



Welcome to our Summer 1 Newsletter

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Wishing our Woodside Families a lovely Summer Break!

Children Return to School Tuesday 2nd September



Woodside's New Instagram Page!



Instagram

Woodside is now on Instagram! 🍦 Follow our page to stay up to date with all the latest school activities and get a behind-the-scenes look at what goes on every day.

Please click on this link to follow

https://www.instagram.com/woodsideprimary?igsh=MXh0OXI1ZTF6a3QweA==&utm_source=ig_contact_invite

Don't forget to like our *current* Facebook page too — if you're not following us, you're definitely missing out!

[Woodside Primary Academy, Walthamstow | Facebook](#)

Summer Fair 2025!

What a spectacular day we had at this year's Woodside Summer Fair! The playground was buzzing with excitement as families, friends, and staff came together to celebrate. From the moment our incredible stilt walker greeted guests at the gate to the jaw-dropping magic tricks that left everyone in awe, the fair was packed with fun and wonder. Children enjoyed a wide range of activities, games, and treats—there truly was something for everyone. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the day so special!



Our Young Entrepreneurs

Our brilliant Woodside children wowed us all with their creativity and confidence as they pitched their business ideas to the Headteacher and brought them to life at the Summer Fair! With 18 fantastic stalls run entirely by our young entrepreneurs, the event was a huge success. From handmade crafts to delicious treats, each stall showcased incredible effort, teamwork, and imagination. A huge congratulations to all our stallholders—you should be so proud of your hard work and entrepreneurial spirit! Take a look at some of our amazing young business stars in action below!





Sports Day 2025 was a fantastic celebration of energy, teamwork, and fun! From our little stars in Nursery and Reception to our Year 1-6 champions at Peter May Sports Centre, every child gave it their all. A huge thank you to all the parents who came along to cheer and support—your encouragement made the day even more special!

Nursery Sports Day



Reception



Peter May Year 1 – Year 6



West African Drumming

In Week 3 of this half term, Woodside's West African drumming ensemble took part in an inspiring workshop with master drummer Seneke Sillah from Gambia. They learned complex, infectious rhythms in preparation for a performance at St Saviour's Church in Walthamstow. This was in collaboration with Mbilla Arts and Waltham Forest Music Hub. Although the children started off a little in awe, they quickly relaxed, enjoyed the session, and appreciated Seneke's positivity—some even asked for his autograph! Seneke was equally impressed, praising their musical ability, respectful attitude, and eagerness to learn.



Late in the summer term, our West African drumming ensemble performed alongside pupils from other Waltham Forest schools at St Saviour's Church in Walthamstow. They played with talented musicians from Mbilla Arts, led by master drummer Seneke Sillah on the djembe, and enjoyed the rich sounds of instruments like the balafon. A vibrant dancer even got the audience on their feet! Our group performed brilliantly and represented the school with pride.



FAREWELL TO OUR AMAZING YEAR 6

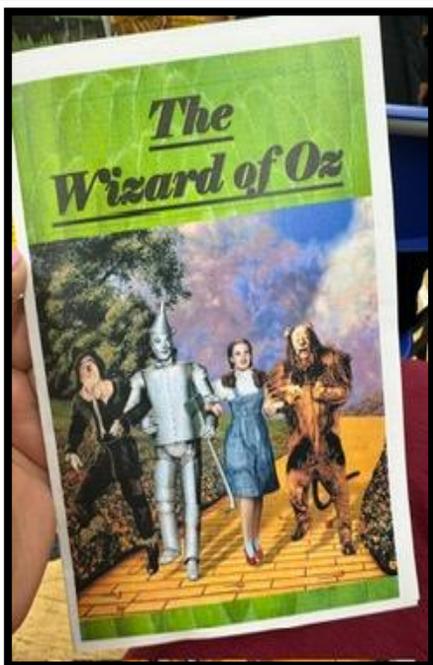


As the school year comes to a close, we say a fond farewell to our amazing Year 6 children. They've ended their time at Woodside with a real bang—wowing us all with their spectacular production of *The Wizard of Oz*, dancing the night away at their school disco, and sharing memories and laughter during their emotional leavers' assembly.

We are so proud of everything they've achieved this year, especially their hard work and determination during SATs. Their final term has been filled with fun, friendship, and unforgettable moments. We'll miss their energy, kindness, and leadership around the school, but we know they're ready to take on the exciting adventures that await them in their new schools.

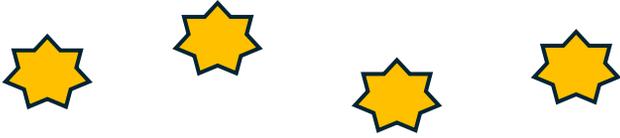
✨ Wishing each and every one of you the very best for the future—keep shining bright, Year 6!

Check out some of our highlights of their end of term events!





Individual Achievement



Abir in year 5 has done extremely well and achieved her gold medal in 200metres swimming.

Well Done, Abir!!



Food Bank

Our food bank will not be running through the holidays and will be back at the start of the new term.

Good News PL84U Food Bank is running again straight across Bridge site, at The Boys Scout. Parents would need to bring with them their council tax letter as proof of address, as this will help to register them at the food bank.



Charity No. 1168215

SERVING HUMANITY ONE PL8 AT A TIME

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#NotJustAFoodBank

TUESDAY - 12pm - 2pm

WEDNESDAY - 12pm - 2pm

14th Walthamstow Scouts Hut
205a Wood St, London E17 3NU

Only Proof of address Accepted: Council Tax letter

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YOUR LOCAL CREATIVE YOUTH HUB

Join us for open sessions at our safe space for young people in Waltham Forest.

- Explore our weekly offerings at the creative youth hub.
- Meet our dedicated team and inspiring creative industry professionals.
- Come and have your say.

Every
Thursday
4pm - 7pm

Ages 14+

Activities include

- Podcasting Sessions
- Music Production & DJ'ing
- Board Games, Arts & Craft
- PlayStation Gaming & VR
- Cooking Sessions
- Food & Refreshments
- Mentoring & Support

Sidmouth House
25 Sidmouth Road
London
E10 5QZ



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Every
Tuesday
3:30 - 5:30

Ages 11+

Activities include

- Podcasting Sessions
- PlayStation Gaming & VR
- Print & Design Clothing
- Board Games, Arts & Crafts
- Day Trips Away
- Food & Refreshments
- Mentoring & Support

Wood Street Library

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Square, Wood St,
London E17 3HB



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CR8TV CRIB

"Unlock Your Potential"

Level Up Your Future.

Join CR8TV CRIB workshops for
networking and employment advice.

Ages 16-25. Limited spots available.



Every
Wednesday
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Activities include

- Music Production / DJing
- Podcast Sessions
- PlayStation Gaming & VR
- Boxing & Self Defence
- Board Games, Arts & Crafts
- Personal Development
- Food & Refreshments

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Walthamstow
London E17 3NT



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**FREE ACTIVITIES
THIS SUMMER**
FOR 5 TO 11 YEAR OLDS

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FOR FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE
TO ENJOY DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS
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All sessions are led by Waltham Forest Play Workers, with specialist workshops provided by professionals from a variety of local organisations.

Children aged 5 – 7 must be accompanied by an adult throughout the sessions.

Children aged 8 – 11 may attend the session independently, however a parent, guardian or carer must attend the first session to complete the relevant paperwork.

Family sessions are limited to 60 children per session and will be offered on a first-come first-served basis.
(Children must live or go to school in the London Borough of Waltham Forest).

TO FIND
OUT MORE
SCAN HERE:
QR CODE



OR VISIT
[WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/
HOLIDAYS](http://WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS)



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THE
TOGETHER SPACE

SEND STAY AND PLAY FAMILY SESSIONS

JOIN US FOR OUR SEND ONLY STAY AND
PLAY FAMILY SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN
AGED 5-11 WHO LIVE OR GO TO SCHOOL IN
LONDON BOROUGH OF
WALTHAM FOREST.

Sessions will provide a more
relaxed and quieter space.
Activities will be tailored
to support the needs of
children with additional
needs and their families.

A parent and carer will be
required to stay with their
child during the session.
Siblings are welcome to
join but will also need to
be booked.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- PERFORMING PETS
- MRS BUBBLES
- SLIME & BATH BOMB MAKING
- MULTI SPORTS

AND MUCH MORE

SEND STAY AND PLAY
SESSIONS WILL BE HELD
AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

WEDNESDAY 30 JULY 2PM - 4.30PM
GNOME HOUSE, E17

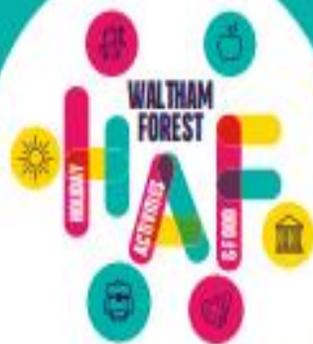
WEDNESDAY 6 AUGUST 2PM - 4.30PM
GNOME HOUSE, E17

TUESDAY 12 AUGUST 1.30PM - 4PM
HENRY MAYNARD, E17

TUESDAY 19 AUGUST 1.30PM - 4PM
HENRY MAYNARD, E17



Booking is essential
as places are limited.
Scan the QR code or
visit bit.ly/3labhN0
to book your place.



WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

SUMMER 2025

28 JULY - 22 AUGUST

ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16
AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT
RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

This summer we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:



or visit

WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

Booking is essential on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:

WFHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK



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Story Garden

Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2025
DELIVERED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LIBRARIES



The Summer Reading Challenge provides an amazing way to boost children's confidence and self-esteem as well as better prepare them to return to school in the autumn.



Join the fun and fire up your imagination!



Come along to some fun and free creative activities!



Sign up and collect your rewards along the way and a special certificate and medal for finishing.



Waltham Forest Libraries Eventbrite



The Reading Agency

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