

# Woodlands Weekly



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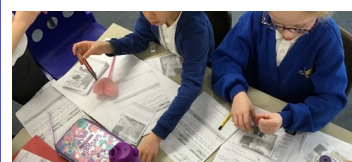
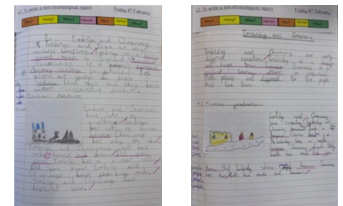
**Lots of tired little children this week so well done everyone for digging deep!**

**Year R** has visited India this week. They had a fantastic trip to an Indian market through the book 'A Gift for Amma' and enjoyed the sights and sounds they experienced there. They sampled some Indian food, which was declared delicious. In Maths this week, they have been doubling numbers using counters to help them.



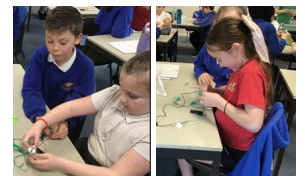
**Year 1** has been busy finishing off their fantastic puppets! The children carefully decorated them using a variety of shapes and patterns, showing great creativity and attention to detail. They designed colourful outfits and added their own unique touches to give each puppet its own personality. We are so proud of their imaginative work and the effort they put into completing their designs!

**Year 2** has been learning about how to write a non-chronological report this week. They have learnt about Qaanaaq in Greenland and written a report to explain the similarities and differences between Qaanaaq and Tonbridge. They have used features including headings, subheadings and challenged themselves to write sentences using the conjunction 'however'.



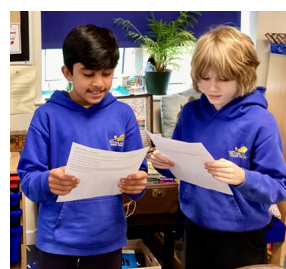
**Year 3** has ended a busy term well. They have created their self-portraits with an added colourful background to represent their personalities. After six weeks of swimming, the children have impressed us all with amazing progress and confidence. They cannot wait to continue next term! Finally, they have experimented with magnetism: exploring whether the size of a magnet will affect the magnet's strength.

This week, the children in **Year 4** became electricians as they built simple circuits using batteries, wires and bulbs. The excitement was clear when their bulbs lit up! They then explored how to make switches using different materials, discovering which ones conducted electricity and which acted as insulators. Some excellent partner work and resilience!



This week **Year 5** have been busy finishing writing their Greek myths in English, painting their pots in art, and performing their class assemblies. They have worked hard on all of them and are rightly proud of their achievements.

This week **Year 6** are nearing the end of Macbeth. They know that Macbeth feels deceived by the witches and is going to have to lead his men into battle. Having watched some film clips for inspiration, the children have been practising, and subsequently writing, their own speeches as Macbeth to persuade the Scottish army to follow them into battle. If you were passing Woodlands earlier today, you may have heard their battle cries!



Finally, a reminder that I will be off for a couple of weeks following surgery next term. I will be back with you as soon as possible but the office and teachers will keep you up-to-date with events and learning and Mr Burns and the team will lead in my absence.

See you soon and thank you for the kind emails.

Best wishes,

Vicki Lonie

## KS2 Assemblies

Parents arrive at 2.40pm

Assembly time 2.45pm

Year 3 - Romans,

Birch - Tuesday 10th March 2026

Elder - Wednesday 11th March 2026

Whitebeam - Thursday 12th March 2026

## World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We're looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Throughout the day, children will take part in a range of activities that highlight the joy of reading, including a teacher story swap, Drop Everything and Read, and class poetry performances. Children (and staff!) are welcome to dress up as a favourite book character. We can't wait to enjoy a fun-filled day of stories, imagination and creativity!

## HELP NEEDED!

We have a group of Year 4 children who would really benefit from some additional times tables support.

It would involve playing games, quizzing the children and using flash card activities.

In the past, volunteers have made a huge difference and we would appreciate any time you could offer us! Please contact Mrs Cameron on [lcameron@woodlands.kent.sch.uk](mailto:lcameron@woodlands.kent.sch.uk)

## PTA Fancy Dress Costume Hire – World Book Day

The PTA have set up their Fancy dress costume hire shop! You can now hire second hand fancy dress costumes for school events online via <https://uniformerly.co.uk/>

We have a selection of World Book Day, Greek, Roman, Viking, Victorian, Evacuee and Christmas Nativity costumes available for £2.00 per costume per week.

Here's how to order:

Visit the site above and go to find my school. Filter on Kent to find Woodlands Primary School.

Browse the available items and stock. Note you can also use the search option to narrow down items and type World Book Day.

Select the items you want to add to your basket and complete your payment with PayPal.

Orders for World Book Day should be placed before 3pm on Friday 27/02/26. Orders will be available for collection from the Acorn office on Monday 02/03/26 at the end of the day.

This is a hire, so please return complete costume in the same packaging you collected it to Acorn office after event.

Note: The first time you wish to order you will need to register. This only needs to be done once after which you can login as normal.

If you don't have PayPal, please use the site to ensure what you want is in stock first, then drop an email to [woodlandsprimarypta@gmail.com](mailto:woodlandsprimarypta@gmail.com) with the items you would like. You can then pay on collection (turnaround times will differ from doing online due to the manual nature of emails and monitoring).



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**MONDAY 4TH MAY 2026**

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## Mr Holloway - Marathon Man!

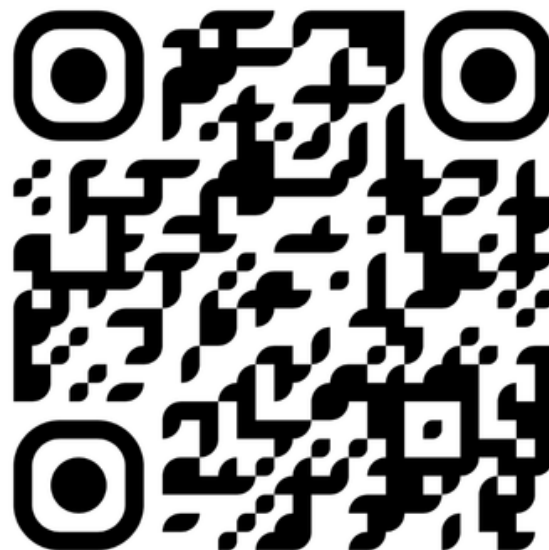
On Sunday 22nd March and Sunday 26th April 2026, our very own Mr Holloway will be running his first marathon in Rome followed by his second marathon in London. He is raising funds for two causes close to his heart:

- FEAST, a registered charity supporting people on low incomes in Tonbridge,
- Woodlands Primary School, where funds raised will help to further develop SEND provision and additional pupil resources.

All donations will be split evenly between the two causes.

If you would like to support Mr Holloway in this mighty challenge, further details can be found via the link or QR code provided.

Thank you in advance for your support.



## Lost Property

If the following items are yours, please come to the Acorn office to collect:



## Woodlands Fund

A massive thank you to those that have donated to the Woodlands Fund.

We appreciate all of your ongoing support.

## Reminders

- Please remind your children not to kick balls in the playground before or after school. If a child is spotted doing this, it will result in an instant detention.
- If your child is absent from school please either leave a voicemail on 01732 355577 or email [office@woodlands.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@woodlands.kent.sch.uk) with the reason.
- KS2—please check pencil cases over half term and re fill if needed.
- Break time snacks are to be fruits or vegetables **only**.



POP & SHOP EVENTS

You're invited to our

# Mother's Day

## Pop-Up Shopping Event

Discover a beautiful collection of over 20 independent brands, showcasing elegant, carefully made pieces — perfect for Mother's Day gifting.

Free Entry

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**Saturday 7th March**  
11am - 2pm

LIME TREE WORK SHOP  
Sevenoaks  
TN13 1YH

## Year 6 Boys drawing club

Our last session this term involved the creation of several scary fish, some pokemon, a few dinosaurs and some very creative doodles. The boys showed some great self guided shading techniques this week and it's great to see their confidence growing!



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## Term Dates

### 2025/2026

Term 1: 01/09/2025 - 17/10/2025

Term 2: 03/11/2025 - 19/12/2025

Term 3: 05/01/2026—13/02/2026

Term 4: 23/02/2026 - 02/04/2026

Term 5: 20/04/2026 - 22/05/2026

Term 6: 01/06/2026 - 21/07/2026

### 2026/2027

Term 1: 01/09/2026 - 16/10/2026

Term 2: 02/11/2026 - 18/12/2026

Term 3: 04/01/2027 - 12/02/2027

Term 4: 22/02/2027 - 25/03/2027

Term 5: 12/04/2027 - 28/05/2027

Term 6: 07/06/2027 - 21/07/2027

## Diary Dates

### 2025/26

5th Mar

World Book Day

10th Mar

NO CLUBS

13th Mar

Break the rules day

13th Mar

PTA Bingo

20th Mar

Comic Relief

09th Mar

Year 1, Tonbridge Castle

12th Mar

Year 4, Hever Castle

05th May

NO CLUBS

05th Jun

KS1 Summer Disco

16th Jun

NO CLUBS

22nd Jun - 26th Jun

Year 6 Residential

12th Jun

KS2 Summer Disco

04th Jul

Summer Fair

New dates/times in blue