



Wootton St. Peters C of E Primary School

Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built.

Our Vision: **Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built. We explore the values of perseverance, compassion and courage to open up horizons of hope and aspiration.**

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SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 10th February 2023

Upcoming Dates:

Friday 10th Feb - School finishes 3pm.

Monday 13th Feb - Friday 17th Feb - Half term.

Monday 20th Feb - All students and staff return to school.

Thursday 2nd Mar - World Book Day.

Thursday 30th Mar - Easter service 9.30am at the church, all parents welcome.

Friday 31st Mar - School finishes for Easter 1.30pm
NO ASC.

Monday 3rd Apr - Friday 14th Apr Easter Holiday.

Monday 17th Apr - All staff and students return to school.

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter of this half term. As I have been telling you all term, your children have worked very hard since we returned to school in January and I know that you will be very impressed with the excellent learning that you will see in their books when you come in for Open Classrooms this afternoon. I would like to thank all the staff at Wootton for their tireless dedication in ensuring that they provide your children with excellent learning opportunities. I would also like to thank you for supporting your children with their learning at home and contributing so much to school life. You have made Tudor houses, volunteered to read, been secret readers and much more. We are a happy and hardworking school community and I am very proud and thankful to be part of it.

The Great Fire of Wootton

It was brilliant to see so many of you at our recreation of the Great Fire of London on Thursday. The Tudor buildings looked magnificent and I was very pleased that so many of us got to share this memorable learning opportunity. Thank you to all involved for making this such a great learning experience.



Online Safety Day

On Tuesday we celebrated Online Safety Day. The theme for this year is Want to Talk About it? Your children took part in an assembly and lessons in their classrooms and we discussed how it is important to talk about their experience of being online, especially if we see something that has upset us. Being online can provide us with many with many wonderful experiences and it offers a way to connect with each other, but it can go wrong. Please take some time to ask your children about their online experience, you may find the resources her a useful starting point for conversations <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/advice-for-parents-and-carers>

In Opal class I shared this story <https://www.childnet.com/resources/hanni-and-the-magic-window/> this is a great way for children to learn how to speak up and get help if they have seen something on the internet that may upset them.

Childrens mental health week - Let's Connect

We have explored how to look after our mental health. Thank you to Alex for his excellent explanation of what mental health is and how important it is to look after it, just like our physical health. This year is Let's Connect. Let's Connect is about making meaningful connections. Human beings thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections – to family, friends and others – this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. And when our need for rewarding social

connections is not met, we can sometimes feel isolated and lonely – which can have a negative impact on our mental health. We have explored these ideas in class and today discussed how making connections make us feel with Rev Stephen Coe in today's collective worship on spirituality.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

I wish you all a restful and relaxing half term.

Best wishes,
Charlie Pitt

Welcome our New Parent Governor



Hello,
I am Heather Hughes. I have recently moved to Wootton with my son who has joined Jade class. I am looking forward to getting started as a Parent Governor with this school, and to meet more people in the village. I hope that my background in Audit (including OFSTED) will be of help here too.

Please do come and have a chat with me in the playground if you have any ideas/concerns you would like raised.

I look forward to meeting you.

Maths Volunteers

We are very lucky to have many reading volunteers but we are now looking for anyone who thinks they can help with Maths. We have attached our updated calculation policy so you can see how we teach Maths at Wootton. If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact the office.

Paolo's Prayer

Dear God,

We pray for the people of Turkey and Syria, for all those who have lost relatives, we hope that all who died are granted a safe voyage into heaven.

We pray that any survivors, still trapped underneath mountains of rubble, are rescued and finally we pray for the children who may not even know what's happened.

Amen

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child's safety please do not hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) - Charlie Pitt or Carina Phillips. You can contact us via the school office by email office.3854@wootton-abingdon.oxon.sch.uk or by phone on 01865735643. For a copy of the school's Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy please visit the following section of the school website <https://wootton-school.co.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2022/10/Safeguarding-and-ChildProtection-Policy-2022-1.pdf>. I am pleased to tell you that we have registered for the NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe programme.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-staysafe>

Nursery places - We currently have Nursery places available in school. If you or anyone you know would like any further information regarding a Nursery place, then please contact the school office and we will be happy to help you.

Every Day Counts!



This year we will have a focus on making sure that our attendance is at least 95% for every child. Obviously if your child is too unwell to attend school they should stay at home but if they can come to school they should. Please avoid taking your child on holiday during term time as we will not be able to authorise this absence.

School Attendance

Little Gems – 90.05%

Opal – 98.62%

Jade – 97.07%

Moonstone – 95.35%



The School Shield

Little Gems – Elliot for his great Maths participation.
Fantastic work Elliot 😊

Opal – Emily for her amazing work in Maths, multiplying and dividing by 2. Great job Emily 😊

Jade – Jade for her great grammar and fantastic focus.
Well done Jade 😊

Moonstone – Edward for his improved effort in English.
Good work Edward 😊

This Week's ask me about????

Little Gems – Our Space Topic.

Opal – Our great fire of London recreation.

Jade – Our Roman shields.

Moonstone – Oxidation on nails.

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Reminders

We will be starting on week 1 of the new dinner menu on the first day back after half term 😊