

# Woodlands Weekly



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This week at Woodlands....

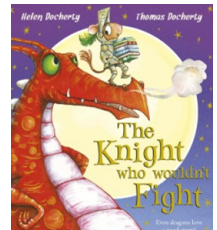
This week's story in **Year R** has been 'Billy and the Beast' by Nadia Shireen. The beast tried to make a terrible soup - the children loved making their own terrible soup using things they found in the school grounds. Despite their generous offers, the teachers declined to taste the interesting concoctions!

Maths has been particularly busy, the children looked at longer and shorter in Maths, using playdough to help them. They wowed us all with their fantastic computing skills by creating amazing pictures on the iPads.



This week, **Year 1** has been working incredibly hard at home on their speaking and listening projects. We have been so impressed by the amazing castles the children have created. They have shown great enthusiasm and confidence when describing and identifying the different castle features. Keep up the fantastic work!

**Year 2** has been retelling the story 'The knight who wouldn't fight' this week. They have been learning about defeating the monster stories and created a story mountain to help them. Their challenge has been to use adverbs such as 'happily', 'worriedly' and 'fiercely' to help make their writing exciting for the reader.



**Year 3** have started learning about perimeter and measure in maths. Using mm, cm and m. Plenty of exploring of different shapes and working out their perimeters. Using prior knowledge of properties of shapes to help.

**Year 4** are currently enjoying Reading The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. In English, they have been busy using their imaginations as they tackled the challenge of writing a recipe for an Iron Man, using their knowledge of instructional writing. The children have used metal ingredients to twist, turn, chop, slice etc that have allowed them to create dishes that an Iron Man would devour. Pupils dishes which included copper casseroles, bronzed bbq steaks and titanium toffee trifles.

In science, **Year 5** have been investigating thermal insulators and how to stop a snowman melting. They set up an experiment to see if different materials slowed down ice cubes melting and compared this to an ice cube not 'wearing a coat'. Some children also tried putting the ice in an insulated cup. They decided that if you get an insulated cup big enough for a snowman that would stop it melting for the longest time and a coat made from bubble wrap was the second-best option.



Year 6 have had an eventful week. On Monday they learnt which school they will be heading to in September. Lots of hugs and cheers could be heard coming from the Year 6 classrooms as they celebrated together. Thursday was World Book Day: the children looked fantastic in their costumes and were keen to talk about their book characters. In the afternoon, they read a poem by Joshua Seigal called 'Don't get me started'. Inspired, they were challenged to write their own versions about what really annoys them. Unsurprisingly, they had lots of ideas! Here are a few examples

When people talk and chat at school,  
When homework is piled in a massive pool,  
When noise escalates in the lunch hall,-  
Don't even get me started.

When you miss your turn on the football pitch,  
When the summer glee gives you an itch,  
When on the girl and trip in a ditch,-  
Don't even get me started.

When friends get into trouble,  
When detentions begin to double,  
When you feel anger starts to bubble,-  
Don't even get me started.

When a sub-teacher walks in,  
When you know an argument is going to begin,  
When they know how to get under your skin,-  
Don't even get me started.

by Ben I, Aigis 3, Tula and Ophelia



Toby!

When your ice cream falls to the ground  
When a song always plays too loud  
When you're surrounded by a crowd-  
Don't even get me started.

Violet!

When three dots appear on the screen  
Pencil leads snap, I just want to scream  
When people don't know what I mean  
Don't even get me started.

Will!

When the toilet water goes on your bum  
When your partner starts to hum  
When your father drinks all the rum  
Don't even get me started.

Leah

My brother's glasses in the sea  
My sister will leave for uni;  
Poems with irregular rhyming  
Don't even get me started!

## Red Nose Day - Friday 20th March

We will be taking part in comic relief on Friday 20th March.

Your child is welcome to come to school wearing something red, a comic relief t shirt or red nose for a donation of your choice. No football kits allowed.

Please donate via the following link:

[Woodlands Primary is fundraising for Comic Relief](#)



## 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)

## Price and Buckland

It has been confirmed that Price and Buckland prices will remain unchanged for 2026. They have recognised financial pressures many parents and carers are facing and despite increases to the living wage and national insurance, they are able to absorb the costs whilst maintaining the high quality standards they are known for.

They will continue to offer free returns.

## Year 6 - Key Dates

Monday 27th April, 6pm: SATS and Devon Parent Meeting

11th - 14th May: SATS week

1st June: Safety in Action trip

22nd - 26th June: Devon Residential/Basecamp

Production performances:

- Afternoon performance: Wednesday 15th July, 1.30pm
- Evening performance: Thursday 16th July, 7pm

Leavers assemblies: Monday 20th July

- Ash, 9.15am
- Aspen, 10.45am
- Hawthorn, 2.30pm

Monday 20th July : Leavers Party, 4pm

£22 PER DAY  
£40 TWO DAYS  
£75 FOUR DAYS

SIGN UP NOW - SIGN UP NOW - SIGN UP NOW - SIGN UP NOW

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WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> • THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 9AM - 3PM

WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> • THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

AGES 4-13

PRIZES TO BE WON

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3G PITCH  
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## School rock band need your help!

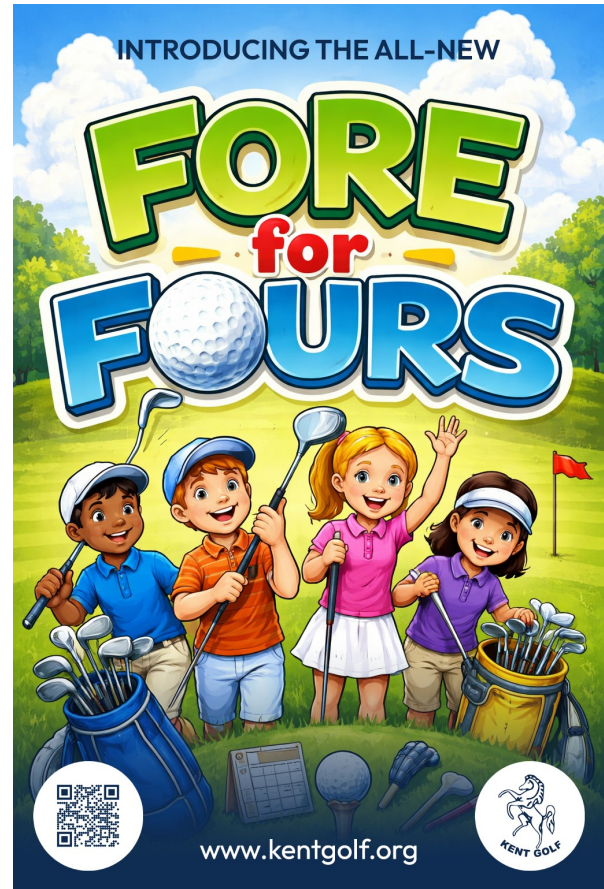
The school rock band has been practising hard all year but are in need of guitar amps. If anyone has a guitar amp or two at home gathering dust and you'd like to donate it to the school please do get in touch with our guitar teacher Tom. [Tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com/07736051082](mailto:Tomwilliamsmusic@hotmail.com/07736051082)




## No school run Clubs next Tuesday

School run clubs will NOT be on next Tuesday 10th March due to staff training.

Kent Golf are very excited to announce their first in a series of toddler golf sessions. The first batch of sessions will be for four-year-olds only and will be held at Poulton Wood GC with PGA Professional Mark Trow. Please follow our Kent Golf social media pages for future dates and age brackets, which will be announced soon.



**NEL** NHS  
North East London  
NHS Foundation Trust



Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams  
Medway Emotional Support Teams

### Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

**Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears**  
10/03/2026 - 3pm-5pm

\*Workshop timings change from term to term

Are your child's worries and fears starting to impact their day to day life? Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers and learn about ways to support your children so they can manage their concerns and enjoy themselves more?

You are invited to a workshop which focusses on understanding what anxiety is, the symptoms you may notice in your child and some techniques to help manage this anxiety.



If you would like to join, please **ctrl + click** the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

[Supporting Your Child with Worries & Fears | Meeting-Join | Microsoft Teams](#)

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

[EWandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk](mailto:EWandESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk)

We look forward to meeting you.



## Parking

Once again, a reminder to please be mindful of our neighbouring residents and do not block their driveways.



## Lost Property

We have had the following items handed in to the Acorn Office. If they are yours, please come and collect them.



## 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

09th Mar

Year 1, Tonbridge Castle

**10th Mar**

**NO CLUBS**

12th Mar

Year 4, Hever Castle

13th Mar

Break the rules day

13th Mar

PTA Bingo

20th Mar

Comic Relief

27th Apr

SATS + Devon parent meeting, 6pm

**05th May**

**NO CLUBS**

01st Jun

Safety in Action Trip

05th Jun

KS1 Summer Disco

12th Jun

KS2 Summer Disco

**16th Jun**

**NO CLUBS**

22nd Jun - 26th Jun

Year 6 Residential

04th Jul

Summer Fair

15th Jul

Year 6 performance, 1.30pm

16th Jul

Year 6 performance, 7pm

20th Jul

Year 6 Leavers Assemblies

Ash, 9.15am

Aspen, 10.45am

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Year 6 Leavers party, 4pm

New dates/times in blue