



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E School

'Shine as Lights in the World'

Autumn Term News

Week Ending: Friday 23rd October 2026



Our School Value for the month of October is 'Sharing'

Our Jigsaw PSHE themes for the Autumn Term are 'Being Me in the World & Celebrating Difference'

Our St. Michael's Golden Rule is: 'We will treat one another in a fair and equal way and treat others in the way we wish to be treated.'

Forest School



On Monday, Mrs Peters shared our Forest School Safety Rules and discussed with the children why we need to stay safe and look after the environment. She ended with a lovely motto for us to remember:

**We Always Nurture Nature
It is alive!**

Just a reminder to send in any donations of toy diggers, lorries etc that the children could use in the gravel. We can always use more spades, buckets and sand toys as well for our sandpit. We had offers of tyre, pallets and boards at the end of the summer term but would still like some more as we have plans to build a proper mud kitchen area down in the Forest School. Please let the office know and we can arrange drop off. Thank you for your support.

Picture News

This week's picture news posed the question,



The children were told about eleven-year-old Bodhana Sivanandan from London, who has become the youngest person ever to earn the woman grandmaster title in chess. She achieved this while playing for England at an international competition in Uzbekistan. Bodhana said she was happy with her achievement and wanted to keep making history. The children reflected on the following questions: Why might people make assumptions about what someone

can do just because of their age? Can children sometimes be good at things that adults might find difficult? Can you think of an example? Is age always a good way to decide what someone can or cannot do? What opportunities should young people have to share their ideas and abilities? Please see our attached 'Take Home' picture news.

Oak Class - WW2 Day

On Tuesday our Year 6 children spent the day learning about WW2 from an expert, Dan. The children dressed in costumes from the period and enjoyed their practical learning from the many artefacts that Dan brought with him. They re-enacted the Battle of Britain and role played what would have happened when the air raid sirens went off. Lots of knowledge gained to bring back into the classroom for their history topic.



Pupil Progress Meetings & Book Looks

Thank you for attending our Pupil Progress meetings this week. We hope you found these useful and were able to discuss how your child is settling into their new class. You will have an opportunity after half term to see all the great work the children have been doing at the Book Looks.

Christmas Light Switch On

On Friday 27th November we have our annual switching on of the Christmas tree lights. For those that have not been with us for this before, the children are collected from class at 3.15pm and sing Christmas songs in front of the tree. There will be refreshments served and visitors with tables selling Christmas items. If anyone would like to book a table for this event, please contact the office. A £10 donation will pay for the pitch, but you must bring your own tables, shelter etc. We aim to be on the playground but if the weather is not good, we will move into the hall. More information about the event to follow.



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This is our first joint event with our new PTA, and they would like to hold a non-uniform day on the first Friday after half term to bring in some funds so that they can make this event a success. There is also wreath making which is in the diary for the end of November and the beginning of December. This will take place in the evenings in the school hall.

This Week's Attendance by Class

Sycamore - 98%

Willow - 96%

Cherry - 97%

Redwood - 98%

Elm - 98%

Beech - 99%

Oak - 97%

Congratulations to **Beech Class** who have won the attendance cup again this week!

Our whole school attendance this week is -

Half Term

Wishing you all a safe and happy half term. Thank you to all our wonderful staff for always supporting the children and the adults in such a positive way. We have had a lot of staff absence, but everyone has stepped up to do their bit to help. They all deserve a week off to rest and recover! Miss Thompson will be starting her maternity leave after half term, and we would like to wish her all the very best. We look forward to meeting her new addition to the family. After half term, please ensure your child always has a waterproof, and wellies should they wish to go on the field or down to Forest School at lunchtime. The wellies will be stored in our welly sheds by the field. We have so much lost property so please, please make sure everything is named.

Times Table Success



Congratulations to Finn, Ralph & Aadhya for their TT Rockstars Gone Green Certificates - awarded for recalling all their times table facts in under 6 seconds!

Celebration of Work

Congratulations to the following children, who shared their amazing work with the school in our Celebration Assembly:

Willow Class: Tevin

Cherry Class: Isabella

Redwood Class: Darcey

Elm Class: Finn, Poppy & Leo F

Beech Class: Jacob B

Oak Class: Skye

Celebration of our School Vision and Values

Thank you to the children listed below, for demonstrating our School Vision and Values:

Willow Class: Albie

Cherry Class: Janvi

Redwood Class: Freddie

Elm Class: Benji

Beech Class: Diellza

Oak Class: Max

Handwriting of the week

We are so proud of our brilliant hand writers this week, they are:

Willow Class: Max

Cherry Class: Lea

Redwood Class: Esme

Elm Class: Elliott

Beech Class: Tobias

Oak Class: Saffy

Reading Plus Certificates (Elm & Beech Class)

Congratulations to Madison, Elliott, Scout, Joshua, Owen, Poppy, Leo F & Leo V, who have been awarded their reading plus certificates in our celebration assembly. Keep up the great work!





What's On:

26.10.26 - **HALF TERM**

2.11.26 - Return to school

6.11.26 - Non-uniform day (PTA event)

- 1.30pm Stay & Play for pre-schoolers

13.11.26 - Children in Need

16.11.26 - Flu Nasal

17.11.26 - Year 1 Book Look 2.45pm

18.11.26 - Year 2 book Look 2.45pm

19.11.26 - Year 5 Book Look 2.45pm

20.11.26 - Year 6 Book Look 2.45pm

23.11.26 - Year 3 Book Look 2.45pm

24.11.26 - Year 4 Book Look 2.45pm

- PTA Wreath Making

25.11.26 - 9.15am Open Morning

27.11.26 - Light Switch On

30.11.26 - Occasional Day (School Closed)

- PTA Wreath Making

3.12.26 - PTA Wreath making

4.12.26 - 1.30pm Stay and Play for pre-schoolers

8.12.26 - Open Morning for prospective parents

- Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

9.12.26 - KS1 Dress Rehearsal 9.15am

10.12.26 - KS1 Nativity 9.15am

11.12.26 - KS1 Nativity 9.15am

14.12.26 - Reception Nativity Rehearsal

15.12.26 - Reception Nativity 9.15am

16.12.26 - KS2 Carol Service 9am

- Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner

17.12.26 - KS2 Carol Service 2pm

18.12.26 - School Finishes at 1.30pm