



WOODWATER ACADEMY

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Newsletter: Friday 19th June 2026

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 23rd June

Reception - Trip to World of Country Life

Thursday 25th June - AM

Year 2 - Trip to Berry Brooks

Friday 26th June - AM

Year 1 - Trip to Berry Brooks

Wednesday 24th June

Sports Day (Reception - Year 6)

Thursday 9th July

Cake Sale - Hughes Class

Friday 10th July

Non Uniform Day

Wednesday 15th July - 5.45pm - 7.15pm

Year 6 Performance

Wednesday 16th July - 5.45pm - 7.15pm

Year 6 Performance

Monday 20th July

Year 6 - Trip to Crealy

Wednesday 22nd July

Last Day of Term



Message from Mrs Chown



Today, we were delighted to welcome John Wood from the RNLI, who delivered an engaging and informative assembly for the children. We are very grateful for his time

and for sharing the important role the RNLI plays in helping to save lives at sea. Whilst we all enjoyed watching Miss Barrett race into her lifeboat rescue outfit, the session also provided valuable learning. The children gained a clear understanding of how to stay safe in and around water, what to do if they find themselves in difficulty, and the meaning of the different flags and warning signs used by lifeguards on the beach. This week it is Drowning Prevention Week, a nationwide initiative dedicated to educating everyone about water safety and the importance of knowing how to stay safe near water. The visit was therefore particularly timely. The children have also been practising key water safety skills in their swimming lessons, including how to shout for help, raise their hand to attract attention and float on their backs.

On a separate note, if you have any old pants and socks that your child has grown out of and are waiting to go to clothes banks, we are very much in need of pants and socks, in wearable condition, for children aged 6 and under. Any donations would be gratefully appreciated. Please drop them into the box below the office window.



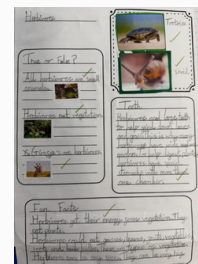
EYFS

This week the children in reception have been learning about maps and how we can use them to find different places. In preparation for the school trip, the children have been looking at maps of the World of Countrylife, and discussing routes they could take whilst they are there. The children will then use the maps whilst on the trip – hopefully we can find all the places they wish to visit!



Years 1 & 2

This week in Key Stage 1, the children have been busy exploring the fascinating world of herbivores. The children have shown great enthusiasm as they discovered what makes an animal a herbivore and how these creatures survive by eating plants. They then transformed their findings into their own fact files, demonstrating fantastic creativity and growing confidence in their writing skills.



Years 3 & 4

This week, Years 3 and 4 visited Stover Country Park to further their learning about plants in science. The children had the opportunity to explore the park, ask questions and showcase their existing knowledge. Through a range of fun and interactive activities, they learned about seed dispersal, pollination and the requirements for plant growth. The children were enthusiastic and engaged throughout the visit, making the most of this exciting outdoor learning experience.

Please see trip photos on last page of the newsletter.

Years 5 & 6

In Year 5/6 in science, we have been investigating forces. We have been using forcemeters to measure weight and we have also been investigating air resistance. In particular, we have been planning, and carrying out, an investigation into whether wing length affects the speed with which a 'spinner' falls to the ground.



School Attendance

for May 2026

95.2%

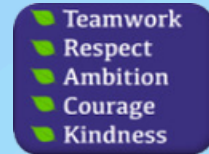
Best Class Attendance

for May 2026

Briggs

96.9%

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE



STAR ACHIEVER

12.06.26

Donaldson - Logan
Hughes - Parker
Murphy - Evie
Briggs - Tommy
Ahlberg - Esme
Smith - Daria
Dahl - Iris
Blyton - Arlo
Morpurgo - Bella
St John - Caleb
Horowitz - Woodwater Football Team

VALUES CHAMPION

12.06.26

Donaldson - Robyn
Hughes - Archie B
Murphy - Charlie
Briggs - Aubree
Ahlberg - Corey
Smith - Nashmeeya
Dahl - Dahl Class Year 4
Blyton - Blyton Class
Morpurgo - Advik
St John - Evelyn
Horowitz - Woodwater Football Team

STAR ACHIEVER

19.06.26

Donaldson - Emilian
Hughes - Radha
Murphy - Jewel
Briggs - Declan
Ahlberg - Skye
Smith - Archie
Dahl - Ruby
Blyton - Sophia
Morpurgo - Tyler
St John - Poppy
Horowitz - Damian

VALUES CHAMPION

19.06.26

Donaldson - Freya
Hughes - Jude A
Murphy - Victor
Briggs - Farid
Ahlberg - Maeve
Smith - Harry
Dahl - Mehran
Blyton - Zayd
Morpurgo - Lottie
St John - Pedro
Horowitz - Ella



Rosen Stars of the Week

12.06.26

Armaan M and Abhinav

19.06.26

Arina and Armaan E



Notice Board

Always follow the

WATER SAFETY CODE



Whenever you are around water:



STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguarded venue.



CALL 999

If you are at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard. Don't enter the water to rescue.



FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



Learn more about water safety. Scan the QR code



Years 5 & 6

The 25/26 football season ended on June 8th with three fixtures against Exwick, Montgomery and St Nicholas. All three matches ended in draws and the team did brilliantly, particularly against Exwick, who are a very strong side. A special mention must go to Darcie for her outstanding performances in goal. She has attracted praise from the staff, parents and coaches of other schools all season for her extraordinary blocks, clearances and saves. Antriano has also been excellent, leading the team from midfield. We have played 14 games in total; 16 children have played in matches this year; and while we would have liked more wins and goals, it has been one of the most enjoyable seasons I can remember. They have been a fabulous group and could not have represented the school better.

Well done to them all.



Last week, some children from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 competed in the Wilcombe Wobbler, a long-distance running competition against other schools in our trust. The children demonstrated remarkable perseverance, determination and teamwork throughout the event. They all gave their best effort and showed great resilience. It was wonderful to see them supporting their friends and children from other schools, while displaying such positive attitudes. We are incredibly proud of everyone who took part and represented our school so well.



