

NEWSLETTER



Friday 13th February 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Our Children's Mental health week kicked off with a fabulous experience for children in EYFS and KS1 with a visit from Animals in Hands. Mo arrived with a selection of animals and mini beasts for the children not only to learn about but to handle too. I was amazed at how many children were willing to hold a snake and let a tarantula crawl up their t-shirts! We also held an assembly introducing this year's Children's Mental Health week theme: **Belonging - This is My Place**.

Our fantastic Year Five pupils held a parent workshop exploring all things Ancient Egypt. They were so excited to have their parents in school working with them!

Yesterday, our PTA organised and hosted two Valentine's Discos here at Woodcock Hill. We are extremely lucky to have such a dedicated team of parents working to enhance the experiences of your children and I am extremely grateful for the positive contributions that they make to our school.

Next week, it is half-term week. I hope that you all have the opportunity to spend some quality time together with friends and family.

With very best wishes

Mr Higgins



DIARY

w/c 23rd February Lunch Menu:
Week Three

16th – 20th February 2026
Half Term week

23rd February 2026
Spring Term² starts
for children

4th March 2026 – 9.10am
Year Four's Class Assembly

4th March 2026
Parents' Evening

5th March 2026
World Book Day

5th March 2026 – 3.20pm
PTA Book Sale

11th March 2026
Autism Workshop:
What is autism?

24th March 2026
Autism Workshop:
Understanding meltdowns

26th March 2026 – 9.30am
EYFS & KS1 Easter Assembly with
PTA Cake Sale

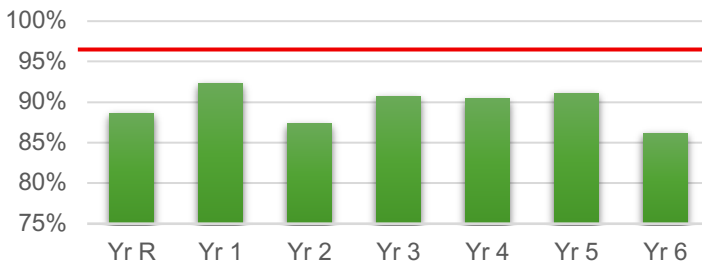
27th March 2026
PTA Non-Uniform Day Fundraiser

27th March 2026
Last Day of Spring Term

30th March – 10th April 2026
Easter Break

Attendance

w/c 26th January 2026



■ Percentage Attendance

96% is our **MINIMUM** expectation for attendance.

Did your child's class reach 96% last week?

This year's attendance, to date, is
91.8%



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Celebration Assembly

In this week's celebration assembly, we celebrated the achievements of:



Reception

Cassidy and Mohamed

Year One

Amna and Remaya-Marie

Year Two

Charlie and Noah

Year Three

Bobby-Jane and Horace

Year Four

Ivanna and Leo^S

Year Five

Kailah-Rae and Leo

Year Six

AJ and Cailen

Swimming

Year Four's and Year Five's swimming lessons will take place every day for two weeks commencing Monday 9th March 2026.

Please ensure that your child has their swimming costume and towel in school each day.



Ramadan

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During the Holy Month of Ramadan, it is important that parents understand the school's responsibilities to those children who may wish to consider fasting.

For your information, the school has been advised that children under 10 years of age are not required to fast and, as primary age children become very tired when they do not have regular meals and are sometimes unable to safely perform the activities expected of them during the course of a school day, we want to explain the procedures that will be followed to ensure the well-being of your child or children:

1. **'Request to Fast' form** – Parents who wish to give permission for their child to fast during Ramadan whilst at School, will need to complete, sign and return the form to the school
2. **Requests for food** – As the School is required to take care of all pupils and cannot ignore the needs of a hungry or thirsty child, the staff will comply with requests for food or drink received from a child, even if a completed form has been provided
3. **Illness** – If a child appears to be experiencing adverse physical or emotional effects due to fasting, e.g. dizziness, nausea, distress, etc., staff will offer that child food or drink, even if a completed form has been provided and may call the child's parents or guardians, and the emergency services, if they believe that it is necessary.

I hope that the above is clear, but please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions. The Request to Fast form is available from the school foyer or school office.

World Book Day 5th March 2026

This year our World Book Day theme will be **When I'm Older**. This half term our school value has been Ambition and next half term it will be Perseverance; with this in mind, children can come to school dressed as what they would like to be when they are older. We do not wish to place families under any financial pressures to buy costumes for this day. So, it could be as simple as a hat, a badge or something homemade that represents that career.



Our School Values: We are respectful, ambitious, creative, inclusive, independent and we persevere.