



# Great [Wood] News

## Spring Term 6



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### Diary Dates

Wednesday 9th April	-	Year 1/2 Gymnastics Competition - Separate letter to those involved
Wednesday 9th April	-	PTFA Easter Disco, 6-7.30pm <b>**Please Note Date Change**</b>
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
Wednesday 30th April	-	PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm
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
Friday 27th June	-	Year 5/6 Rugby Tournament - Separate letter to those involved

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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
Wednesday 9th July	-	KS2 Show Performance, 6.00pm - More information to follow
Thursday 10th July	-	KS2 Show Performance, 6.00pm - More information to follow
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
<b>Friday 18th July</b>	-	<b>School Closes For Summer Holiday</b>
	-	Camp Out
Saturday 19th July	-	Camp Out
Tuesday 2nd September	-	School Re-Opens To Pupils



# Plant Sale & Art and Craft Fair

Order bedding and basket plants by **6 May**

We bring your plants direct from the grower,  
for your collection on



**Sunday 18 May**  
**Alton Village Hall**  
**10.30am - 2.30pm**

Return an order form or order online  
<https://form.jotform.com/1staltonscouts/alton-scouts-2025-plant-form>



Your order supports the work of Alton Scouts to provide adventurous activities, encourage teamwork, and build resilience, commitment and skills for life for over 70 young people, here in our local community.



### Swimming

Our Year 4 class swimming has now finished.

After Easter, all our Year 2 & 3 children will start swimming on **Monday 28th April 2025**.

The children will leave for their lesson on Monday afternoons, so pupils will need to have their swimming kit with them.

Please note girls will need to wear a one piece costume and boys are not allowed to wear baggy shorts.



### PE Days

After Easter there are some slight changes to some PE days. Please can all children wear their PE kit on PE days, as follows:

Year R/1	Wednesday & Thursday
Year 2/3	Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
Year 4	Monday & Wednesday
Year 5/6	Monday & Wednesday

### Belongings

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





# Easter Events



## PTFA Easter Disco

This Year we will once again be holding our PTFA Easter disco. This will be on Wednesday 9th 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 **Wednesday 9th April.**

So put on your creative heads and get designing!

## Ice Cream Fridays!

Starting Friday 2nd May we will be reinstating our PTFA ice cream (and lollies) Fridays. This is where our PTFA set up a stall outside school and sell ice creams for 50p each, to our children and families.

The stall is manned by volunteers and we would be grateful if any of our parents could spare 1/2 an hour on a Friday to sell the ice creams. The stall is run on a rota, so nobody is expected to volunteer every week.

Please contact the school office, Mrs Buckley, or Mrs Whiteley if you are able to help us treat our children.

Everyone bring your 50p's on Fridays to join in the summer treats!



**Year 6 Standon Bowers Residential** - Please can I remind you that all money for the Standon Bowers Residential trip is due by Friday 11th April, thank you.

## Easter Holidays

We break up for the Easter holidays on Friday 11th April and we wish everyone a happy holiday!

School opens again on **Monday 28th April**, when we look forward to the start of our exciting and busy Summer Term.



## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2025

[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](http://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)



### BURGER KING

From Monday 7th - Sunday 20th April 2025, Kids Eat Free with every adult meal, via the app.

### BILLS

Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays, from Monday 7th - Friday 25th April 2025.

### FARMHOUSE INNS

2 kids eat FREE with one paying adult, Monday 7th - Friday 25th of April. Sign Up Required

### TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

### ZIZZI

Sunday 6th - Sunday 27th April 2025 kids eat free with every adult main. (excludes Saturdays)

### CAFE EIGHTY NINE @ THE RANGE

Kids eat free Sat 5th April - Mon 21st April 2025

### YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (monday - friday) during all school holidays, when dining with an adult

### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids eat for £1.

### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 every, with no adult spend.

### TRAVELodge & PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day

### WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### PREZZO

Kids receive a free, 3 course kids meal, everyday at Prezzo between 31st March - 27th April 2025

### COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April 2025

### PIZZA HUT

Kids eat free buffet from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April, until 3pm daily with a £10 spend

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays

### MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

### LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

### TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult!

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

### SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

### FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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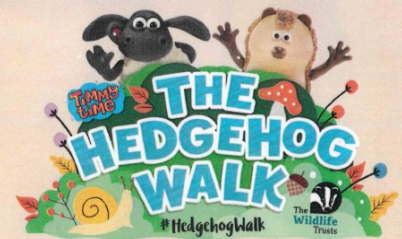
Please be reminded to keep up to date with your child's account balances on Arbor.

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.



## Sign up for



### The fundraising challenge for little explorers!

Walk 3km (the same distance a hedgehog can walk in one night) and raise money for wildlife!

## 31st March - 13th April 2025

[wildlifetrusts.org/hedgehog-walk](http://wildlifetrusts.org/hedgehog-walk)



Cheadle

# TRY IT! SPORTS & ACTIVITY FAIR

**FREE  
EVENT**

Come along, look around,  
have a go, and see what's  
on offer in your area.

Cheadle Leisure Centre

Saturday May 3rd

12-4pm

MyActive



# TALKING TEENS

## FREE SESSIONS STARTING MARCH 2025

Free 6 week course  
delivered online for  
parents of teenagers  
aged 13-18 years.

The course covers

- All about you
- Parenting Styles
- Understanding Behaviour
- Setting clear and appropriate boundaries
- Healthy Families



Online Sessions start  
March 26th 2025  
at 12.30pm - 2.30pm

To book your place please email  
[groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk)



## Attendance

Coming to school every day and on time, means that we can learn lots of new and exciting things!

School attendance and lateness is closely monitored to ensure that children have the best opportunity to learn.

Attendance to week ending 4th April 2025:

Reception/Year 1 - 96.77%

Years 2 & 3 - 96.48%

Year 4 - 97.19%

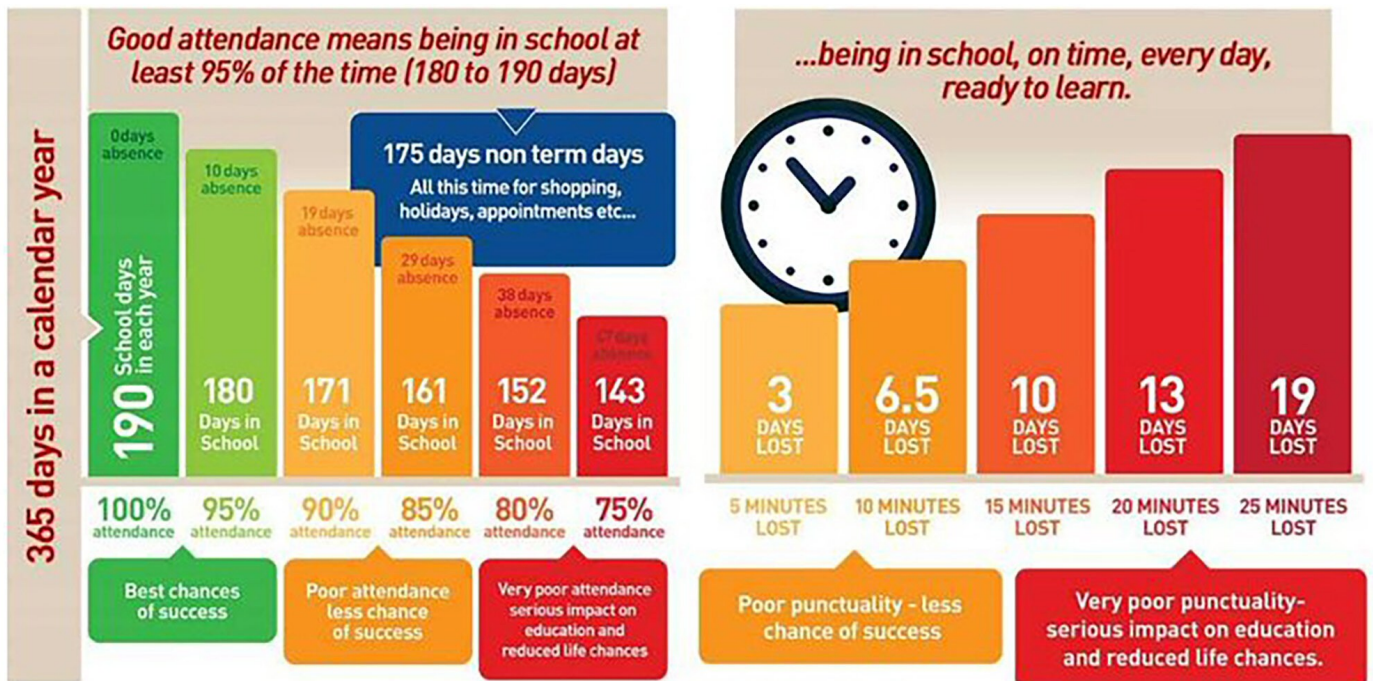
Years 5 & 6 - 95.39%

**School attendance for the week: 94.47%**

Each week, Woody our attendance bear, gets to spend the week with the class who has had the best attendance. I wonder where Woody will be next week!

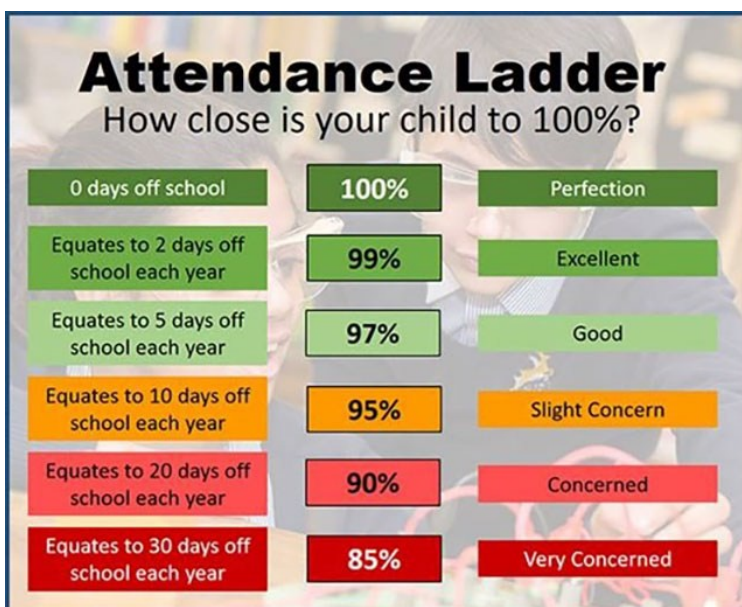
Individual child attendance can be found on their Arbor profile.

Please may we remind you that our school day begins at 8.45am when the doors open to children. They remain open until 9.00am. Children should arrive at school between these times, to ensure that they are marked present and do not incur 'late' marks. Lateness is recorded on children's attendance and it is important that they are on time.



**DID YOU KNOW?** A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is **94.7%**

**DID YOU KNOW?** If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed a full 2 weeks of school in one year?





JOIN US TO CELEBRATE EASTER  
**MULTI SPORTS  
HOLIDAY CLUBS**

**BISHOP RAWLE PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHEADLE**

Come and join us for some sports, games and activities from **April 24-25**. Our action-packed program gives children the chance to remain active, develop skills and make new friends within a safe and secure program.

**MULTI-SPORTS** · ASSAULT COURSE · INFLATABLES  
**BRING-A-BIKE** · CIRCUS SKILLS · COMBAT SPORTS  
**TEAM-BUILDING** · BUG CLUB · EASTER EGG HUNT  
**WOW SPORTS** · FRISBEE GOLF · SCOOT SKILLS

**HALF DAY 09:00-13:00 £12.50**



We value the importance of accommodating children who have come to us from different backgrounds. We aim to provide an environment where everyone is challenged and given an enjoyable experience.

READ OUR REVIEWS ★★★★★

**FREE PLACES** **HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD** Children eligible for free school meals can access up to two half days. Includes a healthy meal and drink.

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JOIN US TO CELEBRATE EASTER  
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**THE FABER CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY**

Come and join us on **April 24-25** as we combine the worlds of music and sport to create a memorable experience. Our action-packed program will give children an opportunity to learn about a diverse range of musical genres alongside participating in a unique range of sports.

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**RHYTHM WORKS**

An introduction to percussion and drumming, alongside rhythms and sounds from all over the world, whilst accompanied by some of your most popular songs.



**DRAMA**

An insight into singing, choreography and the staging of different types of performances through using musical theatre to construct mini performances and Pop to create music videos.



**CHOIR**

Learn songs and use harmonies to explore other melodies in your favourite songs. Investigates different styles of music, from Sea Shanties to Stage Shows, giving children exposure to new music.

**FULL DAY 09:00-15:30 £25.00**

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