

Woodstock Weekly



The weekly newsletter from Woodstock CE Primary School

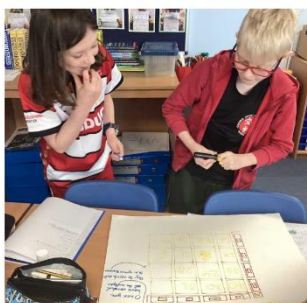
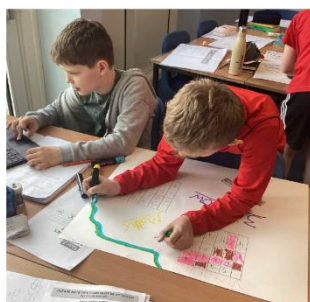
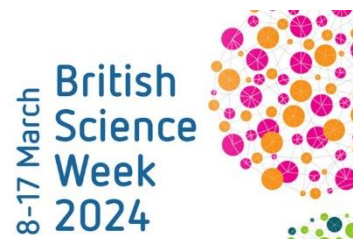
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LETTER FROM THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this week's newsletter finds you all well. What an exciting and busy week we had in school last week celebrating British Science Week – all the children became design engineers over the week and using a 'problem' they had to design a solution. These designs are being entered into a national Young Engineer competition. You will have received a Parentmail last week asking to give consent for your child's design to be entered into the competition. Entries will be sent off tomorrow first thing, therefore, please do complete the consent today.



A huge thank you to Owen Mumford and Airbus Helicopters whose engineers came into school to talk to the children and inspire them with their job roles. The children were very excited to hear about them as engineers and they asked some very interesting questions.

On Friday we also celebrated International Day of Maths with a focus on 'problem solving and reasoning' in maths lessons. As a NRICH Problem Solving school, we are always finding creative opportunities for the children to take part in a range of problem-solving activities as part of our maths curriculum – it is also a valuable opportunity for children to work with others, find all possibilities and explain their findings and solutions.

Class Curriculum Celebration Assemblies:

If you haven't done so already – please save the date for your child's Curriculum Celebration Assembly, which start at 2.30pm. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents into school last week for the Woodpeckers' Assembly – well done children for an amazing showcase of your learning. This week, we will be welcoming Cygnets' parents into school.

Date @ 2.30pm	Class
Wednesday 20 th March	Cygnets Years 1&2
Wednesday 27 th March	Goslings Years 1&2
Wednesday 1 st May	Nightingales Years 3&4
Wednesday 12 th June	Ducklings Years 1&2
Wednesday 26 th June	EYFS: Reception
Wednesday 3 rd July	EYFS: Nursery

Thank you as always for the continued support you give to our school, it is always very much appreciated and hugely valued.

Yours sincerely,



Anna Poole
Deputy Headteacher

Safeguarding Children Updates

What to do if you have concerns about a child

If you have any concerns about a child relating to Safeguarding, please get in touch with one of our Safeguarding Leads immediately by contacting the school directly on 01993 812209 or by email safeguarding@woodstock.oxon.sch.uk

If you are unable to speak to a member of our Designated Safeguarding Team at school and have a safeguarding concern, please contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) directly who will be able to advise you.

If you have a concern about a child, please call MASH on 0345 050 7666.

NSPCC Updates for Parents and Families



The NSPCC have updated some of their guidance on supporting children with mental health issues. Please follow the links to some very useful pages on their website.

Child Mental Health: click [here](#)


The Safeguarding Network: click [here](#)



Collective Worship Weekly Theme

Week Beginning: 18/3/24		Collective Worship	
Key Idea: Dealing with disappointment			
Biblical Link:	Jeremiah 29:11 <i>"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (NIV)</i>		
Christian Value:	Hope	<div>Invitation prayer</div> <div>Dear God, Give me the strength to overcome disappointments, Help me learn and grow from them. Thank you for giving me hope, Amen</div>	
Understanding Christianity Theme:	 People of God		

Our World



Let's look at this week's story

Many families travelled to Glasgow for an event that claimed to channel the magic of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. On its website, Willy's Chocolate Experience guaranteed chocolate fountains, performances by Oompa Loompas, and interactive experiences, with tickets priced at £35 per person. Visitors were greeted by rows of large empty tables and walls of black fabric separating different, almost empty, spaces. Upon facing crowds of disappointed ticketholders, organisers decided to cancel the two-day event after the first morning.

Learn more about this week's story [here](#).
 Watch this week's useful video [here](#).
 This week's Virtual Picture News [here](#).






UN Rights of a Child


We all have the right to rest, relax, play and take part in cultural and creative activities. Visiting places can help us do this.



REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS



British Values



Individual Liberty

There are times in our lives when we will feel disappointment. We can choose how we respond to it. It is important to remember we are responsible for our actions.

Windrush Bike Project

There are lots of ways to get into cycling this summer, for children, adults and families. An introduction to Bikeability, which is a course our Year 6 children do, Social Rides and Rusty Riders are all free to access and great fun!



Bikeability Level 2

Holiday courses

- Bike handling skills
- Learning to ride confidently on residential roads
- Ideal first course for children age 10 and above

Book your free 2-hour session (8th or 9th April 2024)

www.bookwhen.com/windrushbikeproject?tag=bikeability





Rusty Riders

Want to start cycling or get back into cycling?

Join our supported and social bike rides in and around Witney. We follow quiet roads and tracks and aim to cover between 2 and 5 miles.

Each ride is run by a qualified cycling instructor and a volunteer ride leader. Bikes/trikes are available to borrow from the workshop if you don't have one.



When: Fridays fortnightly at 10am (check website for details)
Where: Windrush Bike Project, 152B Corn Street, Witney, OX28 6BY
Cost: Rides are free but please reserve your place
www.bookwhen.com/windrushbikeproject?tag=rides
email: admin@windrushbikeproject.uk

Other support available

Wheels for All
Find the cycle that suits you, learn to ride or build your confidence away from traffic during our friendly and inclusive sessions. Instructors and experienced volunteers on hand to help. Adapted cycles available.

Cycling Lesson
Book a free 1:1 lesson with a qualified cycling instructor to gain the skills and confidence to ride on roads and paths. You can explore routes together to get to where you want to go. A job, shops or social activities.

If your child has just done Bikeability, help them to build on their newfound confidence, with some regular rides.

Do you want to improve your skills so you can ride with your children? Join Rusty Riders – our supported social rides on Friday mornings.

Is your child struggling to learn to ride? Bring them along to [Wheels for All](#), or book a [private lesson](#).

Keep an eye on our [website](#), social media or join our [mailing list](#) for updates on summer activities.

We hope to see you soon!
Windrush Bike Project
Bikeability Team

www.windrushbikeproject.uk
admin@windrushbikeproject.uk

Young Artists' Summer Show

Calling all artists! The Royal Academy of Arts has opened their Young Artists' Summer Show 2024. Please see the flyer below for more information and then follow the link if you have any further questions:

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/get-involved>

Each child can submit one artwork and there is no theme. When you enter, we will ask for an image of your artwork plus some information about the piece such as title, size, and a little text about the artwork and why you made it. Your artwork will be seen by our panel of judges and the selected pieces will be shown in our online exhibition. Some of the artworks will also be shown at the Royal Academy of Arts. Prizes are awarded each year for inspiring artworks, as chosen by the President of the Royal Academy. You can also vote for your favourite artwork in our annual People's Choice Award.

The artwork can be made using any material; it can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme, so artworks can be of any subject and we don't mind when you made the artwork as long as you are between 4-19 years old when you submit it. We also welcome collaborative pieces made by more than one student...

If you would like to enter the competition, please email art@woodstock.oxon.sch.uk and Mrs Boutayeb will send you the permissions form, guidance for submissions and details about how to photograph the artwork.

Once you have read the guidance, please send a second email with the photo of the artwork and the completed permission form attached. All entries need to be sent by Friday 22nd March for Mrs Boutayeb to submit the entries before the deadline.

The flyer has a purple background with a large, abstract, textured shape in shades of green and blue on the left side. The text is white and yellow. The title 'Young Artists' Summer Show 2024' is prominently displayed in the upper left. To the right, there are several sections of text providing details about the exhibition, including eligibility, submission rules, and a timeline of key dates. The Royal Academy of Arts logo is at the bottom left, and contact information and a disclaimer are at the bottom right.

Young Artists' Summer Show 2024

The Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for young artists aged 4–19 years and studying in the UK.

Students can submit one artwork for consideration which will be judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals. Selected artworks will be displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. Prizes will be awarded to inspiring artworks across each key stage.

How to enter

From 8 January 2024, teachers will be able to register their school. Next, students, their parents/guardians or their teachers can submit artworks via the RA website until 27 March 2024.

Important dates

8 January – 27 March 2024
Registration and submission open

May 2024
Judging

16 July 2024
Online exhibition opens

16 July – 11 August 2024
Display at the RA open

Sign up and find out more
roy.ac/youngartists
#RAYoungArtists

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**ST MARY MAGDALENE'S
CHURCH, WOODSTOCK**

Good Friday Family Service With Hot Cross Buns

Come and join us for a short family service in
Church
to reflect on Easter and what it means

**FRIDAY 29TH
MARCH
9.30AM**

Join us in the Church - St Mary Magdalene's, Woodstock

Easter Sunday, 31st March

St Mary Magdalene's Church, Woodstock



**Join us at 11am for the service
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt**

Woodstock Methodist Church
Free Easter Fun Morning For All Ages
Saturday 30th March



**10.30am – 11.30am Easter activities at
Church including a trail, crafts and egg
decorating (everyone please bring a
hardboiled egg to decorate)**

Refreshments available

**11.30am – 12.30pm Egg rolling at
Blenheim**



We look forward to seeing you

CHECK IN WITH YOUR FRIENDS

If one of your friends doesn't seem OK, checking in on them can make a huge difference. One in every five children struggles with their mental health, so let's make sure we support each other through any difficult times.

BE A GOOD LISTENER

ASK HOW YOU CAN HELP

SHOW EMPATHY

SEND A NICE MESSAGE

BE KIND

★ BE ★ SUPPORTIVE ★

**IF YOU ARE WORRIED ABOUT A FRIEND
TELL A TRUSTED ADULT**

I SAW THIS AND THOUGHT OF YOU!

WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW I'M THINKING OF YOU!

I'M HERE WHEN YOU NEED ME.

MISSED YOU AT SCHOOL TODAY. EVERYTHING OK?

NOS National Online Safety®

#WakeUpWednesday

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**Kindness causes
elevated levels of
dopamine in the brain,
helping us feel happier.**

#MentalHealthAwarenessWeek

