



Great [Wood] News

Spring Term 5



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Diary Dates

Wednesday 22nd March	-	Year 3/4 Football @ Cheadle Primary School
Friday 24th March	-	Non Uniform Day, Easter Chocolate Donations
	-	PTFA Easter Disco, 6-7.30pm
Monday 27th March	-	Stoke's Gotta Sing
Wednesday 29th March	-	Year 5/6 Football
Thursday 30th March	-	PTFA Easter Bingo
Friday 31st March	-	School Closes For Easter Holidays
Monday 17th April	-	Inset Day - School Closed For Pupils
Tuesday 18th April	-	School Re-Opens
Tuesday 25th April	-	JCB Women In Engineering Event
Friday 28th April	-	PTFA Family Quiz Night
Monday 1st May	-	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Friday 5th May	-	Coronation Picnic
Monday 8th May	-	Bank Holiday - Coronation of King Charles III - School Closed
Wednesday 17th May	-	Year 5 Transition @ TCA
Saturday 20th May	-	Spring Fair
Tuesday 23rd May	-	Dogs Trust Workshops
Friday 26th May	-	School Closes For Half Term
Monday 5th June	-	School Re-Opens
	-	Y6 Residential Visit



Belongings



Please ensure that your children take all their belongings home, from the cloakrooms and classrooms, at the end of term, thank you.

Year 3/4

After Easter year 3/4 will no longer be swimming on Mondays. However, they still need to come to school in their PE kits, on Monday and Thursday for the first half of the summer term.



Headlice

We have, unfortunately, got the problem of headlice in school again. Please can you be extra-vigilant in checking your child's hair each week and treat as necessary, to help us to eliminate this persistent problem. Thank you.



Safety Warning

We respectfully request that you do not send children to school with glass bottles. These are easily broken, posing a safety threat to our Great Wood children.

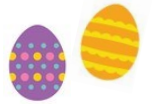
Please could you ensure that your child only brings a plastic, metal or silicone water bottle to school.

Thank you for your assistance with this.





Easter Events



PTFA Non-Uniform Day



On **Friday 24th March**, we will be having an own clothes day to support out PTFA Easter Bingo, which is on Thursday 30th March. Children are welcome to wear their own clothes for the day and are asked to bring a chocolate donation for the bingo.

We would greatly appreciate Easter Eggs, boxes of chocolates, bars of chocolate, chocolate bunnies, or chicks or teddies, or any chocolate goodies that you are able to donate.

So wear your favourite outfit for school and support your PTFA, to help us support you!



PTFA Easter Disco

This Year we will once again be holding our PTFA Easter disco. This will be on Friday 24th March, from 6.00pm until 7.30pm. The entrance fee will be £2 and each child will receive a goody bag and a raffle ticket for our draw, at the end of the disco.

All our Great Wood children are welcome, but reception children must be accompanied by an adult for the disco. So get out your dancing shoes and join us for a boogie!



Easter Bingo

Thursday 30th March @ Great Wood School



Doors open at 6.15pm - eyes down at 6.30pm.

Free Entry - Bingo books £1 each (5 games)

Lots of Easter prizes to be won!

Refreshments also provided.

Easter Egg Hunt



This year we will also be having an Easter Egg Hunt during the last week of the Spring term, where the children will be put into teams and set out to solve the mystery clues, that will be hidden around school and the school grounds (weather permitting)! There will be prizes for the winning team and I dare say there might be chocolate involved during the proceedings!

Spring Fair

On May 20th we will be holding our exciting Spring Fair. There will be a variety of craft stalls, a tombola, lucky dip, lucky jars and many more. If you would like a stall at the fair please let us know at the school office, or speak to Mrs Buckley. There is no charge for the table, we just ask for a small donation, towards our PTFA funds, which are used for all our children.

We hope to see you there!



Bugs! - We have a couple of bugs going around school at the moment, to help stop these spreading please can you refrain from sending your child back to school until 48hours after any episode of sickness or Diarrhoea. Thank you.

KS1 Swimming

After the Easter holidays all year 2 children will start swimming on **Monday 24th April**. The children will leave for their lesson on Monday afternoons so pupils will need to have their swimming kit with them. Swimming caps are available to buy from the school office at a cost of £2.50. Please note girls will need to wear a one piece costume and boys are not allowed to wear baggy shorts.



Arbor

Please be reminded to keep up to date with your child's account balances on Arbor.

We would appreciate any outstanding payments being made as soon as possible.

Please remember to top up the correct account as money can not be moved. Thank you.

Book Fair Literacy Magic Visits Great Wood

This week Great Wood has enjoyed a visit from the Scholastic Book Fair. All of our children have had the opportunity to browse through the books and add up to five titles to their wish list. They then took their wish lists home for parents to purchase books from them, should they wish to do so.

All the books sold, during the Book Fair week, generate a percentage for our school, with which we are able to buy amazing books for our school library.

Our children have thoroughly enjoyed looking at all the tremendous titles, which have ranged from Pokémon Phonics, to The Unicorn Who Came To Breakfast, to Spaceboy, by David Walliams.

Thank you to our amazing Great Wood families for purchasing books and raising an amazing £637.12 The school commission will enable us to purchase some amazing books for our school library, thank you!



Checkley Cricket Club All Stars Cricket Programme

The programme starts on 7th May at 9.30- 10.30 am and runs for 8 weeks. It is aimed at 5-7 year olds as an introduction to the game of cricket. Programmes in previous years have been successful and fully booked. The programme is delivered by qualified ECB coaches, who are DBS checked. For more details please visit [ClubSpark / All Stars / Course](https://www.clubspark.com/all-stars/course)



Comic Relief 2023

The children and staff had a fantastic day on Friday 17th, with lots of fun activities and our Great Wood's got Talent competition. Congratulations to our winner Isabelle Haycock.

A great big 'THANK YOU' to everyone who donated money for this very worthwhile cause.

Well done Great Wood, you are all stars!



We raised a grand total of...£107.05

Thank You For Supporting Red Nose Day Events @ Great Wood

Easter Holidays

We break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 31st March and we wish everyone a happy holiday!

School opens again on **Tuesday 18th April**, when we look forward to the start of our exciting and busy Summer Term.

