

# WOODSTONE NEWS

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## Fond farewells

The end of the academic year often brings mixed emotions and this year possibly more than ever as we say goodbye to a number of staff who will be leaving us in July. As you'll already be aware, Mr Mullins will be retiring after 20 years at the helm and will be greatly missed. In addition, Mr and Mrs Medlycott and Mrs Kennedy will also be retiring, all of whom have been involved with the school for many years as both valued members of staff and parents too. Mrs Sleath will be retiring from our lunchtime team and Mrs Copley will also be leaving us for pastures new as she moves to Newark with her husband. Woodstone is a special place, made all the more special by our staff team who work tirelessly to support the children, go over and above to provide them with the best possible primary school experience and make our school the welcoming, friendly place it is and all of our leavers demonstrate all of these things on a daily basis. They will be a big loss to the staff team, taking with them lots of experience but hopefully also lots of happy memories of Woodstone too. Hopefully, you will have chance to say your goodbyes over the coming weeks and I'm sure you will join me in wishing them the best in their future endeavours.

Thank you to them all.

## Staffing 2026/2027

Please see the staffing arrangements for 2026/27 below:

**Acorn Class - Miss Pickering, Mrs Capstack, Miss Brooks**

**Rowan Class – Mrs Stanley, Miss Tyrer**

**Maple Class – Miss Armston, Mrs Moore, Miss Davies**

**Pine Class – Mrs Leaney, Miss Clement, Mrs Moore, Miss Davies**

**Cedar Class – Miss Daley, Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Sainsbury**

**Birch Class – Mrs Pimperton\*, Miss Pullinger**

**Oak Class – Mr Brewin, Miss Pullinger**

**Ash Class – Miss Barnes, Mrs Hall, Miss Bexton**

\*Mrs Pimperton will teach in Birch Class on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We are currently recruiting another teacher for Mondays and Tuesdays who we hope will join us for the transition days.

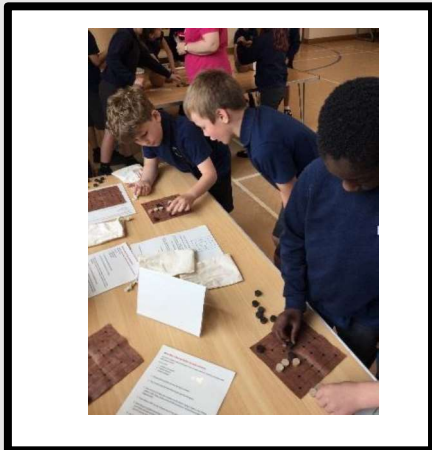


We were really proud of our choir who took part in a fantastic event with four of our collaborative schools a few weeks ago. The children sang together at The Emporium with an evening celebrating 'A Night of the Movies'. This was a great experience for the children and gave them the opportunity to sing with a live band, in front of an audience and alongside children from Ellistown, St Denys and Heather Primary Schools. It was a fantastic event and definitely one to remember! Well done to all of our super singers!

## HAPPY 20<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY WOODSTONE!

We had a great day celebrating Woodstone's 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday recently! We had a full day of celebrations including a tea party, games and inflatable fun – hopefully a day the children will remember in years to come!





Cedar class enjoyed their 'digging the dead' Anglo-Saxon workshop recently. They had the opportunity to handle lots of different artefacts including replica weapons, pots and jewellery. They also had a go at playing the game '9 man morris' which is similar to 3-in-a-row. They had a great afternoon applying their learning from our History topic.

### Sherwood 2026

Year 2 had a fantastic time on our residential to Sherwood Forest! Highlights included arriving at the hostel and having our own rooms with our friends, being served delicious food, visiting Sherwood Forest and the Major Oak, an evening disco and visiting Wheelgate Park. The fun never stopped! We were really lucky with the weather and managed to stay dry for our outdoor activities - including nature art, making animal habitats, making dens and playing on the outdoor play equipment at Wheelgate. Lots of children (and some staff!) also had a lot of fun on the big drop slides at the soft play! Everybody had a thoroughly fantastic time and made unforgettable memories. A selection of photos are now on the website on the Maple Class 'Sherwood Residential' page



## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

**There's still lots going on before the end of term! Please have a look at the dates below...**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Saffron Lane Athletics**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Science Fair at Ashby School**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Northumberland Residential (Y4)**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Sports Day (KS2 9.30am / Rec & KS1 1.30pm)**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Father's Day Lunch (Y6 parents)**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Isle of Wight Parent Meeting 5.30pm (current Y3&4 children)**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - Ash class trip to National Forest Adventure Farm**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Acorn Teddy Bear's Picnic (Heather Primary School)**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Colour Rush (3.30pm – 7pm)**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Rowan Class trip to Botanic Gardens**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Oak Class trip to Snibston Colliery**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Birch Class visit to Sea Life Centre**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Oak Class charity car wash**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – transition days**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Oak class leavers' play and presentation night (6pm)**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Oak class disco and fish and chip supper (5.30pm)**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July – last day of school for all children**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – INSET day**

### **Rose Bowl success!**

**Congratulations to our fantastic Year 4/5 boys football team who secured a 5-2 victory over Holy Cross in the semi-final of the Rose Bowl tournament this week.**

**Fantastic sportsmanship and teamwork from all our players – good luck to them as they take on Ibstock in the final next Wednesday. Come on Woodstone!**



## Science Fair

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June some of our top scientists from Key Stage Two took part in the Woodstone Science Fair. This year's theme was 'Curiosity: What's Your Question?'. This was a great opportunity for children who love science to carry out their own learning based around the theme. The children came up with their own science experiment to show off their curiosity and understanding. We had a number of children who took part, showcasing experiments themed around space exploration, lava lamps, steam engines and much more. Well done to all the children who took part and good luck to Fleur and Emma, Parker and Harlow, Monty, Oliver and Douglas who will be showcasing their experiments at Ashby School Science Fair on Thursday.



## Unity Presentation Night

We had a great night at the Unity Presentation Night yesterday, recognising the achievements of a number of children who have taken part in Unity events over the year. We took home a haul of medals for cross country and Maths and enjoyed performances from lots of children from different Unity schools. We were really proud of Beatrix who played her drums and represented Woodstone. It was a fantastic night recognising another successful year as part of the Unity Learning Partnership.



### Woody's Pricing 2026/27

Sadly, due to ever-increasing costs we have been left with no choice but to increase the cost of Woody's from next academic year. You should have received the updated costings and session structure via email. For more information, please see the Woody's page on the school website and for any questions please contact the school office.

### **OUTSTANDING DINNER MONEY**

Could we please ask that any outstanding balances on Arbor are cleared before the end of the school year. This is especially important for children in Year 6. Any problems please contact the school office.



### WOODY'S FEES 2026/2027

#### **MORNING CLUB - 7:30am - 8:45am**

Session	Session Cost	
7:30am - 8:45am	£6.75	
8:15am - 8:45am	£3.00	No breakfast

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - 3:15pm - 6:00pm Monday to Thursday**

Session	Session Cost	
3:15pm - 4:15pm	£5.50	No tea
3:15pm - 5:00pm	£11.00	Tea included
3:15pm - 6:00pm	£15.00	Tea included

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - 3:15pm - 5:00pm Fridays**

Session	Session Cost	
3:15pm - 4:15pm	£5.50	No tea
3:15pm - 5:00pm	£11.00	Tea included

#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUB (following an in-house club/booster)**

Session	Session Cost	
4:15pm - 5:00pm	£5.75	Tea included
4:15pm - 6:00pm	£11.50	Tea included

*Late collections will incur the cost of the next session price.  
Late collections after 6:00pm will carry an additional charge of £25 per child.*

### **School Meal Provider change**

We wanted to let you know that our school meals provider is changing after the summer break, as Leicestershire School Food Support are closing. From August, school meals will be provided by Aspens who will provide a range of choices and cater for all allergies as needed. More information will follow in the coming weeks, including menus and pricing.

### **WOODSTONE'S GOT TALENT**

Last week, we were treated to a night of singing, dancing and performing as a number of our KS2 children took to the stage as part of our Woodstone's Got Talent evening. We had singers, drummers, pianists and guitar players to name but a few and the level of talent on show was outstanding. Well done to all of our performers – the children will be treated to some of the acts when they perform again towards the end of term.



# Woodstone Community Primary School

## Woody's Summer Holiday Club

Come along to our Woody's Summer Holiday Club and enjoy  
fun activities, games and crafts

*Monday 27th July - Friday 31st July*

*Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August*

All sessions run 8.30am - 4.00pm at Woodstone School

£25 per child per day

Open to all children who attend Woodstone Primary School  
(including children currently in Year 6)

Bring your own packed lunch - all snacks and drinks will be  
provided

Full timetable of activities coming soon!

Our holiday clubs will  
be popular so book  
early via Arbor

