

Dear parents and carers

Well, we've had another wet and soggy summer term! Considering the weather, it's amazing that we managed to hold so many of our events including sports days, Woodside Sings and our summer fair! Thank you so much for your support – we hope you enjoyed these events as much as we did.

As you'll see from this edition of our newsletter, the children have been busy making the most of all of the opportunities available at Woodside. We were particularly proud of the children on Crossover Day. Louise Jones and I checked in on all of the children in their new classes and they were all so happy and relaxed.

We say goodbye to some much-loved members of staff this summer. I'd like to say a huge thank you and good luck to Lynn Hughes, Bekky Yerkess, Teresa Jones, Kimmy Jones, Jess Sutcliffe and Caroline Harrison as they move on to exciting new adventures or just put their feet up and enjoy a well-earned rest! Thank you for everything, ladies.

We also wish our Year 6 children all the very best for their move to secondary school. We can't wait to hear about their successes in the future.

I wish you and your families a great summer and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September. Fingers crossed for some sunshine!

Claire Bennett
Headteacher





Rory, Thomas, Louie and Jack

Outstanding Woodsiders



Harper, Kacper, Elis and
Theia



Vitalina and Amelia



Year 6 Bikeability

Year 6 children took part in Bikeability training. This involved developing biking skills such as stopping safely, swerving to avoid obstacles and how to use arm signals. After that, they ventured onto the roads around school, learning how to cycle safely through junctions and how to undertake a U-turn correctly. The children listened brilliantly and impressed the instructors with their mature, sensible approach to the course. At the end of the sessions, the children received a certificate, badge and bike safety booklet. Well done to everyone who took part!



History Day

National History Day – 24th June 2024

The focus of *National History Day* this year was *Turning Points in History* so we decided to focus on *The Fight for Female Suffrage*. We looked at the actions of the Suffragists and Suffragettes, and examined the consequences of their actions. We especially enjoyed watching clips of *Mary Poppins* in which Mrs Banks is a Suffragette.

I enjoyed learning about how women fought to get the vote. It made me sad to find out Emily Davison lost her life at The Derby whilst she was protesting for female suffrage.

Vitalina

I found out that women over 30 got the vote in 1918, but women aged 21-29 had to wait another 10 years before they got the vote.

Evelyn

Sports Day



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Year 1/2—Visit to Oswestry Town Library

The children in Years 1 and 2 visited Oswestry Town library. They had a wonderful time at the library where they had a tour, listened to several stories and searched for hidden owls! The children then created their own book marks. They were keen to visit the library again with their parents and carers.



I liked the activities that we did at the library.

Alex

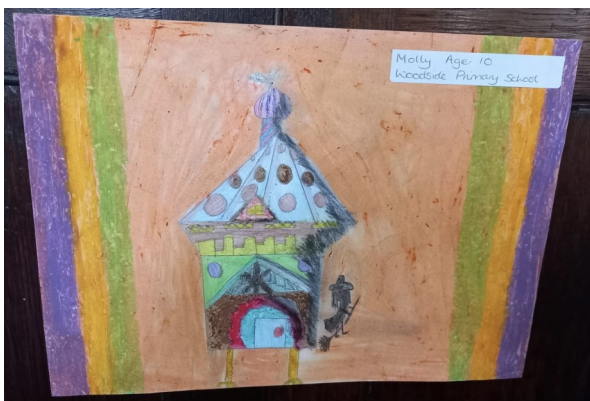
I liked hiding and finding the owls!

Mabel

Year 5—Art Competition

As part of Shrewsbury Festival, Year 5 took part in an art competition. Many local schools took part and, out of hundreds of beautiful pieces of artwork, there were only three winners. We are extremely pleased to announce that two of those winners were our very own Woodsiders; Molly and Jensen!

We would like to congratulate these winners along with every Year 5 pupil; their work was excellent and a huge amount of thought and effort had clearly gone into each piece.



Year 4 Chocolate Workshops

One of the highlights of the summer term for our Year 4 children, is the annual Chocolate Workshop. Working with our kitchen staff, the children had the opportunity to create 3 chocolate treats using milk, white and dark chocolate along with marshmallows, sprinkles and biscuits.



I really enjoyed going to AICO and watching *Despicable Me*; it was fun.

Dylan

Year 4 trip to Aico

We went to AICO on a bus to watch *Despicable Me* and we all had fun. We had squash, a Freddo and crisps in the interval.

Florence

As an end of year treat, we decided to take the Year 4s to watch *Despicable Me* in the auditorium at AICO. We were very warmly welcomed by the staff there who set up the Breakout Room for the children to have snacks and drinks in. Both staff and children thoroughly enjoyed the film and the whole cinema experience.

Year 4—Chester Zoo

This term, the children in Year 4 were extremely excited to visit Chester Zoo for their annual summer term trip. Everyone had a lovely day and the children spotted a variety of animals including penguins, lions, giraffes and elephants. Some children were lucky enough to spot a cassowary after learning about them during English lessons on the Daintree Rainforest in Australia.



Chester Zoo was amazing! It was nice to see the animals roaming about and to see everyone having fun and being excited to be there.

Reuben, 4EW

Year 1—Shrewsbury Museum



I liked it when we got to do some painting.

Lacey



Children in Year 1 went to Shrewsbury Museum to attend a workshop about a book that they had previously read. They had a wonderful time at the museum where they had a tour, painted fossils and looked for mammoths!



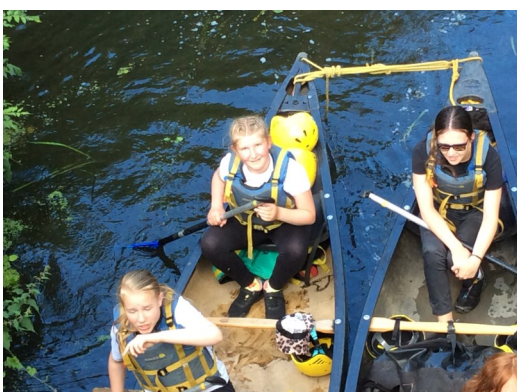
Trying to find the mammoths was great!

Harry



Year 6—Arthog

Year 6 children enjoyed a day full of fun and outdoor activities at Crowther Hall, near Welshpool. The children spent half a day rock climbing and the other half canoeing on the Montgomery Canal. Each activity required the children to challenge themselves and work together as a team – they were all brilliant!



Reception—Cambrian Heritage Railway



In the summer term, Children in our reception classes have been learning about how transport has changed over time. The children went to visit the Cambrian Heritage Railway and got the opportunity to ride on a Pacer train from Oswestry to Weston Station. We had a great trip to Weston station looking at the houses in Oswestry, fields and Mile End industrial estate. When we arrived at Weston station, we observed the historic waiting room and had our snack time on the station side.



Year 3
Tŷ Mawr Country Park



Children in Year 3 visited Tŷ Mawr Country Park to observe the River Dee and the surrounding area.

Despite the weather, they had a very fun and interesting morning! The children enjoyed looking at the wide variety of animals in the park, as well as identifying the features of the river.



I liked meeting the llamas. They were called Carlos and Pedro!
Ethan



Looking at the different parts of the river was really interesting
Scarlett

Woodside Sings

All of the children from nursery to Year 6 took part in Woodside Sings. The children learnt 9 songs and performed them to hundreds of parents, grandparents and carers. The weather was lovely and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.



Dates

Important dates

Thursday 18 July —Children break up for summer

Monday 02 September—PD Day

Tuesday 03 September—Children start back to school

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