



Woolhampton CE Primary School

Enabling all to Flourish

Weekly Newsletter: 7th March 2025

Dear Parents & Carers,

This week we have been taking part a number of extra curricular activities across the school. On Monday, Chestnut Class visited Elstree to take part in an author workshop all about Ancient Egypt. As well as getting to meet a real author, the workshop will help support the Ancient Egypt topic that the children will cover in history.

In the afternoon, a group of mathematicians from Year 5 took part in a maths challenge event where they competed against nine other local schools. They did really well and worked together to answer some really difficult questions.

On Wednesday, a large group of KS2 children went with Mrs Javes and represented the school at the Bradfield Cross country competition - as always, our children showed great sportsmanship and did the school proud.



Throughout the week, all classes have been making the most of the beautiful spring sunshine particularly, Beech and Sycamore who were lucky enough to go to forest school. I paid a visit with Dougal on Wednesday and it was glorious in the woods with all the snowdrops flowering.

Today, we have had a great end to the week celebrating World Book Day. It was wonderful to see all the different costumes as the children came into school this morning. We started our celebrations with an immersive theatre experience organised and funded by FoWS. It was a great mini-production of Little Red Riding Hood and everyone really enjoyed joining in and watching it. A big thank you to FoWS! After lunch, we celebrated a love of reading by sharing stories across the school. The classes were mixed up and the older children read

books to the younger children. This was followed by a very exciting World Book Day scavenger hunt organised by Mrs Smith. We thought you might like to see some photographs of the whole school enjoying the day (next week the spotlight will be on Sycamore Class).

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Rebecca Cox

Headteacher

What's on week commencing 10th March 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Whole School		Golden Mile		Golden Mile	
YR & Y1	PE		Forest School	Gymnastics	
Y2 & Y3				Yr3 Gymnastics Forest School	
Y4 & Y5			PE		
Y6	PE/Leadership	Shakespear workshop at Curridge			
Clubs	All Years Football	Dance Club All Years			
Before/After School & Team Events					
Additional Information:					
Coming Up....	Tuesday 11 th March - Year 6 to Curridge School for Shakespeare workshop Monday 17 th March – Chestnut Class visit to West Berkshire Museum Friday 21 st March – Years 4,5 and 6 Forest School at Ferrises Thursday 3rd April - 2.30pm Easter service, St Peter's Church Tuesday 1 st April – Parents' Evening Friday 4th April - 1.30pm, End of Spring Term				

Earrings

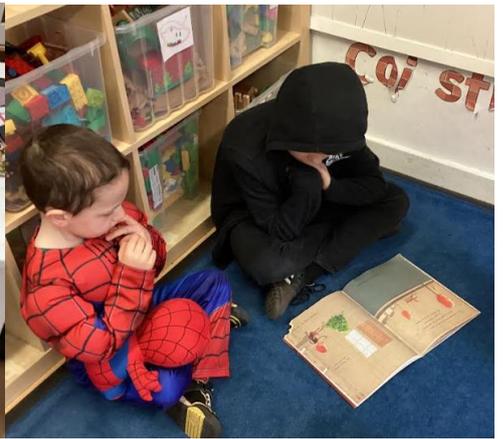
Due to a recent incident, we have been reminded by West Berkshire of the risks associated with children wearing earrings during PE and physical activity. The guidance states that earrings must not be worn for PE/sporting activities. Where this is absolutely unavoidable e.g. a child has earrings that cannot be removed, they must cover both the front and back of the earrings with sufficient tape. Children must be able to apply their own tape independently – if they struggle with this, they need to come to school with the tape already in place. We strongly advise that earrings are not worn to school on any occasion (but definitely not on PE or Forest School days) and no other jewellery is allowed at any time.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening appointments are taking place from 4:30pm on Tuesday 1st April and are now available to book on Tucasi/Scopay. These are face-to-face appointments, which will be in the school hall.

Woolhampton celebrates World Book Day





Sports News



Cross Country Competition, Bradfield College – A great effort by ALL 21 competitors from Woolhampton in the annual cross country competition at Bradfield College. The children ran in one of four different categories: 2 at 1.4km and 2 at 2km. Everybody gave 110% and all with smiles. Hot dogs and chocolate bars were the best part of the sunny day as usual!



Year 3/4 Football Competition

After three wins and just 1 loss the 7 children came runners up in their league, narrowly missing a chance at the finals. With some super goal saving, defending, attacking and of course goal-scoring, the team played their hearts out. Thank you to Mr Madders for being our team manager.



Future 'Strictly' Contestant

A HUGE 'Well done' to Ella, Year 6, who competed in the ABD Dance Association qualifier. She came **1st** in her category and has now qualified for the finals in November.