



## A note from the Headteacher....

We have had a brilliant Spring term with so much going on at Woodfield. It has been great to see pupils excel out of the classroom in various sporting events, with a special mention to the girls Year 8 Rugby team who won all of their matches at the Redditch district competition and go on to represent them in the national final in London.

Added to this was the fantastic performances at Woodfield's Got Talent, where 17 acts danced, sang and played music for the audience.

Over the Easter holiday there will be a big change outside the front of school. Hopefully you saw in the local paper the story about the new traffic calming scheme. There will be a zebra crossing outside the Year 5 and 6 gate, and bumps placed from the traffic lights down to the main entrance. What we now request from adults collecting children is to park sensibly and make sure all marked areas are kept clear.

Finally, with a heavy heart, we are saying goodbye to Miss Doidge. After being here for 15 years (as Assistant Headteacher for the past 3 years), she has gained a well-deserved promotion as Deputy Headteacher at Catshill Middle School. She will be dearly missed by staff and pupils, and we wish her all the very best success in her new role.

Have a very Happy Easter everybody, see you in two weeks.

#OneWoodfield

Mr N Straw  
Headteacher

## Important Dates:

### April 2025

28<sup>th</sup> – Back to school (start of Summer Term)

### May 2025

5<sup>th</sup> – Bank Holiday

12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> – Y6 SATs

20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> – Y6 Trip to Yorkshire

26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> – Half Term

## Attendance



Parents/carers please ensure you report pupil absence via Study Bugs. There is a link on our website, or you can download the app. This needs to be done by 9:15am every day your child is off.

## Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs from 8:00am – 8:30am every morning and is an opportunity for your child to have a hot drink and cereal or a bagel in a warm, safe environment with a member of staff always present. There are games and activities available; your child can receive help or advice with homework, or simply spend the time with friends before lessons begin. Our Breakfast Club is FREE of charge to all pupils. Your child does not have to attend every day and you are welcome to select the days that suit you best. If you are interested in your child joining our Breakfast Club, please contact the office.



## Communication Policy

Due to commitments on their time, staff are not always available to see you in person, take your call or respond to your email immediately.

With the exception of safeguarding concerns\*, we aim to respond to calls and emails within 2 school days.

\*Any safeguarding concerns will be dealt with as a priority\*

Please note that our office hours are 8.00am-4.30pm so please do not expect to get a response outside of these times. Calls/emails marked urgent will be prioritised.

A reminder of our communication routes is on the last page. Messages can also be sent to the office/teachers via MCAS.

Please support us by following our Social Media accounts:



Facebook: [/OneWoodfield](#)

Twitter: [@OneWoodfield](#)

Instagram: [OneWoodfield](#)

## School Driveway

Parents/Carers are reminded that the school driveway is not to be used for drop-off or collection unless there is a medical reason, or it is an emergency.

## LPPA Award

Hello parents/carers. As a school we are working our way through a course which tells us how we work with you, and how we can improve. The most recent MCAS/ePraise coffee afternoon was something which came out of the LPPA award meetings and was very successful. Please keep an eye out for future events; they will be advertised in the KS2 notice board by the KS2 gates. We also have our suggestions box in reception. Any ideas you have, please pop into reception and drop them into the box.

Thank you - Mr Hale

**FRIENDS OF WOODFIELD PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION**

**V O L U N T E E R**

**WHAT'S MISSING?**

**U R**

We are seeking new members and volunteers to join our PTA. Come and help us support the school.

Please contact T. Golding to find out more at [goldingt@gov.bmat.co.uk](mailto:goldingt@gov.bmat.co.uk)



# Pupil Premium @ Woodfield

The Pupil Premium is extra government funding which is paid to support children in reaching their full potential

## Am I eligible for Pupil Premium?

Qualifying benefits are as follows:

- ⇒ Universal Credit, and your annual household income is £7,400 per annum (£616 per month) or less after tax, and not including any benefits
- ⇒ Income Support
- ⇒ Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- ⇒ Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, 1999
- ⇒ Child Tax Credit, provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual income is less than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC
- ⇒ Guaranteed Pension Credit
- ⇒ Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- ⇒ Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, the school receives additional funding to enable us to enhance our support.

We can support you with:

- Uniform costs
- Up to 50% subsidised costs towards school trips and residentials
- Targeted support for early readers, pupils in their SATs year and SEMH needs
- Musical instrument lessons
- A place at our Forest School
- A place at Breakfast Club

Scan the QR code to find out more and apply





## Spelling Bee

The Woodfield Spelling Bee Finals took place this week.

Well done to every student who took part in round 1 (all students will have received 3 E-Praise points from their tutor).

\* Children who were nominated for achieving the highest scores in their form will be given a certificate and E-Praise points.

\*Finalists will receive a badge for their blazer, a certificate, E-Praise points and an E-Praise accolade.

\*Runners-up will also receive a medal.

\*Winners will also receive a trophy.

KS3 finalists

Year 7: Zara 7LD, Abigail 7LD, Stefan 7HB

Year 8: Hamaad 8DA, Asvitha 8DA, Jessica 8DA, Lacie 8DA, Keegan 8HM

KS3 Runners-up: Asvitha 8DA, Lacie 8DA

KS3 Winner: Keegan 8HM

KS2 finalists

Year 5: Iyla 5CA, Mohammed K 5NP, Archie C 5FD, Ben 5FD

Year 6: Samuel A 6CP, Macie-J W 6CP, Aahil 6SH, Emilia S 6SH

KS2 Runners-up: Archie C 5FD, Samuel A 6CP

KS2 Winner: Macie-J W 6CP

## Library

A big thank you to Miss Whiteside for her book donation towards the library.



## Youth First Aid Workshop

On Monday, around 60 of our year 8 pupils took part in a youth first aid workshop where they learnt about what to do in an emergency situation, how to perform CPR and what procedures to use if they had to help someone in need.

The workshop was a great success. The pupils were very enthusiastic, asked lots of questions and showed great maturity. The behaviour throughout both workshops was exemplary and Mrs Hamer came away feeling really proud of everyone involved.

The representative from the British Red Cross was equally impressed and is eager to return to Woodfield to carry out further workshops.





Winners (left to right) **Bronze** Lydia Adams Year 8, **Silver** Paula Game Year 6, **Gold** Darcy Preston Year 8  
Congratulations!! 😊

On Tuesday 1st April we held the annual 'Woodfield's Got Talent'. Families and friends were treated to an amazing night of talent from Woodfield Academy pupils. Pupils from year 5 right through to year 8 put on a showcase of dancing, singing and music and to wow the judges.

Well done to those pupils who took home the trophies:

Darcy in year 8 won first place with an amazing dance performance, Paula in year 6 won second place with an incredible piano performance and Lydia in year 8 won third place singing. Runners up were Harlow, Evie, Emily and Chloe with a group dance, Alex playing guitar, Pola with a dance routine and Amelia singing.

Well done to all those who performed, including Woodfield's own dance and singing groups and to all who came to support a wonderful evening of talent.

Our next production is The Lion King Kids on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Tickets will be available via MCAS nearer the time. See you there!



## Forest School

This term we have been working on a range of skills in Forest school. The children have made soup from fresh ingredients over an open fire, they have whittled sticks and developed their fine motor skills, they have created MasterChef meals in the mud kitchen and used their creativity and imagination to create games, structures and hides for forest animals.





**REIMAGINE REDDITCH**

**LET'S CELEBRATE WOODROW!**

Enjoy your creations and together  
Planting Healthy Minds - Love Woodrow -  
Paint the Town Redditch

**FREE EVENT!**

**CREATIVE COMMUNITY PICNIC AND TRAIL!**

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April from  
12noon to 4pm.

Woodrow Centre, Woodrow.

Featuring Creative Arts Showcase,  
Solo Circus and Spoz!

**JOIN THE FUN!**

- Walk the art trail to solve the puzzle
- Watch walk-a-bout theatre
- Have a go at circus skills
- Laugh and cry with performer and poet Spoz
- Creative Activities
- Enjoy the community orchard
- Check out your new artwork
- Bring your own picnic
- Everyone is welcome!

**SOLO CIRCUS**

**Let's Play**

FUN | INCLUSIVE | EDUCATIONAL

**EASTER FUN DAYS**

SWIMMING, MULTI-SPORTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, BOUNCY CASTLE, PERFORMING ARTS, GAMING,  
LASER TAG, NERF WARS, LEGO BUILDING & MUCH MORE!

**Week 1: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Week 2: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

**Studley Leisure Centre**  
Pool Road, Studley B80 7QU  
**9.00am – 4.00pm**  
Early drop off from 8am, late pick-up until 5pm

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5 (SCHOOL YEAR 1) - 12  
**FROM £27.50 PER DAY!**

Discounts for siblings & full week booking - please see booking page for details.

**We accept Childcare Vouchers, Tax-Free Childcare & we are OFSTED registered!**

Please bring: Lunch, Snacks, Waterproof Clothing & A Refillable Drinks Bottle.

ACCEPTING HAF BOOKINGS FOR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN



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call 01344 508008 or email [info@lets-play.org.uk](mailto:info@lets-play.org.uk)  
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## Attendance Matters



Whilst we all know that it is inevitable that children will have periods of illness during their time at school, it is essential that we look at ways to minimise this and the impact it has on achievement.

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential – only pupils who attend school regularly can take full advantage of the educational opportunities available to them.

If your child is suffering from a minor ailment such as a cold or a cough, please consider sending them to school. We will always send them home if we feel they are too unwell to be here.

[NHS Live-well - Is my child too ill for school?](#)

If your child is worried or anxious and not wanting to attend, please contact school via [attendance@woodfield.bmat.co.uk](mailto:attendance@woodfield.bmat.co.uk) so that Mr Hanks can assist and support.

A **Request for Leave During Term Time** application form must be completed **PRIOR** to any holiday. Forms are available from Reception.

## What does your child's attendance % mean?

Yearly Attendance %	Total of days missed in a school year	Number of lessons missed in 1 school year	Number of lessons missed in 4 school years
100%	0	0	0
97%	6	30	120
95%	10	50	200
90%	20	100	400
80%	40	200	800
50%	100	500	2000

Good punctuality at school is just as essential for pupils to achieve their full potential as attendance. Being on time for school every day is an important step in forming good habits for later life. The impact of lateness soon adds up over a school year...





## Free School Meals

You may be eligible for free school meals if your child attends a state school, and you must be receiving one or more of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Support under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act, 1999
- Child Tax Credit, and your annual income is less than £16,190
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit, and your annual household income is £7,400 per annum (£616 per month) or less after tax, and not including any benefits.

To apply, either complete a form available from Reception, or submit an online application via the WCC Citizen Portal:

[https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/en](https://emsi.worcestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en)

### TERM DATES: ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/25

#### Autumn Term 2024

TERM STARTS	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024
	<b>TED Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024</b> <b>TED Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024</b>
BACK TO SCHOOL	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
	<b>TED Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024</b>
HALF TERM	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
TERM ENDS	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024

#### Spring Term 2025

TERM STARTS	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
	<b>TED Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>
BACK TO SCHOOL	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
HALF TERM	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
TERM ENDS	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2025

#### Summer Term 2025

TERM STARTS / BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
HALF TERM	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025
TERM ENDS FOR PUPILS	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025
TERM ENDS	<b>TED Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025</b>

#### Other Dates

GOOD FRIDAY	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
EASTER MONDAY	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
MAY DAY	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
WHITSUN BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025



## Communication & Apps

Telephone: 01527 527081

Website: [www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.woodfield.worcs.sch.uk)

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Safeguarding: [safeguarding@woodfield.bmat.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@woodfield.bmat.co.uk)

Head of Year 5 2024-25	Mr T Brook
Head of Year 6 2024-25	Mr M Hale
Head of Year 7 2024-25	Miss J Brettle
Head of Year 8 2024-25	Mrs P Grimsley



All parents/carers are encouraged to download the MCAS app. With this app parents/carers can access all our communications, make payments and consent to school trips, update contact details and book onto clubs; as well as view pupil behavior, timetable, school reports etc. If you aren't yet a MCAS user, please send an email to [office@woodfield-academy.org.uk](mailto:office@woodfield-academy.org.uk) with the name of your child/ren and an email with registration information will be sent to you.



Studybugs is our preferred method of reporting pupil absence.

## Daily School Equipment

Academy Planner

Blue handwriting pen

Coloured pencils

Ruler

Reading book

Pencil

Eraser

Sharpener

