



Attendance

Class attendance since September 2022:

Reception: 94.6%

Year 1: 94.5% ↓

Year 2: 91.5% ↑

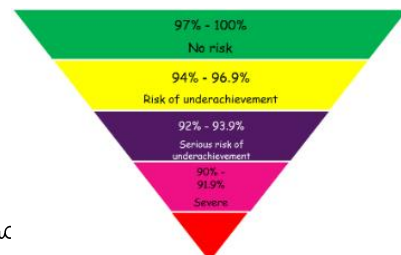
Year 3: 94.9% ↑

Year 4: 92.5% ↑

Year 5: 91.6% ↓

Year 6: 93.7% ↑

Whole school attendance



Pre-ordering

A few weeks ago, we sent an email informing you of our new pre-ordering system on ParentMail. All children's dinner orders will need to be pre-ordered via ParentMail by midnight the day before. If a child doesn't have a pre-ordered meal, they will only be offered a jacket potato for their lunch. This will be coming into effect as from Tuesday 21st February (the first day of term 4). We will set a reminder up to be sent every Sunday afternoon as a reminder. If you have any questions about how to use the ParentMail app, please speak to a member of the office.

Values

The value that the children will be learning about this month is **Creativity**. We have set up a competition to link with this month's value. Last Wednesday, children would've come home with two sheets of paper; one to write a book review of either their favourite book or a book they would recommend to someone in class, and the other sheet is a blank book cover for them to re-design the cover of their favourite book. These sheets need to be returned to your child's class teacher by Thursday 9th February, and the winner will be announced in assembly, on Friday, 10th February. We can't wait to see the children's creative sides flourish!



Star Powers

We have introduced a new Star Power to children, so they can now earn green stars as well as blue and pink stars to gain a class reward!



- * I control my own emotions
- * I am able to label my emotions
- * I can manage my disappointment
- * I know mistakes are opportunities to learn
- * I use my words to communicate my thoughts, ideas and feelings

Dates for your diary

Friday 10th February - TT Rockstars Day
Friday 10th February - Last day of Term 3
Monday 20th February - INSET Day
Tuesday 28th February - Y3 trip to Caerleon Museum
Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day
Friday 17th March - Red Nose Day

Term dates 2022/23

Term 3 - 3rd January 2023 - 10th February 2023
Term 4 - 20th February 2023 - 31st March 2023
Term 5 - 17th April 2023 - 26th May 2023
Term 6 - 5th June 2023 - 21st July 2023

Inset Days

20th February 2023
26th May 2023
21st July 2023



Emergency Alerts

Emergency Alerts is a new service from the UK government. It's expected to launch in 2023. Emergency alerts will warn you if there's a danger to life nearby. In an emergency, your mobile phone or tablet will receive an alert with advice about how to stay safe. Please follow this link to find out more information [Emergency Alerts - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/emergency-alerts)

World Book Day & Red Nose Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March, where children are able to come to school to dress as their favourite book character.

Friday 17th March is Red Nose Day, where children can come into school wearing something red/non-uniform.

VitaMinds NHS Talking Therapies

VitaMinds provide the NHS Talking Therapies Service in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire. This service provides free and confidential therapeutic support for anyone 16 and over who is feeling anxious, low, or depressed. We have a range of treatments available, including group work, 1:1, online programmes and telephone support.

As a parent/carer/guardian, you want to do the best you can for the children you look after. This isn't always an easy task and can leave little time to look after yourself. Anxieties and worries can play on your mind and stop you from getting things done or even feeling happy. If you find yourself worrying more than normal, feeling less motivated or just generally struggling with your mental health, VitaMinds can help.

Everything we do is based around Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, giving you tools and techniques you can use to overcome feelings of anxiety, low mood or depression amongst other things. For more information, either see our website here bit.ly/TalkingTherapiesBNSSG including our self-referral form or give us a call on 0333 200 1893 to refer in.

TT Rockstars Day

TT Rockstars day is on the last day of term, Friday 10th February. Children are welcome to come to school kitted out in their best rockstar gear, for a day full of times tables fun!



Hellos & Goodbyes

Unfortunately, it is time to say goodbye to two members of Woodlands staff; Mrs Dowling and Miss Peckham. Mrs Dowling has been with us since 2013. She has taught across many of the year groups over this time, and has become a well-loved and valued member of the Woodlands team. She will be greatly missed and we will look forward to welcoming you back in 2024.

Miss Peckham also left us on Friday of last week as she has secured a new role with more flexibility. She has been an integral part of our staff over the past 4 years liaising with staff, parents and children. Thank you Miss Peckham for all of your hard work during your time at Woodlands and wish you all the best in the next phase of your career.

I'd like you all to join me in welcoming Miss Peckham's replacement, Miss Hooper. Some of you may have seen her in the office last week and she is quickly learning how the office operates in our school. Please make her feel welcome.