

# Woodhall Tweetly



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026



One of the best things about working at Woodhall is that no two days are ever the same...and this has certainly been the case over the past fortnight, where lots of exciting things have been going on here! You may have seen on our **Facebook page** ([www.facebook.com/woodhallprimaryschool](http://www.facebook.com/woodhallprimaryschool)) that we took delivery of one **Baby Grand Piano**. What a beautiful instrument! Although we are only looking after it until a move to a permanent home, we are over the moon to have such a wonderful new member of our Woodhall family! And, as we know, all members of our school family must have a name. The children are currently putting forward their suggestions for the best name for our Baby Grand. Entries so far include '**Grandy**', '**Woody**', '**The Baby Grand Old Duke of Woodhall**', '**Jazzy**' and many more. We'll keep you posted! We are proud to have our own **resident musician** – **Sabin** – who accompanies us when we walk in and out of our Celebration Assembly on Fridays. What a talent! I have a very **exciting performance** in the planning pipeline which I will let you all know about very soon...

Last week, we were very pleased to have some of our **governors** in school for the morning. **Danielle, Graham, Tom and Geetha** came to spend time with the children and to experience a **working day at Woodhall**. Our governors are brilliant and meet every half-term to discuss school affairs, but there's nothing like hands-on experience! Not only did they witness the **celebratory aspects** of school life – for example, the **progress** of our children, the **enrichment opportunities, support** for children with additional needs, the **learning experiences** – but they were also able to see how we navigate some of the more **challenging practical aspects** of running a small primary school. **The governors were all very impressed with how articulate, independent and kind the children were.** During the morning, they dropped into Early Years, saw Maths and English lessons across the school, introduced themselves in assembly, spoke to groups of children about their learning and about safeguarding and asked for the children's ideas for improving Woodhall. Now, they are busy doing their own governor homework (writing reports about their visit) and I will bring you their feedback in due course.

Have a lovely weekend and don't forget that our half-term week starts on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February!**

Michelle Lake

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## PARENTS'/CARERS' SPRING TERM CONSULTATIONS

Once again this term, our consultations will be held on one day: **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February**. You can book a telephone consultation or come into school during the afternoon or evening. This week, you should have received a letter asking for your **appointment preferences**. Please complete and return the slip by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February** so that we can allocate times. Remember, consultations are absolutely crucial in terms of discussing your child's progress and attainment; not only in terms of the curriculum but also their social/emotional development. We hope to see as many of you as possible!

## DATES FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR (2026-2027)

If you're already thinking about booking holidays for next year, these will come in handy!

<b><u>AUTUMN TERM 2026</u></b>	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	<b>INSET –staff only</b>
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>INSET –staff only</b>
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<b>Children back to school</b>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	<i>Half term week</i>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Occasional Day: school closed
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term 1pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January	<i>Christmas Holidays</i>
<b><u>SPRING TERM 2027</u></b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>INSET –staff only</b>
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Children back to school</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	<i>Half term week</i>
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	End of term 1pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Easter Holidays</i>
<b><u>SUMMER TERM 2027</u></b>	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>INSET –staff only</b>
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Children back to school</b>
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> -Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	<i>Half term week</i>
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of term 1pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	<b>INSET –staff only</b>

# CONGRATULATIONS TO LAST WEEK'S AWARD WINNERS!

<span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR AWARD WINNERS!</span>			
30.1.26	<i>The Woodhall Wow: RESILIENCE</i>	<i>Learner of the Week</i>	
<b>LITTLE PARROTS</b> 	<i>JESSE, for persevering with his scissor skills to cut out tricky superheroes.</i>	<i>HARRY, for making a fantastic effort with writing his own 'Things I Like' book.</i>	
<b>BIG PARROTS</b> 	<i>MONET, for showing great resilience and determination during our work on doubling and halving in maths, even when it was getting tough.</i>	<i>BIA, for listening carefully and following the instructions for making a Tudor house during our Great Fire of London history topic.</i>	
<b>PUFFINS</b> 	<i>EUNICE- for working really hard on fractions over the last few weeks and making some fantastic progress!</i>	<i>PHOEBE- for being an enthusiastic and knowledgeable addition to every lesson this week- well done for your brilliant thoughts and ideas!</i>	
<b>KINGFISHERS</b> 	<i>KAIDEN, who has been very focused on his learning this week...with EXCELLENT results. Onwards and upwards!</i>	<i>ARYAN, for working incredibly hard across ALL subjects but particularly in Maths and English where he has produced work of a very high standard. FANTASTIC!</i>	
<b>HOUSE POINTS</b>			
<b>OAK</b>	<b>ASH</b>	<b>BEECH</b>	<b>ELM</b>
<b>303</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>145</b>

## USEFUL CONTACTS

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## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025-2026**

*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
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>	1pm Tom Wilcox (Senior Family Support Work) in school helping parents to register for Family Toolkit course
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Lunar New Year arts and crafts' day
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February/HALF-TERM WEEK</b>	
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Parents' consultation day/evening
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	9-11am Family Toolkit course starts (weekly, for 4 weeks)
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b>	World Book Day: parents/carers invited for afternoon assembly
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	2-4.30pm SPRINGO! Fundraiser
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year Five Tag Rugby Festival at Greenfields School
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b>	9am Easter Bonnet Parade
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	9am End-of-term assembly: parents/carers invited  1pm End of term
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April/EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>	
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	INSET Day: Children NOT in school!
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Children back to school
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 Cricket Festival (at Bushey Cricket Club)
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> -Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May/HALF TERM WEEK</b>	
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 4 Multiplication Check Week
<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Residential Trip to Gulliver's Land
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	1pm End-of-term
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>	

