

## Great [Wood] News

### **Spring Term 5**





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#### **Diary Dates**

Friday 28th March - Non-Uniform Day - Chocolate Donations

Tuesday 1st April - Year 5/6 Swimming Gala

Thursday 3rd April - PTFA Easter Bingo \*\*Please Note Date Change\*\*

Wednesday 9th April - Year 1/2 Gymnastics Competition - Separate letter to those involved

Thursday 10th April - PTFA Easter Disco, 6-7.30pm

Friday 11th April - School Closes For Easter Holidays

Monday 28th April - School Re-Opens

- Year 2/3 Swimming Starts

Tuesday 29th April - St Johns Ambulance First Aid Training Day

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed

Wednesday 7th May - Year 3/4 Rugby Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

Thursday 8th May - VE Day Celebrations

Monday 12th May - SATS Week

SATS Breakfast week for Year 6

Friday 16th May - Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

Tuesday 20th May - Year 5 Bikeability

- Year 6 Residential Meeting, 3.45pm

Wednesday 21st May - Year 5 Bikeability

Thursday 22nd May - Reception, Y1, 2 & 3 Visit to Peak Wildlife Park

Friday 23rd May - School Closes For Half Term

Monday 2nd June - School Re-Opens

Wednesday 4th June - Year 5/6 Young Driver Experience Day

Friday 6th June - Sports Day (Weather Permitting)!

Monday 9th June - New Reception Visit 1, All Children - 9.00am - 11.00am

Tuesday 10th June - Y5/6 Cricket Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

Wednesday 11th June - Reserve Sports Day

Thursday 12th June - Y6 Sports Morning@ TCA

Monday 16th June - Year 6 Residential Visit

Painsley Induction Morning

New Reception Visit 2, All Children - 9.00am - 11.00am

Monday 23rd June - The Cheadle Academy Induction

- Move Up Day

- New Reception Visit 3, All Children - 9.00am - Lunch

Tuesday 24th June - Academy Photo's - Class Groups, Leavers & Teams

Thursday 26th June - Year 5/6 Rounders Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

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#### **Diary Dates Continued...**

Friday 27th June - Year 5/6 Rugby Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

Monday 30th June - Blythe Bridge Induction

Blythe Bridge New Intake Parents Evening

Tuesday 1st July - Blythe Bridge Induction

CADSSA Athletics Tournament, Northwood

The Cheadle Academy Sports Awards Evening

Wednesday 2nd July - Windsor Park Induction

Thursday 3rd July - Windsor Park Induction

Monday 7th July - Painsley Induction

Tuesday 8th July - Painsley Induction

Wednesday 9th July - Painsley Induction

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 KS2 Show Performance, 6.00pm - More information to follow
 Thursday 10th July
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Tuesday 15th July - Drop In Parents Evening
Wednesday 16th July - Year 6 Leavers Outing

Thursday 17th July - Leavers Service, 2pm, All Welcome

PTFA Leavers Disco, 6.30pm-8pm

Friday 18th July - School Closes For Summer Holiday

- Camp Out

Saturday 19th July - Camp Out

Tuesday 2nd September - School Re-Opens To Pupils



#### **Break Sales Price Increase**

We have been made aware that there will be an increase to school break prices from 1st April 2025, prices will be as follows:

Toast38pJam on Toast44pMilkshake82pAmerican Pancake49p



#### The Literacy magic of the Book Fair Visits Great Wood.

Last 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 Dog Man, to Finding Bear, to Space Chimp, to Kensuke's Kingdon by Michael Morpurgo.

Thank you to our amazing Great Wood families for purchasing books and raising a staggering £928.37. This is the highest total our Book Fair has received since 2006!!

The huge school commission will enable us to purchase some amazing books for our school library, thank you all!









# Easter Events







On **Friday 28th March**, we will be having an own clothes day to support out PTFA Easter Bingo, which is on Thursday 3rd 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, chicks, or teddies, or any chocolate goodies that you are able to donate.

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

#### **Easter Bingo**

Thursday 3rd April @ 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.

#### **PTFA Easter Disco**

This Year we will once again be holding our PTFA Easter disco. This will be on Thursday 10th April, 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 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, which 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!



### **Easter competition**



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

#### Reception, Year 1 & 2

KS1 challenge is to complete one of Mrs Rees' pre printed Easter Cards.

Get out your paints, felt tips, crayons, collage materials or anything else you think could enhance your design.

#### Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

For KS2 we would like you to design your own Easter card.

We are looking for vibrant colour, interesting designs, exciting materials and creativity. If you would like some card, please collect some from Mrs Rees.

For the best designs and winners there will be special prizes, which may involve chocolate! All entries should be sent to school by <u>Wednesday 9th April.</u>

So put on your creative heads and get designing!



#### Comic Relief 2025

The children and staff had a fantastic day on Friday 21st March, with lots of fun activities for our Great Wood children. 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...£177.55.

Thank you for supporting the Red Nose day events at Great Wood.



#### in2thewildwood presents an

Outdoor Woodland Fun Day — imagine a montage of Swallows & Amazons, bushcraft, guiding & scouting, Forest School, Woodlore and Social Forester led activities

**EASTER HOLIDAY 2025** 

08:30 - 16:00 hours

Great Wood's Lower-field and Woodland-area
Tuesdays 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025
£27.00 per learner per session
for those from Years 3, 4, 5, & 6
Max. of 10 – first come first served!

Your folks will be doing a number of things to keep them focused, happy and skilled up: from fire striking to creating cooking fires; making hot drinks; baking pizza and breads over an open campfire, wide games-scavenger hunt, tug-o-war, foraging; making woodland products-mallets, woodland friends, woodallions; using sharpedged tools; building shelters and dens; learning tracking skills; using walkie-talkies in the woods; learning to whittle safely with a real forester's knife; bird and wildlife watching and many more themes besides – the sessions are free-flowing young person centred with the activity choices dependent upon them and so the actual content may differ! My twenty year plus track record shows that everyone leaves more than contented, inspired, skilled and ready for a great night's kip!

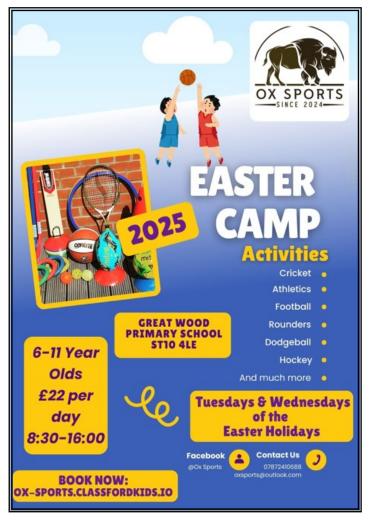
Please ensure that your young folks are <u>well equipped for the woodland</u>: bringing along their required personal medicines, a rucksack or sturdy bag containing their kit (not plastic or paper bags), wet weather gear (coat, over trousers & hat), warn hat, a blanket (for around the camp fire), sturdy shoes, boots or Wellingtons, long-trousers, long-sleeved tops, warm layers & gloves, a pair of heavy duty gardening gloves that fit them, a mat/thick plastic bag to sit on, their packed lunch & a mug. Kindly ensure that the medical and photo consent forms are completed and

Payment is in advance with a cancellation and a refund <u>ONLY</u> being made should the winds be forecasted to exceed 24m.p.h for the day!















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## Do you ask yourself any of these questions?

If yes then we may be able to help.

- Do I have enough money at the end of the month?
- Can I afford all my bills?
- Can I afford to eat?
- Am I in debt? How can debts be paid?

We offer a FREE and CONFIDENTIAL service to all our clients.

Please come and see us if you are struggling.

Please drop in to make an appointment.

Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.00am

Fridays 1.30pm - 3.00pm

or call 07902 835158

The Oakley Room, Catholic Guildhall, Tape Street, Cheadle ST10 1BG https://cheadledistrict.foodbank.org.uk



