

Woodford Green Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 9th May 2025



Key stage 2 performance results 2024 for Multi-Academy Trusts have now been released. Arbor Academy Trust is the 2nd highest performing Trust in London and the 4th highest performing Trust in England.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who has managed to take the time to complete the Summer Parent Survey. There are some incredibly kind and positive comments being made about the school and what we offer this year. We have also received some valuable feedback on opportunities to improve and move forward. We will close the survey on Monday; if you haven't had a chance to complete this, please do so - <https://forms.gle/xK9Qzfa8xM48b69dA>

Next week our wonderful Year 6s will be completing their KS2 SATS assessments. They have worked hard throughout the year and we wish them all the best. Thanks must go to Ms. McHugh and all of the teachers for their efforts to ensure that all of our children have the best possible start in life. The Year 6s are invited to come in at 8am for their special SATS breakfast and we look forward to seeing as many of them as possible. Good luck to all.

Our summer term after-school clubs have gotten off to a fantastic start with 3D printing club designing and printing key chains, Badminton club are learning how to serve, the cooking clubs have been cooking pizzas and the children in Nursery and Reception have been building their gross motor skills. We aim to ensure that all clubs are well-attended so if you no longer wish for your child to attend, please inform the office and we will offer the place to those on our waiting list.

Next week, Year 3, 4 and 5 will begin preparing for the Interschools Champions league debate competition which will take place on the first week after the half term. In addition, we will be taking children next Friday - 16th May - for the

Interschool netball competition. Our coach has been working with children at lunchtime to ensure we are victorious this year. Best of luck to everyone.

Trips are starting to take place with Year 2 going on their trip next Friday. Please keep an eye out for all notifications as we get closer to respective dates. We also ask that if you have the ability to contribute to the cost of transport, please do so. Your support allows us to ensure these trips go ahead.

Next Friday - 16th May at 9:00am - will be our RSHE (relationships, sex and health education) coffee morning. If you would like to get a clear understanding of what your child will be learning about, please do attend

Have a lovely weekend

Richard Barker

Diary Dates – Summer Term 1

| May | |
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| Monday 12 th | Year 6 SATS start. Year 6 children required to be at school for an 8am breakfast every day |
| Friday 16 th | RSHE meeting for parents of children in years 1 – 3, 9am start |
| Monday 19 th | Class photos |
| Thursday 22 nd | Parent Council. Starts at 9am |
| Friday 23 rd | RSHE meeting for parents of children in years 4 – 6, 9am start |

Weekly Attendance

Weekly and yearly attendance will be shown every week for each class. The school expected attendance is **96%**. The class with the best attendance each term will receive a special lunch.

Children whose attendance drops below 90% are classed as being persistently absent from school.

Please make sure that you phone the school office every day that your child is absent. You can leave a message on the absence line. We need a description of why your child is off; please don't just say that they are unwell.

Our gates open at 8:40am and close at 8:55am. Please make sure that you are on time to minimise the impact on your child's learning.

Year Group attendance – Week beginning 28/04/2025

| Year Group | Class Name | Weekly Attendance | Year to Date attendance | Year to Date Persistent Absence % |
|--------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Reception | Redwood | 91.4% | 92.8% | 16.7% |
| Year 1 | Pine | 95.1% | 94.4% | 13.8% |
| Year 2 | Teak | 97.5% | 95.5% | 13.8% |
| Year 3 | Cherry | 96.3% | 95.4% | 6.1% |
| Year 4 | Chestnut | 95.2% | 95.8% | 13.3% |
| Year 5 | Ash | 95.2% | 96.0% | 6.5% |
| Year 6 | Birch | 96.8% | 95.1% | 10.0% |
| Whole School | | 95.4% | 94.6% | 15.6% |

Certificate winners

Stars of the Week

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Elm Aadira Elora | Redwood Khadijah Angelo | Pine Jasper W Adonis | Teak Rowan Daisy |
| Cherry Zara George | Chestnut Ali Zackary | Ash Olivia-Mae Ensar | Birch Eva Isabella D |

Caught Being Kind

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Elm Nell | Redwood Daphne | Pine Zenaiya | Teak Emanuel |
| Cherry Ayla | Chestnut Stanley | Ash Alfie | Birch Dani S |

Researcher of the Week

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Elm Mila | Redwood Alexander | Pine Arianna | Teak Daman |
| Cherry George | Chestnut Daniel | Ash Jasmine | Birch Daniel H |



We are pleased to offer our Holiday Clubs for the Academic Year 2024/2025.

This year, the clubs will open from 8am to 6pm irrespective of sign up so do please choose that option if required.

Parents will also be able to sign up for all Holiday clubs throughout the academic year so please sign up until August if you choose!

Parents will be notified if their child has a place and will then be given a chance to pay online. Payment for the club must be made before the start of the club otherwise they will not be allowed to attend. Please follow the link to sign up:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rUBRqJR9P7Od9xDmyCCFLMQSxSCheO7TiO5EtW6BDXQ/edit>

Summer Term Clubs

All clubs run between 3:30pm and 4:30pm. Please make sure that your child is wearing sensible footwear and clothing for the sports clubs.

Mondays: Art (Reception/Nursery)
Dance (Years 1 & 2)
Football Skills (Years 2 & 3)

Tuesday: Photography (Years 1 & 2)
Cooking (Years 1 & 2)
Cricket (Years 4, 5 and 6)

Wednesday: Football Skills (Years 4, 5 and 6)

Thursday: 3D Printing/Imaging (Years 3 - 6)
Cooking (Years 3 - 6)
Computing/Animation (Years 3 - 6)
Multi Sports (Rec/Year 1)

Friday: Badminton (Years 3 - 6)
French (Years 3 - 6)
Movement/Coordination (Years 1 - 3)

Food donations

We are once again collecting food/household items for the local Food Bank in Highams Park. We would like our charity leads to really drive this initiative this time around and organise it.

We hope that they can join Mr Barker on the school gates from 8:40am all next week (Tuesday to Friday) to collect any donations that you may have.

Any donations may also be left on the table in the school office. Thank you for supporting your local community.

Appropriate School Shoes

Can we please remind parents that Crocs and open-toed sandals are not appropriate footwear for school. Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate shoes for school.

Class Photos

Monday 19th May 2025



VE Day Lunch and Year 6 Town Criers



School Council

During Summer Term, our School Council will be looking at the 5Cs and attitudes to learning. For the next few weeks, they will be nominating children in their class who show an intellectual disposition - a thirst and eagerness for learning. They will present them with their certificates each week in Phase Assembly. A huge thank you also to our School Council for ensuring that every class had a little treat to celebrate Eid earlier this year.



Year 6 constructing simple and series circuits in science



Leaf collecting with Nursery



Curriculum

At Woodford Green, we are extremely proud of the depth and challenge of the curriculum. Children are given exciting opportunities to create and apply knowledge in a variety of contexts. Whether that be through Year 3 and terracotta pottery to using editing software to create advertisements in Year 6, we strive to ensure children are prepared for the modern world.

Please see the links below to get further information regarding what your children learn:

[Science](#)

[Geography](#)

[History](#)

[Art](#)

[Design Technology](#)

[Computing](#)

[PE](#)

[French](#)



| You Said | We did |
|---|--|
| Improve the availability of clubs to more age ranges | <p>Spring Clubs offering was communicated in a fairer way to ensure all parents could apply at the same time</p> <p>Chess club has widened its offering to include year 3 children</p> <p>Clubs have a carefully monitored waiting list so that all children who apply are offered a place</p> |
| Ensure that the curriculum prepares children for the wider and modern world | <p>Kitchen and practical room is now in use</p> <p>Staff have received training in the use of 3D imaging software in preparation for the eventual use of the school 3D printer</p> <p>Improved information on website to communicate practical and problem solving aspects of the curriculum</p> |

School Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Spring Term: (60 days)

- Monday 6th January 2025 to Friday 4th April 2025.
- Monday 6th January 2025 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 17th February 2025 to Friday 21st February 2025.
- Easter holiday Monday 7th April 2025 to Monday 21st April 2025.

Summer Term: (64 days)

- Tuesday 22nd April 2025 to Wednesday 23rd July 2025
- Tuesday 22nd April 2025 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 26th May 2025 to Friday 30th May 2025

School Term dates 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term: (75 days)

- Monday 1st September 2025 to Friday 19th December 2025
- Monday 1st September 2025 INSET day
- Tuesday 2nd September 2025 INSET day
- Friday 24th October 2025 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025
- Christmas Holiday Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026

Spring Term: (55 days)

- Monday 5th January 2026 to Friday 27th March 2026.
- Monday 5th January 2026 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026.
- Easter holiday Monday 30th March 2026 to Friday 10th April 2026.

Summer Term: (65 days)

- Monday 13th April 2026 to Monday 20th July 2026
- Monday 13th April 2026 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026
- Summer holiday Tuesday 21st July 2026

Public holidays

- Thursday 25th December 2025 (Christmas Day)
- Friday 26th December 2025 (Boxing Day)
- Thursday 1st January 2026 (New Year's Day)
- Friday 3rd April 2026 (Good Friday)
- Monday 6th April 2026 (Easter Monday)
- Monday 4th May 2026
- Monday 25th May 2026
- Monday 31st August 2026



Help your child grow and thrive! **Family Learning**



Our family learning programme delivers a variety of courses, workshops and events both in person, online and at different venues in Waltham Forest - courses and workshops are free for families.

List of upcoming courses / workshops

| Course Code | Course Title | Venue | Date | Time | Day |
|-------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| FA0256C4 | Raising Confident and Resilient Children | The Junction Centre | 7.5.2025 – 21. 5.2025 | 10:00 – 12:00pm | Wednesday |
| FA0418F1 | Create a Woven Pot- Families learning together | Queens Road Family Hub | 29.5.2025 | 10:00 – 12:00pm | Thursday |
| FA0411F1 | Calm Parents, Calm Children | Queens Road Family Hub | 18/06/2025 - 16/07/2025 | 10:00 – 12:00pm | Wednesday |
| FA0216C4 | Let's explore Nature inspired Art - Families learning together | Walthamstow Library | 14/06/2025 | 10:00 – 12:00pm | Saturday |
| FA0419F1 | Create a Fabric Name Pennant – Teenagers and Parents learning together | Queens Road Learning Centre | 2/07/25 | 6:00- 8:30pm | Wednesday |
| FA0420F1 | Create Birthday Iced Biscuits- Teenagers and Parents learning together | Queens Road Learning Centre | 18/06/2025 | 6:00- 8:30pm | Wednesday |

**Enrol now through our website - www.lbwfadultlearning.co.uk
For more information email adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk**



Spring/Summer Menu 2025



Save the Planet MONDAY



CHOOSE FROM

Classic Tomato and Basil Pasta
Homemade Samosa Swirls
with Skin on Baked Wedges
Biryani

UNLIMITED

Sweetcorn Coblets
Seasonal Fresh Broccoli

DESSERTS

Cheese and Crackers with
Fresh Apple Slice

Allergen Friendly TUESDAY FDA

CHOOSE FROM

Vegetable Curry with Mixed
Rice
Jacket Potato with Baked
Beans
Cottage Pie Served with
Gravy

UNLIMITED

Fresh Carrots
Garden Peas

DESSERTS

Tropical Melon Slices

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

Allergen Friendly WEDNESDAY FDA

CHOOSE FROM

Jollof Rice
Spring Vegetable Pasta Bake

Chicken Shawarma with
Mixed Rice

UNLIMITED

Spring Greens
Mixed Vegetables

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Salad

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

Forest Eco Ranger THURSDAY



CHOOSE FROM

Pulled BBQ Jackfruit
Baguette
Cheese and Sweetcorn
Quiche with Herby Diced
Potatoes
Jacket Potato with Baked
Beans Coleslaw or
Cheese

UNLIMITED

Sweetcorn
Green Beans

DESSERTS

Yogurt Bar with Fruit
Compote



Fun Fact FRIDAY

Buzz
Lightyear's
original
name was
Lunar Larry

CHOOSE FROM

Crushed Chickpea and
Sweetcorn Wrap
MSC Golden Crumb Fish
Fingers served with a
Lemon Slice with Oven
Chipped Potatoes
Herby Chicken with
Oven Chipped Potatoes

UNLIMITED

Baked Beans
Minted Garden Peas

DESSERTS

Chocolate Cracknel and
Custard

Bats are the
only flying
mammals

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

CHOOSE FROM

Power Burger in a Bun
with Spicy Jacket Wedges
Sizzling Stir Fry with Egg
Noodles
Creamy Mac n Cheese

UNLIMITED

Fresh Carrots
Sweetcorn

DESSERTS

Yogurt Bar with Fruit
Compote

CHOOSE FROM

Gluten Free Margherita Pizza
 served with Herby Diced
Potatoes
Jacket Potato with Baked
Beans and Cheese
Meatball Pasta Bake

UNLIMITED

Green Beans
Fresh Broccoli

DESSERTS

Water Melon Slice

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

CHOOSE FROM

Spicy Tomato and Pepper
Pasta
Baked Countryside Cutlet
with Rosemary Roast
Potatoes
Roasted Lemon and Garlic
Chicken with Rosemary Roast
Potatoes

UNLIMITED

Mixed Vegetables
Spring Greens

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Salad

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

CHOOSE FROM

Sticky Tofu with Mixed Rice

Cheese Salad Baguette
Jacket Potato with Baked
Beans or Cheese

UNLIMITED

Sweetcorn
Fresh Carrots

DESSERTS

Yogurt Bar with Fruit
Compote

CHOOSE FROM

Roasted Vegetable
and Sweet Potato Burrito
MSC Bubble Crumb Salmon
Fillet or MSC Golden
Crumb Fish Fingers with
Oven Chipped Potatoes
Homemade Chicken and
Sweetcorn Pie with Oven
Chipped Potatoes

UNLIMITED

Baked Beans
Minted Garden Peas

DESSERTS

Waffle Finger Fruit Slice
and Vanilla Ice Cream

CHOOSE FROM

Vegetable Supreme Pizza
with Italian Diced Potatoes
Sunshine Pizza with Italian
Diced Potatoes
Minted Crispy Fishless Finger
Wrap

UNLIMITED

Mixed Vegetables
Green Beans

DESSERTS

Yogurt Bar with Fruit
Compote

CHOOSE FROM

Tangy Tomato and Basil Pasta

Jacket Potato with Baked
Beans
Chicken Curry with Mixed
Rice

UNLIMITED

Fresh Carrots
Sweetcorn

DESSERTS

Iced Fruit Smoothie

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

CHOOSE FROM

Chickpea Tikka Masala with
Mixed Rice
Country Garden Goujons
with Crushed New Potatoes

Beef Bolognese with Pasta
Spirals

UNLIMITED

Fresh Broccoli
Mixed Vegetables

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Platter

DRINKS

Soya Milk or Milk

CHOOSE FROM

Crispy Nuggets with Jacket
Wedges
Spinach and Ricotta Tortellini
in a Creamy Tomato Sauce
Jacket Potato with
Coleslaw or Baked Beans

UNLIMITED

Minted Garden Peas
Fresh Carrots

DESSERTS

Cheese and Crackers with
Fresh Apple Slice

CHOOSE FROM

Forest Fajita
MSC Golden Crumb Fish
Fingers served with a
Lemon Slice with Oven
Chipped Potatoes
60/40 Beef Burger in
a Floured Bun with Oven
Chipped Potatoes

UNLIMITED

Baked Beans
Sweetcorn Coblets

DESSERTS

Banana Sponge and
Custard



A mile is
5,280 feet
long

WEEK 3