and safe environment for everyone, we ask all parents and carers to:

- Speak to staff politely and respectfully – in person, on the phone, and in writing.
- Avoid swearing, shouting, or using rude language anywhere on the school site.
- Contact the **school office** if your message is urgent, so it can be dealt with quickly.

Remember that teachers are busy teaching . during the day – our working hours are Monday—Friday **8:00am–5:00pm** and we will always aim to reply to messages as soon as possible within these times.

Thank you for helping us keep our school a supportive and respectful place for children to learn and grow.

Governing Body News

Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent parent governor election. We are pleased to announce that the candidate with the most votes was Mr Grant Skinner. We are looking forward to welcoming Grant to our governing body.

School Events

Well done to all of the year 6 pupils who took part in the cross country event recently, we are delighted to share that Bailey and Ollie who went through to the next round competed against over 100 pupils from year 6 and year 7. Both boys were magnificent finishing in the top 30 resulting in them moving into the final round. Huge well done boys.

Football Teams

We are delighted with the year 6 girls football team, they represented the school incredibly well at the recent tournament. They demonstrated excellent teamwork which resulted them in winning their games.

The year 6 boys are next to compete in a local tournament in the next few weeks. They will undoubtedly make us very proud with their team spirit and excellent attitude . They continue to represent the school well.

Golden Ticket

Well done to all of our Golden Ticket winners for demonstrating our school value of **kindness**, we are very proud of you all:

Hazel: Eli + Abi
Juniper: Chloe
Acer: Thomas
Cedar: Aiyla

Poplar: Zachary F
Maple: Jack
Beech: Charlie

Elm: Dareon
Cherry: Levi
Oak: Gracie

Diary Dates & Term Dates

November

Monday 3rd—Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal assembly, Poppies on sale this week and next.

Tuesday 4th—KS1 and Foundation classes Dance Workshops / Y6 Boys football Team Training
3:20pm

Wednesday 5th—Y5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / GVP Dance Club 3:20—4:20pm

Thursday 6th—GVP KS1 Ball Games Club 3:20—4:20pm

Monday 10th—Odd Sock Day

Tuesday 11th—Y6 Boys Football Team Tournament at Stowupland

Wednesday 12th—Y5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / GVP Dance Club 3:20—4:20pm

Thursday 13th—GVP KS1 vBall Games Club 3:20—4:20pm

Friday 14th—**Children in Need Dress Up Day**

Wednesday 19th - Y5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / GVP Dance Club 3:20—4:20pm / Foundation
Tours for September 2026 intake

Thursday 20th—GVP Bll Games Club 3:20—4:20pm

Wednesday 26th—Y5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / GVP Dance Club 3:20—4:20pm

Thursday 27th—Suffolk Young Carers Group 2pm / GVP Ball Games Club 3:20—4:20pm

December

Tuesday 2nd—Foundation Tours for September 2026 intake / Christmas Tree Festival
Further details of our December Events will follow shortly.

School Term Dates: 2025 to 2026

Autumn Term

Monday 1st September 2025 – Friday 19th December 2025

(Half term - Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025)

Spring Term

Monday 5th January 2026 – Friday 27th March 2026

(Half term – Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026)

Summer Term

Monday 13th April 2026 – Monday 20th July 2026

(Half term – Monday 25th May 2026 (May Bank Holiday) to Friday 29th May 2026)

-pupil days or 'PD' days

Monday 1st September 2025

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Monday 5th January 2026

Monday 13th April 2026

Monday 20th July 2026