



Wood Ley Community Primary School



Newsletter

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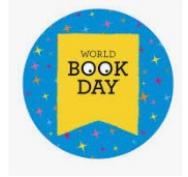
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Dear Families,

As we step into March, we warmly welcome you all and look forward to the brighter, warmer days ahead, bringing with them the first signs of spring and plenty of sunshine.

World Book Day – Reading for Pleasure Workshop
We are delighted to invite you to join us on **Thursday 5th March** for a very special **Reading for Pleasure Workshop** as we celebrate **World Book Day!**



This will be a fun, interactive and collaborative event where parents and carers are warmly welcomed into school to work alongside their children in class. Together, you'll take part in engaging reading designed to spark imagination, inspire a love of stories and share the joy of books.

During the workshop, you'll also discover simple, practical and enjoyable ways to support reading at home — helping to build confidence, fluency and, most importantly, a lifelong love of reading.

We are really looking forward to celebrating the magic of reading together and creating special memories through stories. Thank you for your continued support — we can't wait to see you there!



Forest School is Coming to Key Stage 1!

We are thrilled to announce that **Forest School** will be starting for our Key Stage 1. Our children will have the wonderful opportunity to spend time in the forest area, exploring the natural world through hands-on, imaginative experiences. From creating delicious "mud kitchen" masterpieces and building dens with friends, to bug hunting and discovering the changing seasons, every session will be filled with adventure and curiosity. Forest School offers so much more than outdoor play. It provides valuable fresh air and exercise, supports physical development, and promotes wellbeing by encouraging teamwork, resilience and problem-solving. It's a chance for children to connect with nature, take safe risks, build confidence and enjoy learning in a completely different environment.

Star of the Week



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

Hazel: Joshua Y, Elsie

Juniper: Emily, Jacob

Acer: Taylor, Callum

Cedar: Nathaniel, Furkan

Poplar: TJ, Freya

Maple: Hannah, Jack

Beech: Summer, Erez

Elm: Penny, Romani

Cherry: Amelia, William

Oak: Arthur, Abel

Pupil of the Week

Each week, we celebrate our *Pupils of the Week*, children who have aimed high, worked hard, and consistently demonstrated outstanding effort. These pupils have earned the highest number of Dojo points across their key stage, reflecting their commitment to learning, positive attitudes, and determination to do their very best. Well done to all our winners in February.!

Matilda, Amelia, Faith, Amelie, Ada, Jack, Buddy

SEND Drop In 30th April at 2:30

Mrs Spinks, our SENDCo, is here to support children and families and works closely with parents to help every child succeed. She looks forward to meeting parents at the next SEND drop-in session. If your child is on the SEND register and you have any questions, concerns, or issues you would like to discuss, please email Mrs Spinks in advance to arrange an appointment during the drop-in. This will ensure she has time to give your concerns the attention they deserve.

TIMETABLES 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: Matilda, Matilda, Matilda

Juniper: Jacob, Milana, Joel

Acer: Billy, Billy, Harry

Cedar: Ceiyon Ceiyon, Ceiyon

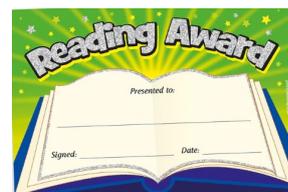
Poplar: TobyToby, Toby

Maple: Jack, Jack, Hannah

Beech Paisley, Poppy, Hasan

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 Charlie, Abi

Juniper Elsie, Milana

Acer: Mason, Olivia

Cedar: Nyla, Furkan

Poplar: Lillian, Charlie

Maple: Hallie, Xander

Beech: Lucas, Poppy

Elm: Isla, Sophia

Cherry: Harper, Cora

Oak: Gracie, Evie

Golden Ticket Winners

The Golden Ticket Winners in February were awarded the ticket for demonstrating our school value of RESPECT



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Guide Dogs for the Blind Fund Raiser

We were delighted to receive a letter of thanks from Guide Dogs for the Blind following our recent fundraising efforts. We are incredibly proud to share that we raised an amazing **£891.71** — a fantastic achievement and a wonderful example of our school community coming together to make a real difference. This generous amount will help support the training of guide dogs and truly transform lives by giving people with sight loss greater independence and confidence. The children were inspired to begin fundraising after a very special visit from a guide dog in training, which helped them understand the important role these remarkable dogs play. We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all our families for your kindness, generosity and continued support — it is very much appreciated.

Sustainability Workshop for Year 5

Our Year 5 pupils recently took part in an engaging Sustainability Workshop where they explored the importance of recycling and caring for our environment. Through practical activities and thoughtful discussions, the children learned how small everyday actions — such as reducing waste, reusing materials and recycling correctly — can make a big difference to our planet. They were encouraged to think about their own environmental footprint and consider ways they can become more responsible, eco-friendly citizens both at school and at home. It was inspiring to see their enthusiasm and commitment to protecting the world around them, and we are proud of the mature and thoughtful attitudes they showed throughout the workshop.

PTA Pre loved Uniform and Clothes Event on 13th February

We are delighted to share the success of our recent PTA pre-loved uniform and clothes sale, which raised a fantastic **£60** for the school. It was wonderful to see our community supporting a sustainable initiative that not only helps raise valuable funds but also encourages recycling and reusing items. Due to its success, the PTA is planning to repeat the sale in the summer term — so there will be another opportunity to grab some great bargains while supporting the school. Please keep an eye out for further information from the PTA about this and other exciting events planned for later this term.

Spot Light on Holly and Willow Class



This month we are shining the spotlight on our wonderful Reception classes, **Willow and Holly**, who have been busy enjoying some fantastic learning experiences. The children took part in a fun and energetic balance bike workshop, developing their coordination, confidence and resilience as they practised new skills. They were also thrilled to welcome a visit from our local vets, which sparked great excitement and curiosity. The children loved learning about how to care for animals and were particularly fascinated by the crabs and guinea pigs they met. It has been a joy to see their enthusiasm, thoughtful questions and growing confidence as they explore the world around them.

Diary Dates & Term Dates

March

Monday 2nd—Premier Sports Football Club 3:20—4:20

Tuesday 3rd—Elm Class forest Schools

Wednesday 4th— Year 5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / Mental Health Support Team—Parents Workshop—“The Value of Play”, 2-3pm / Gymnastics Club 3:20—4:20

Thursday 5th— World Book Day—Reading for Pleasure Workshops School Nurse—Height and Weight catch up for reception classes, Oak Class Forest School / Parkour Club Y4-6

Friday 6th—Cherry Class forest Schools

Monday 9th—Premier Sports Football Club 3:20—4:20

Tuesday 10th—Elm Class forest Schools

Wednesday 11th—Swimming Y5 / Guitar Lessons / Gymnastic Club 3:20—4:20

Thursday 12th— Oak Class forest School / Parkour Club 3:20—4:20

Friday 13th—Cherry Class forest Schools

Monday 16th—Recycling Assembly, Premier Sports Football Club 3:20—4:20

Tuesday 17th—Elm Class Forest Schools

Wednesday 18th—Y5 Swimming / Guitar Lessons / Gymnastics Club 3:20—4:20

Thursday 19th—Oak Class Forest Schools / Parkour Club 3:20—4:20

Friday 20th - Cherry Class Forest Schools—Suffolk Young Carers 2pm

Monday 23rd - Parents' Evening 3:40—6:20pm

Tuesday 24th—Elm Class forest Schools

Wednesday 25th—Guitar Lessons

Thursday 26th—Oak Class Forest Schools / Parents' Evening 4pm—6:40pm

Friday 27th—Cherry Class forest School Session

Last Day of Term—Friday 27th March 2026

School Term Dates: 2025 to 2026

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 13th April 2026

Monday 20th July 2026