





# WOOLASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## EYFS Class

What a wonderful start to the year! A huge welcome to all our new children starting across the school and especially to those starting their learning journey in EYFS. We are all thoroughly enjoying our time and have had lots of new and exciting experiences already. From making new friends to experiencing our first PE lesson it really has been a wonderful start! Here's to the year ahead!!



## After School Prostars Clubs

There are still availability for Thursday and Friday clubs, please contact the School Office to book a space for your child.

Term 1	Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup> September – 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	3.30 - 4.15pm	KS2 Football – FULL
	Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup> September – 24 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30 - 4.15pm	<b>KS1 Multi Sports - SPACES</b>
	Friday AM	20 <sup>th</sup> September – 18 <sup>th</sup> October	8.30 – 9.00am	<b>KS1 &amp; KS2 Fun Circuits - SPACES</b>
	Friday PM	20 <sup>th</sup> September – 18 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30 - 4.15pm	<b>KS2 Netball - SPACES</b>



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## 2025 Admissions Open Day

Please share the information below with any families with children that will be starting school in September 2025. We will be hosting four open day sessions in the autumn term where parents will have a tour of our wonderful school site.

 FOREST EDGE FEDERATION  
**WOOLASTON  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
*Together we grow, achieve and celebrate*  
**OPEN DAY**

**WE ARE A GOOD SCHOOL IN ALL AREAS!**

**Comments from our Ofsted report in May 2023:**

This is a happy, nurturing and inclusive school. Pupils are friendly and polite. Relationships between pupils and staff are kind and respectful. Staff care for pupils and help them to learn well.

Leaders work to bring about improvements with determination. They provide clarity and direction. Leaders are ambitious for all pupils. They have developed a broad and ambitious curriculum, especially in English and mathematics. Pupils learn well in mathematics because leaders have identified the key knowledge that they need to learn.

Leaders prioritise reading. All staff are well trained to teach phonics. Staff use **consistent approaches to teach pupils how to read. This helps pupils to become fluent readers.**

Please contact the School Office to book a place on one of our open days.  
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Thursday 3rd October 9.30am  
Friday 11th October 2.00pm  
Thursday 17th October 2.00pm  
Friday 8th November 9.30am

## School Attendance

Now our wonderful reception pupils are settled and are in full time, we will be monitoring attendance in the school.

Parents are responsible for making sure their children attend school regularly and on time. We actively encourage parents to make health and dental appointments outside of school hours. We do however recognise that medical appointments issued by healthcare professional occur in school hours and as such, will be authorised. We also understand that children will be unwell and we do not encourage poorly children to attend school.

Every Tuesday we hold a celebration assembly with the children and have been able to celebrate the attendance of the children and the classes that achieve 100%.



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The whole school target is **100%**. Children are expected in school at all times the school is open. Below we have the weekly attendance for week 3 and 4.

## 2024-2025 Week 3

Wk Commencing 16th September

### Weekly Attendance

Whole School Target - **100%**

**93.8%**

Class EYFS / Year 1	95.0%
Class Year 1/2	96.7%
Class Year 3/4	94.7%
Class Year 4/5	91.7%
Class Year 6	90.8%

**Congratulations to Year 1/2 for achieving the highest attendance**

**We are proud of our STAR pupils**

**During Week 3,**

**110 pupils achieved 100% attendance**

## 2024-2025 Week 4

Wk Commencing 23th September

### Weekly Attendance

Whole School Target - **100%**

**93.5%**

Class EYFS / Year 1	94.5%
Class Year 1/2	94.7%
Class Year 3/4	94.7%
Class Year 4/5	90.0%
Class Year 6	93.5%

**Congratulations to Year 1/2 and Year 3/4 for achieving the highest attendance**

**We are proud of our STAR pupils**

**During Week 4,**

**113 pupils achieved 100% attendance**

## Free School Meals

### Could Your Child Benefit from Pupil Premium Funding?

Woolaston Primary School can receive additional funding for any child receiving Free School Meals. This is separate from the Universal Free School Meals which are given to all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The Pupil Premium funding is allocated solely to the registered, eligible pupils and is used to enhance provision and improve progress and outcomes for those children. For example, at Woolaston Primary School we spend the Pupil Premium funding on:

- 1:1 support teaching;
- Class supported teaching;
- Group work;
- Pastoral activities
- Tutoring;
- Purchased resources for mathematical development and emotional resilience;
- Enrichment activities

In order to support the eligible children's learning and personal development. Additionally, registering for Free School Meals also entitles your child to:



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- Free musical tuition;
- Free school trips; and
- A school uniform bursary

In order to qualify for Free School Meals for your children you must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Income Support;
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit; or
- Universal Credit

As a parent/carer you can apply for Free School Meals online along with your Admission applications. The Free School Meals Portal also includes an online eligibility checking service which provides instant feedback – so they can easily confirm if you are entitled. For more information and to make an application visit <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

## **SEND and Offer of Early Help**

The school SEND Information Report for 24-25 is now live on our website

<https://www.woolastonprimary.co.uk/special-education-needs-at-woolaston> This gives details of the SEND provision in school. Any questions please contact Mrs Madurasinghe.

## **Non- school uniform**

Thursday 24th October is non-school uniform day. Children can wear non-school uniform in exchange for a donation to the school PTFA. This will be payable via Parent Pay.

## **Labelling Belongings**

Please could we ask all parents/carers to label their child's clothing, water bottles, lunch bags/bags. We already have a basket full of unlabelled clothing and items, please check the lost property in the School Office reception area. At the end of this term any unclaimed clothing or items will be binned.

## **Nasal Flu Programme Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

Please ensure you have completed an online flu form for each child who attends Woolaston. These need to be completed even if you are not consenting for your child to be vaccinated.



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## Keeping Children Safe Online

Please see the link below which takes you to NSPCC guides for parents/carers to keep their children safe online. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/#guides>

## Community Leaflet Page

Please see our new community leaflet page for all the latest news and events.

<https://www.woolastonprimary.co.uk/community-leaflets/>

## Ribston Hall High School – Year 5 and Year 6 Girls



**OPEN EVENTS - 17th, 21st and 22nd October**

Ribston Hall High School would like to invite you to one of our Open Events on the 17th, 21st and 22nd October.  
17th October - 9.30am, 5.00pm and 6.00pm  
21st and 22nd October - 9.30am.

**Booking is Essential!**

Places are limited so please ensure you visit our website to book: [www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us/school-tours/open-day](http://www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us/school-tours/open-day)



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## School Diary

### Dates for the Academic Year 2024-2025

MONTH	DATE	Event
September 2024	Wednesdays 18 <sup>th</sup> September – 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Prostars KS2 Football 3.30-4.15pm
	Thursdays 19 <sup>th</sup> September – 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Prostars KS1 Multisports 3.30-4.15pm
	Fridays 20 <sup>th</sup> September – 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Prostars KS1 & KS2 Fun Circuits 8.30-9.00am
		Prostars KS2 Netball 3.30-4.15pm
	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Open Evening The Dean Academy 5.00pm – Letter to follow
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Art Club Begins 3.30pm-4.30pm	
October 2024	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2025 Admissions Open Day at 9.30am
	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	2025 Admissions Open Day at 2.00pm
	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Nasal Flu Programme 2024
	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival
	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	2025 Admissions Open Day at 2.00pm
	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Parental Consultations – Information to follow</b>
	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Parental Consultations - Information to follow</b>
	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Non School Uniform
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Inset Day – no pupils on site</b>
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> November	October Half Term	
November 2024	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back Autumn Term 2
	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Beder Photography – Individual and Siblings</b>
December 2024	TBC	Christmas Production
	TBC	Christmas Jumper Day
	TBC	Christmas Lunch
	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Christmas Half Term
January 2025	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back to Spring Term 3
February 2025	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Non School Uniform
	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Half Term
	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Inset Day – No Pupils On Site</b>
	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back to Spring Term 4
March 2025	Dates to follow	
April 2025	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Non Uniform Day



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	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Half Term
	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Welcome back to Summer Term 5
<b>May 2025</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Early May Bank Holiday</b>
	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTFA Non School Uniform
	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term
<b>June 2025</b>	<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Inset Day – No Pupils On Site</b>
	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Welcome back to Summer Term 6
<b>July 2025</b>	TBC	Year 6 Residential
	TBC	Year 6 Leavers Production
	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm
	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term
	<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Inset Day – No Pupils On Site</b>
	Tuesday	Summer Half Term