



**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

Welcome back everyone, we hope that you all had an enjoyable half term break.

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Open Afternoon**

During the week of the 16<sup>th</sup> of June, we will be spending time across the school conducting a variety of practical science experiments. We would like to offer the opportunity for parents to come into school between 2 and 3pm on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>, to have a look at what we have been doing. All welcome.

**Primary School Health Nursing Newsletter June 2025**

Please click on the link for more information.

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/GJeq3VNj7sNYwVm3?ref=email&loc=play>

**Travelling Book Fair**

The Travelling Book Fair will be in school next week from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June until Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June, an event which the children always enjoy. They will once again be doing 3 for 2 on all books. Payment can be made by cash or QR code which will be provided on the day. Please do support this event if you can as the school will benefit by receiving free books. Thank you.

**Busy Bees After School clubs**

There are still spaces on some of the After School and Before School clubs so do please sign your child up via ParentMail.

**Lunchtime Supervisor**

We have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor and would like to ask if you, or anyone you know, would like to join the team in looking after the children at lunchtimes. Maybe you would like to be able to help out occasionally, please can you let us know so that we can add you to our bank staff. Please contact the office for more details.

**Lost property**

Once again we have lots of lost property in school, please pop to the office if you would like to have a look through it. Please can we remind you to label all items that are bought into school. Thank you

**Class Updates**

<b>Oak</b>	Oak class have all come back to school enthusiastic and ready to learn and enjoyed writing and drawing about their half term adventures. In art the children have been doing some beautiful flower paintings which are now on display in the hall. We have started to think about the life cycle of a butterfly and have enjoyed colouring, painting and making butterflies. To develop this further we would be grateful of any toilet rolls and egg boxes that you could bring in. In phonics we are practising applying our phonics skills to reading longer words confidently and using our phonics to do lots of our own writing. In maths we have been comparing quantities and recognising our numbers. A few dates for the diary- On Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June the whole school will be having an open afternoon for parents to share in some science activities that the children will have been doing
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	during the week. Full details will be in the main part of the newsletter. Also, sports day will be on the 24 <sup>th</sup> June in the afternoon again. We hope you have a lovely weekend.
<b>Hornbeam</b>	It's been a very exciting start to the new term in Hornbeam class. This week we have combined our English and DT lessons. We are focussing on instructional writing and began the week by following instructions to create our own healthy smoothie, which went down a treat with the children. In maths we have begun to learn about halves, starting by cutting objects into two equal pieces before progressing onto finding half of an amount. In Science we have started learning about animals, how they can be sorted into 5 'Kingdoms' according to their different features. We then put this into practice by sorting some. Finally, in computing we were able to use our new robots (thank you to the PTA) to learn about programming and how to create an algorithm by sequencing commands to make them move.
<b>Beech</b>	Beech class created leaflets all about castles remembering to include the correct grammar features and ambitious vocabulary. We will share our writing with year 1 on Monday to teach them all about castles. In maths, we found quarters of shapes and amounts and counted in fractions using a number line. We have also been looking at pictograms using pictures to represent different amounts. In science, we started learning about materials and their properties. We discussed what we already knew and then sorted different materials. We then discussed their uses and properties using scientific vocabulary. In History we have moved on from the physical features of castles and are now learning about the people who lived in them and the history of the monarchs. We were excited to fill up our pom pom bucket and enjoyed a class treat of extra play!
<b>Ash</b>	We used our modelling skills to recreate Stonehenge and marvelled over the skills of the ancient builders. Maths this week explored angles and lines: ask your child to point out horizontal and vertical lines, right angles, acute and obtuse angles and check clockwise and anticlockwise directions of turn. We have used our prediction skills and imagination in creative writing and topped the week off with a super exciting trip out to Ufton court.
<b>Rowan</b>	This week in Rowan, we have been continuing our learning about decimals. We have been learning to order decimals as well as round them to the nearest whole number. In history, we have begun learning about Boudicca's revolt against the Romans. This involved reading some sources of information about Boudicca and evaluating which we found most useful, as well as thinking whether the sources may or may not be biased. We have also been planning, and starting to write, stories set in the Roman times. The children have come up with some super ideas for their stories. Please continue to practise times tables this weekend. Thank you.
<b>Maple</b>	We've had a fantastic first week back in Year 5. English saw us exploring a variety of different ways we can add figurative language to poetry including personification, similes and metaphor. We then began writing our own WW2 themed poems. When we've completed them we're looking forward to sharing them with you all! We've spent time talking about World War 2 this week as today celebrates 81 years since the events of D-Day. We explored many different things that affected the day and tried to work out what was instrumental in that victory. Maths has seen us looking primarily at timetables and I am pleased to say your children are now experts on the X40 bus! We also (finally) managed to finish and test our 3D printed boats to see if we have managed to design the most buoyant boat! All the boats floated, with many holding over 50g of weight! There will be photos on the website soon! Finally, a huge thank you for all the amazing homework that came in this week. It's always brilliant seeing the work your children have completed (and we know many of you love joining in too!).
<b>Willow</b>	This week we've settled back into school life after the amazing adventures of our residential. We've worked on writing a recount and looked at all of the photos,

	we'll display our fabulous work in the hall. We've also sent out our scripts for our play and will audition next week, keep your eyes out for costume lists etc
<b>Lunchtime news</b>	For safety reasons we don't take equipment out when it's drizzling or rain. The children in year 5 reinvented games with their friends. Someone in year 6 started singing and dancing and we all joined in. It was so much fun we didn't mind the weather. White lines were painted on the field in readiness for sports day. Some of the children started an impromptu race followed by children from all year groups, they were all worthy winners! Children who prefer quieter activities sat on picnic benches, drawing and colouring. We did see some very bright paper planes too! KS1 children have been observing insects and reminding each other that they are not all horrible or scary and they are needed so we don't kill them. We discussed nettle stings, avoiding insect bites and appreciation of nature.

### **Important dates**

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	3 for 2 Travelling book Fair in School
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	FOWPS Non-uniform day in exchange for sweet treats, no chocolate or nuts.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Open Afternoon – all parents welcome 2:00 – 3:00
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	FOWPS Summer Bounce 4:30 – 7:30
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day KS1 – 1:30 KS2 am – exact time tbc
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Back Up Sports Day – times the same as above
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	FOWPS Community Coffee Shop @ The Old School House
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 play
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 play
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 3, 5 & 6 Cake Sale
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' assembly 9:30am
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term, 1pm finish
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET day
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	INSET day
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Children return/start the Autumn Term

### **FOWPS Update**

It's time for our summer event and The Big Summer Bounce is back! If you can help for an hour on the day please sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/JDKT4>

Advance online discounts available on tickets here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowps-events/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=99832>

Thank you to Denizen for headlining our event: <https://www.facebook.com/share/15v9ZFy9Q3/>

And to our new bounce partner Artists' Harvest: <https://www.artistsharvest.co.uk/>

We are also holding a summer raffle. Winners will be drawn before the end of term. We are currently looking for donations. Please contact Kerri-Ann on 07368819640 if you can help. Thank you.



Castles,  
Softplay,  
Bubbles  
& more!

Music from:  
denizen  
RemGems  
Chazbags

BBQ,  
BAR &  
ICE CREAM

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5s Area

# BIG SUMMER BOUNCE

★ **Friday 20th June, 16:30-19:30**  
**Woodcote Primary School**

**ALL Welcome for a BOUNCING Adventure!**

**Artists' Harvest** are filling  
our school field with **inflatables!**

- ★ **Unlimited Bouncing**
- ★ **Games and Stalls**
- ★ **BBQ, Bar & Ice cream**
- ★ **Live music**



Tickets: [www.pta-events.co.uk/fowps-events](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowps-events)

Wristbands: £10 on the door, **£8.50 online**, Under 4's £6/£4.50, Adult entry £2  
(Online sales close 19/6/2025 at 20:30)

All proceeds going to Friends of Woodcote Primary School | @ArtistsHarvest | @denizenmusic

