

Wildmoor Heath Newsletter

ISSUE 7 - MARCH 2026

Welcome sunshine!

At last we've had a few days of continuous sunshine, which makes such a difference to everyone's mood! We have a busy month ahead - with many trips and parent assemblies. Please do check the key dates here, but also check the [Parent Calendar](#) on the school website.

We are due an Ofsted inspection sometime in 2026. The way schools are inspected has changed significantly since our last visit in 2022. Schools will now be rated across 8 areas: *Safeguarding, Inclusion, Curriculum and Teaching, Achievement, Attendance and Behaviour, Personal Development and Well-being; Leadership and Governance; Early Years*. Each area will be graded with one of these: *Exceptional; Strong; Expected; Needs Attention; Urgent Improvement*. Safeguarding is simply Met or Not Met. It is important to note that these new grades cannot be compared to old Ofsted grades - they use a completely different system. A change in grade does not mean a school has got better or worse. It is completely normal for a school to score differently across different areas. "Needs Attention" is like an MOT advisory - it flags something to work on, but is not a serious concern. Most schools will have at least one. "Exceptional" grades are rare by design and are reserved for truly outstanding practice. If you would like to know more, a short video from OfSTED can be found here: [OfSTED Video](#) and a written explanation here: [OfSTED Written Explanation](#).

As always, our focus remains on giving every child the best possible education. We will keep you updated as we learn more.

Mrs Vincent



Key Dates

MARCH 2026

Wed 11th Mar:

Y6 London Theatre Trip

Thu 12th Mar:

Y3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm

Thu 12th, 19th, 26th Mar:

Y2 Forest School

Wed 18th Mar 2.30pm:

Y1 Parent Assembly

Thu 19th Mar:

Y5 Chemistry Spectacular

Fri 20th Mar:

Red Nose Day - see separate letter
Y6 Heath Walk
Y3 Sleepover

Mon 23rd Mar 2.30pm:

Y2 Parent Assembly

Wed 25th Mar 2.30pm:

Y4 Parent Assembly

Fri 27th Mar:

Last Day of Term - finish at 3pm

Mon 13th Apr:

First day of term



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School Life

Attendance Matters

Wildmoor Heath's goal is to achieve an attendance rate of **96.4% or higher**. Currently, our overall attendance stands at **95.6%** (same as last month).

- **Year 1: 93.1% (down)**
- **Year 2: 97.2% (up)**
- **Year 3: 96.2% (up)**
- **Year 4: 94.7% (down)**
- **Year 5: 96.8% (same)**
- **Year 6: 95.2% (same)**



Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring your child attends school consistently. Every day truly makes a difference.

Changes to Absence Reporting



We have updated our absence procedures. If you need to report an absence, please use the MCAS app – refer to the recent email for more details.



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Thank You!

Thank you to **Melissa Jonker** for donating a number of boxes full of Amazon goodies - we are so appreciative of your support!

Please click on the Amazon Wishlist picture if you would like to buy items for our school. Thank you!



Year 3 & Year 4 Indoor Athletics

After the outstanding achievement from our recent year 5/ 6 finalists, our new Year 3 and 4 indoor athletics team were inspired to replicate their accomplishments. With 6 boys and 6 girls eager to participate in a range of running, jumping and throwing events, they certainly didn't disappoint. Whilst showcasing the Wildmoor Heath values throughout the event, the indoor athletics team showed outstanding talent, determination, resilience and finally, sportsmanship. With 28 other local primary schools competing, Wildmoor Heath finished in an outstanding 12th place. If there were Year 3/4 finals too, we have have achieved reaching them again!



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Pupil Parliament

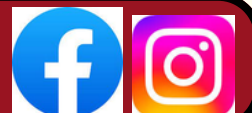
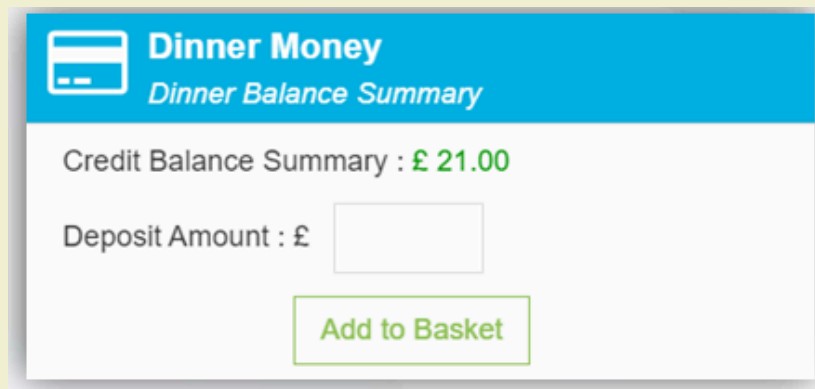
On Tuesday 2nd March, our 2 Members of the Pupil Parliament travelled to Croydon Town Hall to work with other children from other GLT schools to discuss belonging and how we can help all children feel that they belong within our schools and within our trust.



Lunch Balances

Please can you make sure that you keep your lunch balance in credit. We have 31 children with a negative balance. Here are the instructions within the MCAS app.

<https://docs.bromcom.com/knowledge-base/how-to-view-and-add-dinner-money-in-mcas/>





Class News

Reception (Butterflies)

The Butterfly Class had an amazing Space Day! The children arrived in fantastic space costumes and were ready for a day full of adventure. Throughout the day, they blasted off into space through imaginative play, took part in exciting space-themed games, completed their very own astronaut training, and even had the chance to taste some "space food"! The children were so engaged, curious, and enthusiastic!



Class News

Year 1

We have had a great start to Spring 2 in Year one! In Geography, the children have been learning all about the countries that make up the United Kingdom. We have explored where we live and discussed some of the famous landmarks found across the UK. To bring our learning to life, the children used playdough to create their own models of well-known landmarks. We were so impressed with their creativity and attention to detail when making the Angel of the North and Clifton Suspension Bridge. In Design and Technology, we have started preparing for our smoothie project! To help us decide which ingredients to use, the children took part in a fruit and vegetable tasting session. They tasted a variety of fruits and vegetables, describing the flavours and textures using exciting vocabulary such as sweet, sour, juicy and crunchy.



Year 2

Year 2 have made a great start to the term! The children have shown wonderful enthusiasm especially in our PE lessons. In Gymnastics, they have been exploring basic shapes including straddle, star and arch using the equipment safely. It has been lovely to see them building their confidence and strength. Well done Year 2!



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Year 3

Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed their golf lessons from Wellington College. The children have learnt how to hold a golf club correctly and safely, how to make a putt shot, chip a golf ball, and make a longer shot. They have listened well and are starting to learn and practise new skills.

We had a lovely Heath walk last with Michael. We explored our local heathland looking out in particular for the different types of birds we find at Wildmoor Heath. Michael then came back into the classroom and shared some information about the Nightjar and the Dartford Warbler.

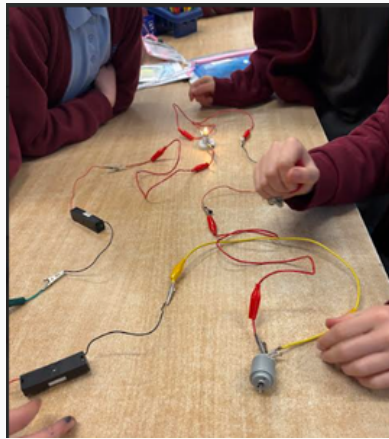
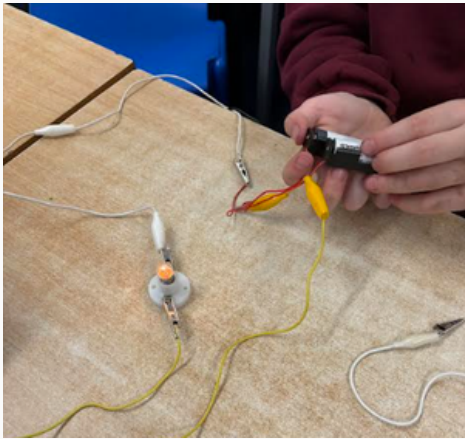
Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age. They have learnt about the different periods in the Stone Age, how Stone Age people survived and the significance of Skara Brae and Stonehenge as important Stone Age places. We ended the learning with making model of Stonehenge using biscuits, calling them biscuithenge!



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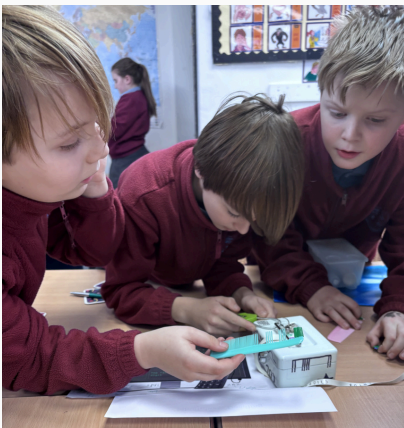
Year 4

Another terrific month in the world of Year 4! After coming to the end of our science unit – electricity – the class had the opportunity to explore with the circuits using equipment such as wires, bulbs, motors, switches, batteries, etc. Whilst using their investigative skills they answered key questions within their groups – what would happen if we added more than one bulb, another battery and a further switch! As part of number day, Year 4 took to the outdoors and continued their learning on 'length and perimeter' and measured the Wildmoor outdoor equipment using metre sticks and reported their findings. We now look forward to brighter mornings/ evenings and warmer days ahead!



Year 5

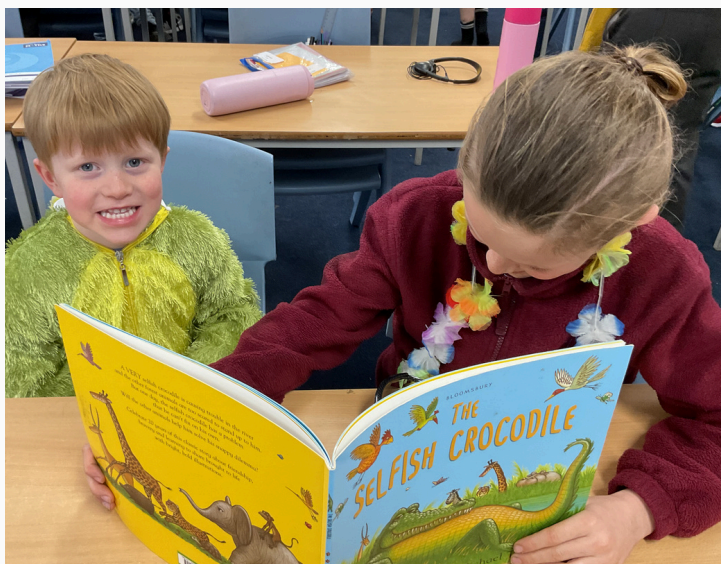
Year 5 were delighted to welcome pupils from Wellington College, who kindly ran an engaging escape room challenge for the class. The children worked brilliantly in teams to solve a range of puzzles, showing excellent communication, resilience and problem-solving skills. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



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Year 6

For World Book Day, Year 6 enjoyed some special visitors to celebrate their love of reading. Some Year 6 pupils went down to Reception to read stories with the children, while Reception pupils also visited Year 6 to share books together. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to connect across year groups and celebrate reading in a fun and meaningful way.



More World Book Day photos to follow in next month's newsletter...



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Safeguarding and Child Protection

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is defined as:

1. Protecting children from maltreatment;
2. Preventing the impairment of children's mental and physical health or development;
3. Ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care;
4. Taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

At Wildmoor Heath School, **all staff maintain a culture of vigilance** and put the health and safety, learning progress and pastoral needs of our learners first. We have robust safeguarding procedures in place, including annual formal training for all staff.

Wildmoor Heath have three trained DSLs who receive multi-agency training, attend ongoing formative sessions and represent the school at Child Protection meetings. **Mrs Vincent** is the Designated Safety Leader (DSL), supported by **Mrs Joseph** and **Mrs Pratt** as our Deputy Designated Safety Leaders (DDSLs).

Our Safeguarding Policy can be found on the school website and/or a copy can be requested from the school office.

If you have any concerns whatsoever about a child, or something that you have witnessed inside or outside of school, please speak one of our safeguarding team.

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