

## A word from Mr Lloyd

Friday 22nd March 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's definitely been the busiest week of the year at Woodside this year, with a school trip, poetry workshops, parents' evening and an Ofsted inspection! We expect that the report from our inspection will be published in around 6-8 working weeks and will share the report with parents as soon as we are able to. I would like to thank the many parents who emailed the school with supportive messages and those who I spoke to in person during this week. The community really rallied together to support the staff and it was lovely to see. I'm really proud of the work that our staff do here at Woodside and this week has been an opportunity to share all of the work that we do to provide the best possible environment for your children.

On Monday, Year 4 visited Bhaktivedanta Manor, as a school trip to enhance their learning in their current RE topic. The children explored the Manor and the surrounding grounds, including the Zen garden, which is where Mr Brown was stood as he heard of the Ofsted notification! The children really enjoyed their day and it's been lovely talking to them about the facts they learned during the visit.

This week, we also had a visit from poet Ash Dickinson. Ash led a whole school assembly, where he shared his experiences from his life as a poet and some of his work. He then visited each year group to conduct a poetry workshop and was really impressed with the standard of poetry being created by the Woodside children. Many thanks to Mrs Jonwood for arranging this!

Also on Wednesday, our fantastic Year 6 play leaders received training from one of the PE staff at Amersham School. They learned some new games and skills which they can use in their role as play leaders at breaktime and lunchtime, where they work hard to ensure that the children all have an enjoyable and active break time.

A couple of quick reminders as we head towards the final week of term! After Easter, we switch to summer uniform which means that polo shirts and summer dresses are allowed. Thursday 28th March is the last day of the Spring term and we have an early finish at 1:30pm.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you next week.

Mr Lloyd

- \* Well done to Thomas in Year 3, who passed his ABRSM Initial Grade Piano exam with a merit last week!!
- \* Congratulations to Anaya in Year 5 for reaching level 6 and achieving a medal in her gymnastics!!

## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
25.03.24	School Escape Rooms
26.03.24	Rocksteady Concert 10am-12pm
26.03.24	Spring Parents Evening 2
27.03.24	Year 5 Easter Assembly to parents 2.45pm
28.03.24	Last Day of half term. School finish @ 1.30pm No HOZ after school bookings, but breakfast Club is available.
15.04.24	Back to School - Normal time
18.04.24	Year 5 Amersham Field Studies Trip
22.04.24	After School Clubs re-start
25.04.24	PQA Workshops all Day
29.04.24	Year 4 Frisbee Tournament at Amersham School
29.04.24	Year 6 Personal Best at Amersham School
29.04.24	Year 3 Benchball at Amersham School
06.05.24	Early May Bank Holiday - School Closed
09.05.24	Year 4 Amersham Field Studies Trip
13.05.24	Year 5 Rounders at Amersham School
13.05.24 - 16.05.24	SATs week for Year 6
24.05.24	Last day of the Half-Term School closes 3.15pm

[Click here for the calendar of](#)

[23/24 Term Dates](#)

## House Point Totals

This Week	362	385	361	271
	Maple	Willow	Elm	Cedar



### Decorate an egg competition!!

Mrs Harrison is organising our annual Easter Egg Competition. She is inviting all pupils to design and decorate either a single egg or a number of eggs or even create a whole scene (shoe box size as the maximum)!

If you would like to enter, bring your entries to the hall on the morning of Thursday 28th March. Don't forget to include your child's name and class.

Please see below for some of last year's entries!!



- For more details regarding a new Sarratt Rebels Youth Football Club - (Year 3 only) please click [here](#)
- Please click [here](#) to read more about a new Restore Hope community hub opening in Amersham.
- Chesham All Girls Band are recruiting girls from Years 5&6 - click [here](#) for more!

## Kids Lunch Company

Please note that the 'kids lunch company' website will be updated for all new orders for after Easter from midday on Saturday 23rd March

[www.kidslunch.co.uk](http://www.kidslunch.co.uk)

All orders for the week commencing Monday 15th April after the Easter holidays must be placed by midday on Friday 12th April please.

## HOZ

Reminder from the HOZ with regards to pick-up timings and costs...

3.15pm - 4.15pm: £6

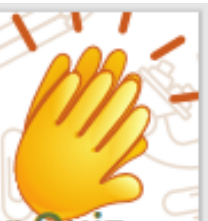
3.15pm - 5.15pm: £12

3.15pm - 6pm: £16.50

4.15pm - 5.15pm (after sport club): £6

4.15 - 6pm (after sport club): £10.50

# BIG THANK YOU!



To everyone who joined us on Saturday night for our Quiz Night! Together we raised £740 for the renovation of the school library and for the next phase of the project, to create an outdoor reading space for the children to enjoy. So a huge thank you for making it such a fun and successful evening!

If you weren't able to make it on Saturday evening, but would like to make a donation to the PTA fund to help us with this project, please scan our justgiving QR code below or visit <https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3066916>



Above are just a few of the items we are looking to purchase for the new library.

We look forward to showing you more progress on how the library is shaping up ahead of its reopening in April  
All donations of any amount are very gratefully

