



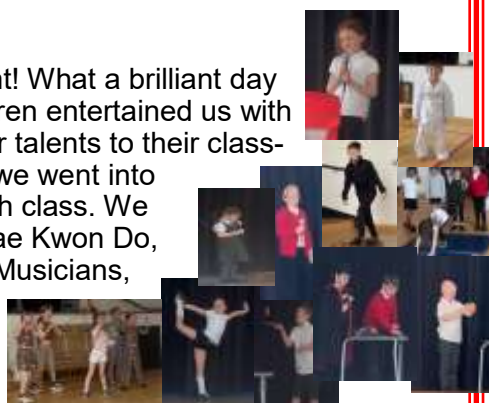
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Woodie News April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can confirm that Woodie has loads of talent! What a brilliant day we had last Friday when our confident children entertained us with their talents. The children all performed their talents to their classmates in the morning then in the afternoon we went into the Gym Hall to watch one person from each class. We saw a huge variety of performances from Tae Kwon Do, Gymnastics, Singers, Dancers, Magicians, Musicians, Comedians and a Ping Pong star. Well done our Woodie Weans, you never fail to impress us!



All our Primary 3-7 children have experienced a free trip to the Vue Cinema as part of 'Into Film Festival for Schools'. The children were super excited and came ready with loads of treats. It was a great experience and what a way to spend a morning in school! I know many classes used the film as a stimulus for great follow up lessons when they came back to the classroom. A big 'Thank You' to Miss McLarnon, who has been chief 'School Trip Organiser' this year. It's a huge job! Primary 5 were out last week to Whitelees Wind Farm and had a great time, even though they came back soggy! Primaries 1 and 4 will have their trip to look forward to when we come back. Just a wee reminder that if you still have to pay your **£5.00** towards the cost of your child's trip, you can do this via ParentPay.

I hope you have taken the time to read your child's Parental Report which was sent out via parentsportal. Next term, we have our parental meeting with the teacher on **Thursday 8th of May from 3.15—8.00m** when we look forward to welcoming you into school. I hope you have been online to book your appointment via Parentsportal. Appointments will close on Friday 25th April.

Mrs Aitcheson has already started to think about Sports days for next term. She plans to talk to groups of children to find out what they want to do this year and then she will be in touch with you about dates.

Our Primary 7 children are looking cool in their new 'Leavers Hoodies'. Thank you to Mrs Mitchell and the Parent Council for ordering these and to the Parent Council for helping a bit with the cost. Please can I highlight the importance of **ALL** our P1-6 children continuing to wear their red Woodside sweatshirts and uniform. It keeps us all as one team.

Finally, I just wanted to 'thank you' for all your support and co-operation. Next term is always a busy one. Whatever you are doing this holiday, enjoy the break from the school routine.

Kind regards,
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Dates For Your Diary

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| 22nd April | School returns |
| 28th April | Homework starts |
| 1st May | INSET School closed for children |
| 5th May | HOLIDAY |
| 8th May | Parents Meetings from 3.15-8pm |
| 20th and 21st May | P7 to HGS New P1 children to visit |
| 22nd May | Dress Down day (donation £1 children to choose theme) |
| 23rd May | HOLIDAY |
| 28th May | HOLIDAY |



Staff Update

Good luck to Mrs Abercrombie who leaves our Support Staff Team to have her baby.

Save the date

Our Parent Council are delighted to announce they will be holding the Woodside Summer Fayre on :-

Friday 6th June from 6.30pm-8.30pm





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Classroom Observations

The past few weeks, Mrs McKeller, Miss Officer and I have been visiting all the classes. We have seen many very good lessons, with children engaged in their learning. Children can talk about what they have been learning about, different ways they assess their work and how to follow our behaviour blueprint. A big 'thank you' to all the staff for arranging our visits. It was a real treat.



Room 11 Writers

Well done to Room 11 children as they all have had their writing published as a result of the 'Young Writers Wonderverses' poetry competition.



Primary 6 cycling

Our Primary 6 children have started their 'Bikeability' training. This will take place every Wednesday for 6 weeks. A big thanks to all the Mums and Dads who have pumped up tyres and sorted brakes to ensure their child can fully take part.

I would like to thank the parent helpers who are supporting us with this. We could not do this without you and appreciate you giving up your time.



Sporting Clubs

We have had a selection of sporting clubs who have all been out of school competing this year. A group of Primary 6 and 7 children from our Running Club did us proud at the Hamilton Cross Country Event. They came back minus one shoe! A special 'Well Done' to Jack who finished in the top ten for the Primary 7 boys and last week finished 13th in the South Lanarkshire Championship final! Our Primary 6 Netball Team have represented our school brilliantly! They are an enthusiastic bunch and on Wednesday made it through to the final. Our Athletics team have been superstars demonstrating great team work at their events. Both our boys and girls football teams have been out to a few tournaments, winning many matches. They are now aiming for the Davie Cooper Tournament on Sunday 27th April at the Palace Grounds. If you are free please pop by and support Team Woodie. A big 'Thank You' to the staff who have given up their own time to support these clubs and motivate our children to do well.



Thank You to local business 'House of Shar' who kindly donated new Woodside hoodies for our children to wear at sporting events. Hopefully they bring us lots of luck.



Primary 2 special visitors

I am so proud of our Primary 2 children as they have been off visiting their friends in both Centenary Gardens and the Avonbridge Nursing Home. The children have been amazing, brightening the residents day! Here is some of the feedback we have received :- "They are great, talk to you as if you are equal, like a pal" "Well Mannered" "I think they are a great bunch of Children" "Very kind-hearted and look forward to their visit"



"I can honestly say that the tenants love and look forward to the children visiting and I visited one of my tenants this morning and she has the artwork that has been done pinned on her kitchen wall." (Manager of Centenary Gardens)

Nicola from the Avonbridge Nursing Home said "The residence all look forward to your visit as the children bring so much joy into our home." The Avonbridge are having an Easter Fayre on the 19th April at 2pm and the children are welcome to come along.