



St. Michael's Woolmer Green Virtual Tour



Headteacher's Welcome – Mrs Jan Martin

Welcome to St Michael's Woolmer Green. I feel proud to be the Head Teacher of this very caring school. The staff here work incredibly hard to create a happy, stimulating and safe environment, where your child will be able to grow in confidence and develop the skills needed to face the many challenges they will meet.

Children are individuals and we aim to cater for each of them as such, so that they can achieve their potential, both academically and socially. We want our children to develop a love of learning that will remain with them as they grow and develop into young citizens.

St Michael's is part of a community that shares Christian values and has strong links with our nearby church. We support a variety of charities; this helps the children to think of other communities, outside of the school, both local and international and to consider others who are not as fortunate as they are.

We encourage good communication between home and school. Many parents and carers are involved in the Parent Council, which meets half-termly to discuss a variety of topics and give feedback to the school about new initiatives. Some parents like to get involved by coming into school and hearing children read or help on school day trips. Others become class representatives and provide the link to 'The Friends' of St Michael's, which helps to raise money towards providing community projects and special events, as well as purchasing important resources for the school.

If you have any questions as you take part in our virtual tour, please contact the school office on 01438 813267. If you wish to speak to myself about our school, via a phone call, please book this in with the office. admin@woolmergreen.herts.sch.uk

Website at <http://www.woolmergreen.herts.sch.uk/>

Our Vision

‘Shine as Lights in the World’

Our **hope** is for all our children, when they leave here, to be well prepared to take their place in the next phase of their education. Our aim is for them to ‘shine’ with confidence and to make responsible decisions, as they learn and grow.

The children are encouraged to recognise feelings and emotions in themselves and others, taught through the 'Zones of Regulation'. We have one golden rule in our school – to treat others in the same way you expect to be treated. This helps us to establish our **community** as an inclusive and supportive environment with nurture and wellbeing at its core.

We enhance **dignity** through our curriculum and policies, which are both underpinned by our school values and ‘My Personal Best’. These teach Christian values and core life skills to help the children become the best that they can be; demonstrating resilience, care for others and honesty.



We build **wisdom** in our pupils by encouraging them to be curious learners, constantly questioning and striving to find the answers, so that they develop into lifelong learners.

Our School

Each year group/class is named after a tree:

- Reception – Sycamore
- Year 1 – Willow
- Year 2 – Cherry
- Year 3 – Redwood
- Year 4 – Elm
- Year 5 – Beech
- Year 6 – Elm

There is a daily collective worship:

- On Monday morning for the whole school, with a focus on the month's value, as well as other themes and priorities.
- Tuesday is a key stage collective worship, focusing on world events and British Values, through Picture News.
- On Wednesday, a member of the clergy takes the collective worship.
- Thursday is a Celebration of children's work and rewarding children demonstrating our school values.
- Friday is singing practice

Each class does presents a class assembly during the year to parents and carers.

Each of the KS2 classes take turns at leading a service at the church for the school and parents to attend.

At the present time our collective worship is planned and delivered in classrooms, but we are still using the timetable above. Harvest has been taken by Year 5 and recorded in the church and will be shown to the other classes in school.

The School Values and Life Skills

The school has different value and life skills, displayed in all classrooms and the hall. Children in each class receive a weekly My Personal Best certificate for demonstrating the current values. The children designed the floor mosaic outside, which reflects these values, as well as Easter and Christmas.

The Values are:

Autumn Term-Friendship & Sharing
Courage & Love

Spring Term: Perseverance & Curiosity
Hope/Reflection & Imagination

Summer term: Trust/Honesty & Co-operation
Peace & Appreciation



My Personal Best

My Personal Best helps me to be the best I can be.

I will be Healthy ME.	I will be Social ME.	I will be Thinking ME.
Self-motivation Self-discipline Responsibility Self-belief Honesty Courage	Encouragement Communication Co-operation Gratitude Empathy Fairness	Evaluation Problem solving Decision making Curiosity Imagination Concentration
This means I feel healthy, happy and confident. I will learn to have: • Self-belief • Honesty • Courage	This means I have friends and can work with others. I will learn to have: • Gratitude • Empathy • Fairness	This means I like and am good at learning. I will learn to have: • Curiosity • Imagination • Concentration

Alongside our values we are teaching the children life skills, through My Personal Best. This is about encouraging the children to be the very best that they can be. These skills underpin all curriculum areas and are separated into three parts; Healthy Me, Thinking Me & Social Me. We begin the Autumn Term with Healthy Me, which focuses on self-discipline, self-motivation, responsibility, resilience and integrity.

Behaviour

We focus on rewarding positive behaviour with a variety of individual and class rewards. Each half term two children from each class celebrate their success by taking part in an afternoon tea with Mrs Martin.

Our Uniform

Girls	Boys
Pale blue/white blouse or polo shirt	Pale blue/white shirt or polo shirt
Plain grey skirt/pinafore/grey tailored trousers (summer - royal blue gingham dress)	Plain grey tailored trousers/shorts
Royal blue sweatshirt with school logo	Royal blue sweatshirt with school logo
White or grey socks/tights	White or grey socks
Sensible black shoes (not boots)	Sensible black shoes
St. Michael's school sun hat	St. Michael's school sun hat
PE	
White t-shirt with school logo	
Navy Shorts	
Plimsolls (KS1) / Trainers (KS2)	
PE School hooded sweatshirt (optional) or plain navy/blue sweatshirt and jogging bottoms for colder weather	
All PE kit should be in a clearly labelled small drawstring bag (available from the Smarty Schoolwear) which can be hung on a peg. Tracksuits may be worn (navy or black) for outside games in colder weather. Suitable footwear should be provided for those wishing to play football.	

Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back with a band in school colours.

Timings of the School Day

Classroom doors open at 8:50am and the children have some focused activities to engage in before the doors close and registers are taken at 9:00am.

Breaktime for KS1 & Year 3 – 10:15-10:30am

Years 4-6 - 10:30-10:45am

Lunchtime for Rec & Year 1 – 12:00-1:00pm

Year 2 & KS2 – 12:15-1:15pm



Children in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a free school lunch. Our lunches are provided by Herts Catering.

Lunchtimes are staggered so that there is more space on the playground and areas are zoned to enable focused play.

KS1 have an additional afternoon play with the day finishing for all classes at 3:15pm.

There is a breakfast club run by the school at 7:45am and an after school club run by an outside provider on Monday – Friday until 6:00pm, finishing at 4.30pm on a Friday.

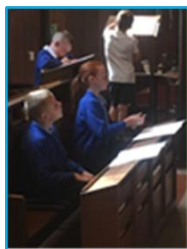
At the present time, classes are staggered for drop off and pick up, as well as playtimes. We are still running wrap around care and extra-curricula clubs.

Clubs run by the school and outside providers

Below are the clubs which are running this term. There is also individual music tuition; piano, recorder, flute, violin and guitar and a small orchestra which rehearses at 8:30am on Monday mornings.

Orchestra and Choir are not running at the present time.

French	Yrs 1 & 2	Monday	Hayley Lloyd Williams	11:45 - 12:15
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Dodgeball	Yrs 5 & 6	Monday	Premier Sport	3:05 - 4:30
Dance	Yrs 1-6	Monday	Mrs Lewis	3:00 - 4:00
Football Skills	Yrs 1 & 2	Tuesday	Premier Sport	3:00 - 4:30
French	Yrs 5 & 6	Wednesday	Hayley Lloyd Williams	12:10 - 12:45
Drama	Yrs 1-3	Wednesday	Mrs Love	3:00 - 4:15
Archery	Yrs 4-6	Wednesday	Premier Sport	3:15 - 4:30
Mindful Thinking Club	Yrs 4-6	Thursday	Kiera Boyle	3:05 - 4:00
Multi-Sport	Yrs 1-3	Thursday	Premier Sport	3:15 - 4:30
Dodgeball	Yrs 3 & 4	Friday	Premier Sport	3:15 - 4:30
Drama	Yrs 4-6	Friday	Mrs Love	3:15 - 4:15



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