



Great [Wood] News

Summer Term 1



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Diary Dates

Tuesday 5th May	-	Y5 Bikeability
Wednesday 6th May	-	Y5 Bikeability
	-	Y3/4 TAG Rugby Competition
	-	PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm - All Welcome
Thursday 7th May	-	Y5 Bikeability
	-	Girls Football League
Friday 8th May	-	Sir David Attenborough Day
Monday 11th May	-	SATS Week
	-	SATS Breakfast week for Y6
Friday 15th May	-	Y5 Bikeability
	-	Y5/6 TAG Rugby Comp
Tuesday 19th May	-	Y6 Residential Meeting, 3.30pm
Friday 22nd May	-	Academy Photo's - Class Groups, Leavers & Teams
	-	School Closes For Half Term
Monday 1st June	-	Inset Day - School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 2nd June	-	School Re-Opens
Wednesday 3rd June	-	Year 4/5 Young Driver Experience Day
Thursday 4th June	-	Sports Day (Weather Permitting!)
Friday 5th June	-	Y6 National Memorial Arboretum
Monday 8th June	-	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 9th June	-	New Reception Visit 1, All Children - 9.15am - 11.15am
Monday 15th June	-	Year 6 Residential Visit
Tuesday 16th June	-	Y5 Transition Event @ TCA
	-	New Reception Visit 2, All Children - 9.15am - 11.15am
Monday 22nd June	-	The Cheadle Academy Induction *Please note date change*
	-	Move Up Day *Please note date change*
	-	New Reception Visit 3, 9.15am - Lunch *Please note date change*
Monday 29th June	-	Blythe Bridge Induction
Tuesday 30th June	-	Blythe Bridge Induction
	-	Y2 Bee Keeping Afternoon
	-	The Cheadle Academy Sports Awards Evening
Wednesday 1st July	-	CADSSA Athletics Tournament, Northwood

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Monday 6th July	-	Painsley Induction
Tuesday 7th July	-	Painsley Induction
	-	Reception, Y1, 2 & 3 Gladstone Pottery Visit
Wednesday 8th July	-	Painsley Induction
	-	KS2 Show Performance, 6.00pm - More information to follow
Thursday 9th July	-	KS2 Show Performance, 6.00pm - More information to follow
Monday 13th July	-	Drop In Parents Evening
	-	Painsley New Intake Parents Evening, 6pm
Tuesday 14th July	-	Year 6 Leavers Outing
Thursday 16th July	-	Leavers Lunch
	-	Leavers Service, 2pm, All Welcome
	-	PTFA Disco, 6.30pm-8pm
Friday 17th July	-	School Closes For Summer Holiday
	-	Camp Out
Saturday 18th July	-	Camp Out
Wednesday 2nd September	-	School Re-Opens To Pupils



Summer Term at Great Wood

We are excitedly looking forward to Year 6 SATS (only joking)! Our Key Stage Two Summer Production, Sports Day and hopefully the sun shining!



As Summer approaches and our children change to their summer uniform, can we please remind you that our summer uniform dresses are NAVY and white, not pale blue and white. Thank you.



Ice Cream Fridays



Our fabulous PTFA ice-cream Fridays are continuing for the Summer Term! Each week there is a selection of ice creams and ice lollies available to purchase after school on Fridays. Don't forget to keep bringing your 50p's!



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.

Menu Change

Due to our Sir David Attenborough Day on Friday, our kitchen team will be serving Fish & chips on Thursday 7th May.



Come and join Rainbows

Girls age 5-7

1st Tean Rainbows

Christ Church, Tean

Every Thursday

4.45-5.45

Register your interest by visiting

www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

or you can ring

Girlguiding on 0800 169 5901

Sir David Attenborough Day

On Friday 8th May, Great Wood Primary School will be celebrating the 100th birthday of Sir David Attenborough, one of the most influential naturalists, broadcasters and environmentalists of our time.

To mark this special occasion, we will be holding a non-uniform day. Pupils are invited to come dressed as:

- Sir David Attenborough
- Their favourite animal
- An explorer
- Or in wildlife-themed clothing

Throughout the day, pupils will take part in a range of engaging activities that reflect the significance of Sir David Attenborough's life and work, including learning about wildlife, conservation, exploration and caring for our planet.

We will also be enjoying a Teddy Bear's Picnic, helping to make the day even more memorable and fun for the children. Menu to follow. Please bring your favourite Teddy Bear to school on Friday.

To end the day, we would love parents and carers to join us outside the school from 3:00pm, where pupils will be singing a selection of songs together, including a whole-school rendition of "Happy Birthday" for Sir David Attenborough.

We are looking forward to a fun, creative and memorable day of celebration.



Great Wood Wrap Around

Great Wood Wrap Around Care, is available if you need it.

We open at 7.30am, until the start of the school day and from 3.30pm until 6pm in the evenings. We still have spaces available, so why not come and join us.

For further details, please contact Gina on 07398634160 or to book your place, please visit your child's Arbor account, under the clubs section.

We hope to see you there, enjoying the fun!



Stay in Contact

We would like to remind you that if you move house, change your email address, or get a new mobile phone number, you need to inform the school office as soon as possible. We need to be able to contact you in the event of an emergency, so it is vital that we have up to date contact details for all our Great Wood Families.

Please ensure that you let us know straight away, if any of your contact details change.



Attendance to week ending 1st May 2026:

Reception/Year 1 - 95.78%
Years 2 & 3 - 95.76%
Year 4 & 5 - 96.51%
Years 6 - 93.8%

Whole school attendance for the week: 97.52%

Each week Woody, our attendance bear, gets to spend the week with the class which has had the best attendance. Woody is once again spending the week in our Year R/1 Class with 98.28%. I wonder where Woody will be next week?



Cheadle Discovery Group



A project looking at life in the Cheadle District during WW2, through the pages of the Cheadle & Tean Times



Confirmed Activities and Events 2026

April

'Make do and Mend' Craft Sessions at the Tudor House
Organised in conjunction with Creative Cheadle
(see dedicated flyer for full details)

May

VE Day Exhibition at St. Giles the Abbot
WWII Souvenir Edition of the Cheadle and Tean Times
Aircraft Model Display at Cheadle Community Library

WWII Film Screenings at Wellspring Methodist Church

Friday, 29th May - 7pm

Hope and Glory
(1hr 53mins) - 15

Saturday, 30th May - 3pm

The Railway Children Return
(1hr 39min) - PG

6th June - Cheadle Spitfire Day

Cheadle High Street and Market Square (11am-4pm)

Full sized Spitfire replica in the Market Square

Family friendly event with Entertainment

Organised in conjunction with Team Cheadle

Suprise display to be unveiled by Creative Cheadle's Knitters & Stitchers

**For the most up to date information please visit our website:
www.discovercheadle.co.uk**



Y6 SATs Week Breakfast Club - 11th May - 15th May



A SATS Breakfast Club for Year 6 children will be available each morning of that week.

The Club will be open from 8am at a cost of £2 per day, (£10 for the week), per child.

*****Come and taste Ms York's & Mrs Buckley's delicious breakfast menu to prepare you for your SATs!*****

(Toast with jam, or chocolate spread, sausage or bacon baps, cheese oatcakes, pain au chocolat, tea, coffee, fruit juice).

Race Night

On Friday 24th April we held our PTFA Race Night.

There was a great deal of cheering and whooping as the horses romped over the finish line, in each of the eight races! Even with the bet per horse being just £1, we managed to raise an amazing £385!

The funds from this amazing total will go directly towards extra resources, coaches, events for our children and keeping trip costs down for our parents/carers.

We would like to send a massive thank you to our fantastic team, who brought this event together for the benefit of our children.



Fabulous, thank you!

Teddies

We are collecting teddies for our Summer Fair!

If you have any clean and not too tatty teddies, we would be very grateful for them, for our amazing name the Teddy Stall.

So if you have teddies in need of a new home, please bring them into school, asap and we will find them a new loving home!



Warm weather

Now that the weather is warming up (hopefully), could you please make sure that your child has a water bottle and hat in school and that they are wearing sun cream when they arrive, if appropriate.

Children may bring suitable sun cream to school, to re-apply themselves, on very sunny days (we have found that the spray on types are easier for the children to apply).

Their sun cream and hats should be named.





Dear Parent/Guardian,

All Stars Cricket programme at Blythe Cricket Club

I'm delighted to let you know that Blythe Cricket Club will be running an All Stars cricket programme this summer which gives your child a brilliant opportunity to get involved.

All Stars Cricket provides a fantastic first experience for all children aged 5-8 years old where they're guaranteed 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills development. The programme is designed to introduce children to the sport, teaching them new skills, helping them make new friends and have a great time doing so.

The sessions begin on Friday, May 1st from 5.15pm and will cost £50.00. Below is the link to book onto the programme. Children who have never taken part in All Stars before will receive a personalised t-shirt, bat, ball and backpack.

All Stars Cricket (5-8 year olds)

QR code to book



Link to book – <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Book/d97898d1-e039-4a6f-bbb1-11e66620e3ff?venue=blythe>

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Kind Regards,

Staffordshire Cricket

Lost items

Please check your child hasn't accidentally picked up another child's school uniform. If this is the case, 'pop' it back into school and we will endeavour to return it to its rightful owner.

Please, please, please ensure that ALL of your child's belongings are labelled. We can always find the real owner of a labelled jumper, or cardigan; anonymous items can be somewhat more difficult!



PTFA Meeting

Our next PTFA meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th May at 6.30pm.

All are welcome to attend, so please come along and join us and find out about our upcoming fund raising events and how you can help.

