

Woolhampton CE Primary School Newsletter

19th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we saw a large group of Year 5/6 children take part in the annual Junior Music Festival at the Hexagon. The children have been practising now for several months under the guidance of Mrs Javes and their hard work certainly shone through last night. I was unable to be there, but I have received so many positive comments about how well the performance went. There is definitely something special about taking part in a large-scale performance and it is a wonderful experience that the children won't forget. As a school, it is really important to us that the children have the opportunity to take part in a range of extra-curricular activities. Well done to all those who took part and thank you to Mrs Javes and Mrs Curtis for accompanying them.

Today sees the start of another spell of exceptionally hot weather and we have been issued with an Amber Heat Alert. The temperatures are looking like increasing into next week. As a result, next week, children will be able to wear their PE kit to school if they would like to. To keep their feet protected, they must wear either shoes or trainers (no flip-flops, Crocs, sliders etc). Please make sure your child has a refillable water bottle and a hat with them everyday and that they come wearing long-lasting sun cream.

Sports Day – due to the forecast temperature on Friday in excess of 30^{o}C it is highly likely that we will have to postpone sports day. We will look at the forecast again on Monday and let you know what the plan is. Please can the children bring in their house colour T-shirts into school on Monday.

Parking & driving – please can I remind everyone of the need to drive and park safely at drop-off / pick-up. We have had several reports of unsafe driving, turning and parking recently. Saving a couple of minutes is never a valid reason to risk a child's life. Thank you for helping to keep our community safe.

I wish you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Rebecca Cox
Headteacher
Woolhampton CE Primary School

What's on week commencing 22nd June:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Whole School		Golden Mile		Golden Mile	
YR R			Forest School	PE	
Y1 & Y2	PE		Year 1 Forest School	Trip to Marwell Zoo	
Y3 & Y4				PE	
Y5 & Y6		PE	Yr 6 Bikeability	Forest School Yr 6 Bikeability	
Clubs		Wellbeing Walk (lunchtime KS2) Dance Club All Years	Garden Club (lunchtime Yrs2/3) KS2 Hockey Club Yrs 3-6	Cricket Club Years 3,4,5 and 6	
Before/After School & Team Events					

Additional Information:

Coming Up….

Wed 24th & Thurs 25th June – Y6 Bikeability

Thursday 25th June - Sycamore Class Trip to Marwell Zoo

Friday 26th June - Sports Day - Family picnic at 12pm followed by races on the field.

Friday 3rd July - Reserve Sports Day

Tuesday 30th June - Year 6 Leavers Service at St Mary's Church, Thatcham

Thursday 2nd July - Beech Class Trip to Bucklebury Farm Park (details to follow)

Thursday 9th July – Family sharing afternoon (details to follow)

Monday 20th July – Y5/6 play (afternoon and evening performance)

Tuesday 21st July – End of Year Service at St Peter's Church - 1:00 pm

Tuesday 21st July - Term Finishes - 1:30pm

Chestnut Class PE - is on Thursday for the rest of the term.

Junior Music Festival - 18th June 2026

Congratulations to all those children who took part in the Berkshire Music Trust's Junior Music Festival on Thursday evening this week. After an exhausting afternoon of rehearsals, the children's performance in the evening was outstanding. Their behaviour at the theatre was exemplary and a credit to the school.



New Lawnmower Needed

Unfortunately our current Bosch 400 electric lawnmower has died.If anyone has a spare electric lawnmower lying around that they might be able to donate to school please contact the office. Mrs Howe would be extremely grateful. Thank you.



Big Butterfly Count

The UK's Big Butterfly Count 2026 runs from Friday, July 17 to Sunday, August 9. This citizen science project invites you to spend 15 minutes in a sunny outdoor spot counting the butterflies and day-flying moths you see to help researchers monitor the environment.

Here are a couple of pictures taken at the Englefield School's Day last week kindly sent in by Mr Laurence Harwood, a Butterfly Conservation Trustee, who generously gives each of our classes caterpillars for the children to observe as they develop into butterflies.

Please click on the link below if you would like to take part in the Big Butterfly challenge this summer.

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