

Woodhall Weekly



Friday 14th March 2025



It seems that the cold weather has made an unwelcome return this week, but here in the warmth of Woodhall it's been business as usual. And this week, our brilliant **ATTENDANCE STARS** winners have been busy celebrating their awesome attendance achievements! We all know how important it is to be **IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, EVERY DAY!** Children who managed to colour in...

★ ★ ★ **THREE** attendance stars: enjoyed an extra playtime,

★ ★ ★ ★ **FOUR** attendance stars: enjoyed an extra playtime **AND** wore their own clothes to school

and anyone who managed a whopping **FIVE** attendance stars celebrated by enjoying an extra playtime, wore their own clothes to school **AND** received a **GOLDEN TICKET** to our exclusive **ICE CREAM PARTY**...good times!!

Thank you to everyone who has donated an egg to our Easter raffle. The table is positively groaning with chocolate treats now and it is very difficult to walk past without feeling tempted...I have overheard many discussions about how hungry looking at the prizes has made them, which egg they'd choose if they won, how many eggs they could eat in one go...and that's just the staff!! Don't forget that raffle tickets are on sale **NOW** at **£1 per strip of 5 tickets**. Winners will be drawn at our end-of-term assembly on Friday 4th April.

We hear lots about **safeguarding children** and at Woodhall, we take a wide range of approaches to ensure that children know what to do not only if they have a **worry or concern about themselves** or someone else, but also in a wider sense such as learning basic **First Aid skills**, knowing how to **make a 999 call**, **road safety**, **cycling proficiency** and much, much more. This week, children from Year 1 to Year 6 took part in age-appropriate interactive workshops all about the dangers of **carbon monoxide**. With their guide, 'Safety Seymour', each class discovered the most common causes of carbon monoxide in people's homes (*which we can't see, hear, smell, touch or taste*) and what steps they could take to help them stay safe (ring the **NATIONAL GAS HELPLINE** on **0800 111 999**). The children also learned about the symptoms that people might experience if they have been affected by carbon monoxide: a *headache, feeling dizzy or nauseous, becoming breathless or feeling tired*. Very informative and potentially life-saving. For further information, please visit <https://safetyseymour.co.uk/>.

Happy weekend everyone!

Michelle Lake

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TIGER CUBS (EARLY YEARS): NEW DATES!

Parents/carers of children in Nursery or Reception; we have two exciting enrichment days planned for the Tiger Cubs. On **Thursday 27th March**, come to school dressed as a jungle explorer for a day of discovery based around our amazing safari role-play area. The children will be exploring rainforest areas, spotting wildlife and even trying some exotic fruit! Miss Jones will send out further information along with ideas for creating your explorer outfits.

On **Monday 31st March**, we would like to invite you to join our Nursery/Reception children for a morning of Easter bonnet-making! This is always terrific fun and a great way to make the most of recycling materials. Come and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee once you've dropped your child at school (from 8.30am), before joining the class at **9am**. We look forward to seeing you!

FOOTBALL CLUB AWARDS ASSEMBLY

This school year we have been really lucky that our one-in-a-million caretaker Tom has also given up his own time to run our after-school Football Club for the past two terms. The final football training session will take place on **Thursday 27th March** (all of the children in the club may attend this last session). On **Monday 31st March** we are holding a very special **Football Club Awards Assembly** and we would like to invite all parents/carers (and wider family members) to join us in school at **9am** to celebrate our fantastic footballers! Please come and sign in at the main entrance where we will show you into the hall.

EASTER BONNET PARADE

Come rain or shine, we will be proudly parading our **Easter Bonnet** creations for you from **9am** on **Friday 4th April**. The children will be making their bonnets in school (*for Years 1-6, this will take place on Wednesday 2nd April*) with a prize for the **most creative bonnet** in each class. We will parade through the lower playground (next to the main entrance) class-by-class from **9am** – stopping to pose for photos, of course – before heading in for our end-of-term assembly. We understand that this involves a bit of waiting around, but please do stay for this annual Easter event!

EASTER ASSEMBLY

Parents/carers of children in Year 6...sadly, it will be your Year 6 child's very last Easter assembly at Woodhall. We would like to invite you to join us on **Friday 4th April** for this all-singing, certificate-giving, chocolate-raffle-winning occasion that is a Woodhall celebration assembly! **You will be able to watch the Easter Parade at 9am before coming in to join us for our assembly.** We would love to see you there!

EASTER DISCO

Our Easter disco will take place on **Thursday 3rd April from 6-7.30pm**. Children from Reception to Year 6 are invited to join DJ Mole and the staff for an egg-citing evening of dancing and fun! This year, we will be holding a tuck shop at the disco. Please lookout for ticket information, which will be sent out by the School Office next week.


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note: life in primary school can be very eventful and sometimes we will need to make changes to the dates listed. When this happens, we will try to give you as much notice as possible.


DATE/TIME	EVENT
Monday 17th March	KS1/KS2 Railway Safety assemblies
Thursday 20th March	Year 5 visit to Oxhey Library: workshop with local artist
Thursday 27th March	Tiger Cubs 'Jungle Explorers' Day
Monday 31st March	Tiger Cubs Easter Bonnet workshop for parents/carers
Wednesday 2nd April	Easter bonnet-making day
Thursday 3rd April	The Eggs Factor (talent show)/Easter evening disco
Friday 4th April	End of term/Easter Bonnet parade
Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April/EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Tuesday 22nd April	Back to school
Wednesday 23rd April	St. George's Day dress-up
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday Monday
Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May/HALF TERM WEEK	
Monday 2nd – Friday 6th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
Thursday 5th/Friday 6th June	Year 6 residential trip to Gulliver's Land
Monday 9th – Friday 13th June	Year 4 Multiplication Test Week
Tuesday 24th June	Year 4 'Shine' concert (Electric Umbrella) at St. Albans' Cathedral
Thursday 10th July	Year 6: Hertfordshire secondary transition day
Wednesday 16th July	Parents/Carers' consultation evenings
Thursday 17th July	Year 6 Leaving do/Years 1-6 disco
Friday 18th July (1pm)	End of term; Year 6 leavers' breakfast/assembly
Monday 21st August - Thursday 4th September/SUMMER HOLIDAYS	
ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Friday 5th September	Back to school
Monday 27th – Friday 31st October/ HALF TERM WEEK	
Monday 1st December	Occasional Day
Friday 19th December	End of term
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January/CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS	
Monday 16th– Friday 20th February/HALF TERM WEEK	
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April/EASTER HOLIDAYS	
Monday 25th -Friday 29th May/HALF TERM WEEK	
Wednesday 22nd July	End of term







CONGRATULATIONS TO LAST WEEK'S AWARD WINNERS!



WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR AWARD WINNERS!



7.3.25	<i>The Woodhall Wow: PASSION</i>	<i>Learner of the Week</i>	
TIGER CUBS 	<i>HADASA for showing such great passion in everything that we do - her enthusiasm is contagious!</i>	<i>OLIVER who has made a superb effort with his writing this week during our phonics sessions. Great work!</i>	
PANTHERS 	<i>ARCHIE for the passion and creative skills that he has shown whilst working on a very special learning project. It's top secret at the moment!</i>	<i>NATASHA for the effort and huge determination that she has shown in improving her handwriting. <u>Well done!</u></i>	
JAGUARS 	<i>CASEY has such passion for learning, always challenging herself and completing tasks to the best of her ability!</i>	<i>KEVIN has made us very proud this week. He has shown great enthusiasm for his learning- both in Maths and Reading!</i>	
LIONS 	<i>JUAN for being so passionate about school, trying hard, showing a positive attitude and taking care of our classroom. <u>Well done!</u></i>	<i>HOPE for become an independent, responsible learner and making great progress as a result. Very impressive!</i>	
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