



NEWSLETTER

We have enjoyed welcoming the children back after their half term break and it's lovely to see them all enthusiastically engaging with their work in class. There are lots of exciting things happening in school this term that we will share with you in the coming weeks such as an Easter bonnet parade, bikeability and stay and share sessions. We would also like to remind you that the learning for each class for the term has been uploaded to the website so you can see what your child will be learning in class.

Best wishes,
Miss Lane and Mrs Gomersall

Bloom Room News

This term in Bloom Room, the children have been working incredibly hard creating their very own mythical creature habitats. They have thoughtfully explored what their creatures would need to feel safe, secure and cared for, making meaningful links to what we as humans need in order to feel safe too. This has led to some wonderful discussions around belonging, comfort, protection and kindness. The children have produced some truly amazing pieces, and we are so proud of the care and thought that has gone into each one.

The group have also completed their mythical creature collages, using recycled materials to bring their imaginative ideas to life. They worked independently, embracing their individuality and celebrating their creativity. It has been a joy to see their confidence grow as they used their imagination so freely and proudly.

Pastoral Termly Check-In

We had a wonderful time at our end-of-term pastoral check-in with both past and present pupils. It was such a special opportunity to reconnect, share memories and celebrate progress. Lots of fun was had, and it is always amazing to see former pupils flourishing and growing in confidence. We are so proud of each and every one of them.





Bloom Room Art Show

We are very excited to share that we will be hosting our very own Bloom Room Art Show at the end of this term! This will be a chance to showcase all of the children's hard work and creativity from across the term. We would love to warmly welcome Nurture Group parents to join us in celebrating their children's achievements. Please keep an eye out for the confirmed date — we will be in touch very soon!

Wellbeing week

We had a fantastic time celebrating Children's Mental Health Week in school! It was wonderful to see so much joy and energy across the playground. We hosted a disco outside, and the children absolutely loved dancing along to some old-school classics. Our Year 5 pupils and Play Leaders were brilliant role models, confidently demonstrating some impressive dance moves and encouraging the younger children to join in using fun equipment. The smiles said it all!

Walking Wednesdays have quickly become a brilliant new addition to our weekly routine. This term we stomped like dinosaurs, shuffled like zombies and strutted our stuff in one big, joyful line across the playground - of course, we couldn't resist walking like Egyptians too! We enjoyed moving to songs such as Walk Like an Egyptian, These Boots Are Made for Walking and Walk This Way — it was such a fun way to boost our mood, get active and enjoy time together.





In honour of Valentine's Day, our Play Leaders also organised a wonderful Positive Post initiative. Children loved sending thoughtful messages to their friends and teachers, sharing kindness and appreciation throughout the school. It was heart-warming to see so many lovely messages being delivered — a true celebration of friendship and positivity.



Play leaders

We are incredibly proud of our Play Leaders and the positive impact they continue to have across the school. We hold regular meetings to share ideas, reflect and plan, and the children follow a rota to support play on the KS1 yard with organised games and activities. They show such responsibility, kindness and enthusiasm, and consistently act as excellent role models for our younger pupils. They truly continue to make us proud.

We were also very lucky to receive a generous donation of flowers from Tesco. Miss Niblett and the Play Leaders had great fun running our very own florist workshops during break and lunchtime. The children thoroughly enjoyed getting involved, creating beautiful arrangements and showing their creativity. There was lots of laughter, teamwork and fun had by all — a lovely way to brighten everyone's day!







Children awaiting a diagnosis with the Children’s Autism and ADHD Assessment Service (CAAAS)

Currently, there is a 2-3 year wait for a diagnosis within the Gloucestershire CAAAS. As parents, you have what is known as ‘the Right to Choose’ which means you can ask your GP to refer you to another health board who have capacity, to undertake the assessment. This means you have to be willing to travel anywhere within the UK but is a way to speed up the assessment process.

Information on what is involved and how to go about ‘Right to Choose’ can be found at <https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/about-the-nhs/your-choices-in-the-nhs/>

If you want to find out more, please speak to your GP about this service.

Attendance

The school is working hard to promote an ethos of good attendance through weekly class attendance awards in assembly and by sharing attendance data in our school newsletter. The children are already very keen to win the best class attendance award! Please can we take this opportunity to remind parents that school starts at 9.00am. Any pupil arriving after this time will be recorded as late on the register. If a child arrives after 9:30am, they will be recorded as having an unauthorised absence. If a child regularly arrives late, they will miss the same lesson or lessons, which will not only impact their attainment—as each lesson in our Reading, Maths, and English schemes builds on the previous one—but also affect their self-esteem and confidence.

More information regarding our attendance policy and procedures can be found on our school website under the Key Information tab in Policies.

	Sparrow Class YR/Y1	Starling Class Y1/Y2	Robin Class Y3/Y4	Woodpecker Class Y4/Y5	Heron Class Y6
Attendance	95.9%	95.6%	97.1%	96.8%	93.6%

Congratulations to Robin Class who achieved the highest attendance!





Parents' Evening – Week Commencing 16th March

Parents' Evening will be taking place during the week commencing **16th March**. We will be offering both **face-to-face appointments** and **video consultations** to provide flexibility for all families.

Further information, including available dates and times, will be shared shortly. **Appointments can be booked from 6th March** and you will receive a separate email with full details on how to book.

Class Assembly Dates – 2026

We are delighted to share the dates for our upcoming class assemblies. Each assembly will begin at **9:30am** and will take place in the school hall.

Robins Class have already completed their assembly this year with their wonderful violin performance, and Year 6 will present their end of year production in July.-of-year production in July.

Upcoming Assemblies:

- **18th March 2026** – *Woodpeckers Class Assembly* (Year 4/5)
 - **13th May 2026** – *Starling Class Assembly* (Year 1/2)
 - **10th June 2026** – *Sparrow Class Assembly* (Year R/1)

We look forward to welcoming families into school to celebrate the children's learning and achievements.

Reminders

Packed Lunches

Please can you ensure that packed lunches don't contain any nuts or nut-based products such as Nutella as we have children in school with a nut allergy.

School Meal Booking

Please ensure your child's meal is booked in advance of the day, preferably a week ahead.

Community Leaflets

Please click on community on our website to see the latest news and events.
<https://woolastonprimary.ovw10.juniperwebsites.co.uk/community-leaflets>



Lost Property

Lost property is located by the school office





Contact Information

Please ensure you advise the School Office of any changes to your contact details. It is vital that we have your up-to-date information for all correspondence purposes and in case of emergency. Please email any changes to office@woolaston.gloucs.sch.uk

Year 6 Residential Payments

We would like to remind parents and carers to please continue making regular payments towards the Year 6 residential trip and to ensure that payments remain up to date. The cost of the trip is paid to the provider in staged instalments throughout the year, and keeping to the payment schedule allows us to meet these commitments on time and secure accommodation, transport, and activities for the children. This residential visit is a valuable and memorable part of the Year 6 experience, supporting pupils' independence, confidence, and teamwork as they prepare for the transition to secondary school. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in helping us deliver this important opportunity for all pupils

PE Days for Spring term 2

Reception/Year One: Miss Page: Thursday
Year One/Year Two: Mrs Thomas and Mrs Madurasinghe: Tuesday
Year Three/Year Four: Mrs Gomersall and Mrs Winstone: Wednesday
Year Four/Year Five: Mr Rushton: Friday
Year Six: Mr Woodcock: Monday
Please ensure that you child has their PE kit in school on these days.

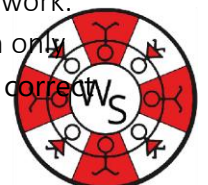
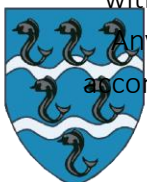
Bikeability

A reminder that Bikeability will take place during the week commencing 9th March. Children are welcome to leave their bikes in school for the duration of the week; these will be securely locked inside the school building overnight.

Stay and Share Sessions Spring Term 2 2026

We would like to invite you to attend a 'Stay and Share' session. These sessions will take place in the school hall from 9.10am until approximately 9.40am. During this time, you will have the opportunity to look at your children's school books with them and talk about their learning in school. If you are unable to attend, a member of our school community will spend this time with your child looking at their books so they will be included and able to share their work.

Any member of your family is welcome to attend but due to the lack of space we can only accommodate a maximum of two adults per child. To help us prepare the hall with the correct





number of chairs, please click the link for your child's class which can be found below to let us know whether or not you will be attending:

EYFS/Y1 - Sparrows 'Stay and Share' Wednesday 11th March

Year 1/2 - Starlings 'Stay and Share' Tuesday 10th March

Year 3/4 - Robins 'Stay and Share' Thursday 12th March

Year 4/5 Woodpeckers 'Stay and Share' Tuesday 3rd March

Year 6 - Herons 'Stay and Share' Friday 13th March

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. To mark the occasion, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. If they prefer not to dress up, they are welcome to bring an item related to their chosen character instead.

We would also be delighted to welcome any parents who would like to visit school and read a story to their child's class. If you are interested in taking part, please speak to your child's class teacher to arrange a convenient time.

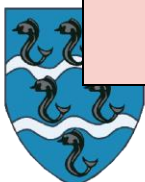
Finally, if you have any books at home that your child has outgrown, we would be very grateful for any donations to help support our class book corners and school library.





School Diary – Dates for the Academic Year 2025-2026

March 2026	Monday 2 nd	"In the Net"
	Tuesday 3 rd	Stay and Share - Woodpeckers
	Thursday 5 th	World Book Day
	Monday 9 th – Thursday 12 th	Year 5 Bikeability
	Tuesday 10 th	Stay and Share - Starlings
	Wednesday 11 th	Stay and Share - Sparrows
	Thursday 12 th	Stay and Share - Robins
	Friday 13 th	Stay and Share - Herons
	Tuesday 17,18 th ,19 th	Parental Consultation
	Wednesday 18 th	Woodpeckers Class Assembly
	Friday 27 th	PTFA Easter Hunt
	Friday 27 th	Non-Uniform Day
	Monday 30 th – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holiday
April 2026	Monday 13 th	Start of Summer Term 5
	Tuesday 21 st	NCMP Screening – Reception and Year 6 only
May 2026	Monday 4 th	May Day Bank Holiday
	Monday 11 th	Year 6 SATS – English Grammar
	Tuesday 12 th	Year 6 SATS – English Reading
	Wednesday 13 th	Year 6 SATS – Maths Paper 1&2
	Thursday 14 th	Year 6 SATS – Maths Paper 3
	Thursday 21 st	PTFA – School Disco
	Friday 22 nd	Non-Uniform Day
	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th	Half Term





June 2026	Monday 1 st	Inset Day – No pupils on site
	Tuesday 2 nd	Start of Summer Term 6
	Tuesday 2 nd – 12 th	Multiplication Tables Check
	Monday 8 th – Friday 12 th	Phonics Screening Check
	Friday 19 th	Sports day / Summer Fayre
	Wednesday 24 th	Transition Days
July 2026	Wednesday 1 st – Friday 3 rd	Year 6 Residential
	Friday 17 th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm
		End of Term

