

A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 8th December 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that this will be the penultimate newsletter of 2023! As we draw near the end of my first full term at Woodside, it's a good time to look back at some of the highlights of the term so far.

We've enjoyed a visit from Frank Cottrell-Boyce, who is a children's author and wrote sections of the Olympic 2012 opening ceremony. We celebrated Diwali with the whole school visiting a shrine set up in the dining room, complete with incense and a fog machine to enhance the experience. There have been many school trips, to the Elgiva theatre, the Natural History Museum and Oxford Science Museum amongst others.

We have also enjoyed a fantastic sporting term. Woodside children have enjoyed participating in a hockey festival, as well as competing against other schools in events hosted by Amersham School. Woodside has also kept up its tradition in the cross-country events this year, with many children taking part and even winning medals!

The last two weeks of school are filled with Christmas celebrations alongside our learning. I'm really looking forward to seeing the Y4 production of Cinderella & Rockerfella next week, alongside many of the choir events which Mrs Harrison is writing about in next weeks newsletter. Yesterday, I was privileged to take a group of Y5 & Y6 children to Radio Christmas, where they told jokes, read poems and performed Christmas plays. You can listen back to our show at the Radio Christmas website and can donate to their chosen charity, Street Kids Direct, by visiting their website at <http://radiochristmas.co.uk>.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Lloyd

Please click [here](#) to book your child's place for FTF Spring Term 2024

Please click [here](#) to book your child's place for Netball Spring Term 2024

Please click [here](#) to book your child's place for Taekwondo Spring Term 2024



Congratulations to...

Aad (Year 4), Benjamin (Year 4) and Suki (Year 3) for achieving STUDENT OF THE YEAR at Genesis Martial Arts!!

Dates for your diary

| Date | Event |
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| 08.12.23 | Mufti Day in exchange for PTA raffle items |
| 08.12.23 | Deadline for Rotary Young Artist competition |
| 13.12.23 | Year 5 Yoga @ Amersham School |
| 13.12.23 | Year 4 Christmas Production |
| 15.12.23 | Christmas Jumper Day, Santa dash and Christmas Cheer ! |
| 19.12.23 | Rocksteady Christmas Performance |
| 19.12.23 | Last Day of Term (Autumn) School finish @ 1.30pm |
| 04.01.24 | INSET DAY |
| 05.01.24 | INSET DAY |
| 08.01.24 | First day back to school for Spring term 2024 |
| 10.01.24 | First Taekwondo (after school) session |
| 11.01.24 | First FTF (after school) session |
| 19.01.24 | First Netball (after school) session |
| 29.01.24 | Year 4 Fitness @ Amersham School |
| 31.01.24 | Year 6 Benchball @ Amersham School |
| 02.02.24 | Year 5 Basketball @ Amersham School |
| 02.02.24 | Year 4 Hockey Tournament |
| 03.02.24 | Cross Country Event @ Lowndes Park, Chesham |
| 07.02.24 | Year 3 Mega Fest @ DCHS |
| 09.02.24 | Last Day of half term. School finish @ 3.15pm |
| 19.02.24 | Back to school - normal time |

House Point Totals

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| This Week | 346 | 406 | 342 | 360 |
| | Maple | Willow | Elm | Cedar |

[Click here for the calendar of 23/24 Term Dates](#)

Please see below a flyer from the PTA regarding the Christmas Cheer event next week...



CHRISTMAS CHEER STALLS

* GIFTS & STOCKING FILLERS * CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES
* RAFFLE TICKETS * TOYS * FOOD & DRINKS * SWEETS &
CHOCOLATE *

CASH & CARD PAYMENT AVAILABLE - PRICES FROM 50P TO £7