Great [Wood] News Spring Term 4





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Diary Dates

Friday 25th March	-	Mothers Day Supports Ukraine
Friday 1st April	-	PTFA Easter Disco, 6pm-7.30pm
Monday 4th April	-	PTFA Easter Bingo
Tuesday 5th April	-	Reception and Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme
Wednesday 6th April	-	Drop In Parents Evening
Friday 8th April	-	Last Day For Easter Competition Entries
	-	Easter Egg Hunt
	-	School Closes For Easter
Monday 25th April	-	School Re-Opens
Monday 2nd May	-	Bank Holiday School Closed
Monday 9th May	-	KS2 SATS Week
Monday 6th June	-	Year 6 Residential Visit To Laches Wood

Mothers Day Treats

For Mothers Day this year we will be helping our children create a Mothers Day Treat for their Mum, Nan, Carer, or family member to enjoy. These, we hope will put a smile on your faces and enable you to appreciate our children's creativity!

Mothers Day Surprises



Thank you to everyone who has donated gifts for our Mothers Day Stall. On Friday 25th March, each child will purchase a gift, costing 50p for their Mum, Grandma, Auntie or family member. The gifts will then be gift wrapped and labelled for children to take home and present to their Mums on Mothering Sunday, as a real surprise.

Mothers Day Supports The Ukraine

On Friday 25th March we will all be dressing in blue and yellow for a donation of your choice - funds going charities supporting children in the Ukraine. Along with many primary and secondary schools across the country, we are supporting these charities to help children, orphans and homeless children, at a time when they find themselves with nothing, through no fault of their own. We hope you will be able to help us support this essential charity.



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 Jean, or 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!

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Our Great Wood children threw themselves into the spirit of Red Nose Day. As a school we decided to provide a fun, wacky day, while raising money for Comic Relief. Our year 4/5 class devised many exciting activities for our children, there was a Penalty shoot-out, a red nose and spoon race and a red nose hunt. A great deal of fun was had by all!

Our amazing staff did not escape the fun either. Our children voted for their fate and they got splatted with wet sponges, chased with super soakers and had their faces painted – by the children! They bravely put their hands into mysterious boxes to identify the contents and had their hair done at the Reception Hair Salon! Our children wore red for the day, or Comic Relief attire, they bought Comic Relief cookies, lovingly baked by our amazing kitchen staff and gave generous donations for the charity.

As a school we raised a fantastic £405.57. We would like to thank our amazing Great Wood families, staff and of course our fabulous children.





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 Unicorns Don't Like Rainbows, to Harry Potter, War at Hogwarts.

Thank you to our amazing Great Wood families for purchasing books and raising an outstanding £871.66. The school commission will enable us to purchase some amazing books for our school library, thank you!









Easter Events



This Year we will once again be holding our PTFA Easter disco. This will be on Friday 1st April, from 6.00pm until 7.30pm. The entrance fee will be $\pounds 2$ and each child will receive a goody bag and a raffle ticket for our draw, at the end of the disco. The winning ticket will get an Easter Surprise.

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!



PTFA Non-Uniform Day

<u>Easter Bingo</u>

Monday 4th April @ Great Wood School



Doors open at 6.15pm - eyes down at 6.30pm. Free Entry - Bingo book £1 each (5games) Lots of Easter prizes to be won! Refreshments also provided.



On Friday 1st April, we will be having an own clothes day to support out PTFA Easter Bingo, which is on Monday 4th April. 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!





Easter competition

This year we are inviting our Great Wood children to take part in two Easter competitions.



Reception, Year 1& 2 - Easter Poster

KS1's challenge is to design an exciting Easter poster. Get out your paints, felt tips, crayons, collage materials, or anything else you can think of to design your 2022 Easter Poster. They can have and Easter theme, bunnies, eggs, lambs, chocolate, chicks to name but a few—the choice is yours.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6—Decorate and Egg

For KS2 we would like you to decorate an egg—we are looking for vibrant colour, interesting designs, exciting materials and creativity. Siblings in school are welcome to decorate a family entry, or decorate individual eggs.

For the best designs and winning posters there will be special prizes, which may involve chocolate!

All entries should be sent into school between Wednesday 6th April and Friday 8th April. Judging will take place and prizes will be awarded on Friday 8th April. So put on your creative heads and get designing!



Easter Egg Hunt

This year we will also be having an Easter Egg Hunt on the last day 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!



<u>Bugs!</u>

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.

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.