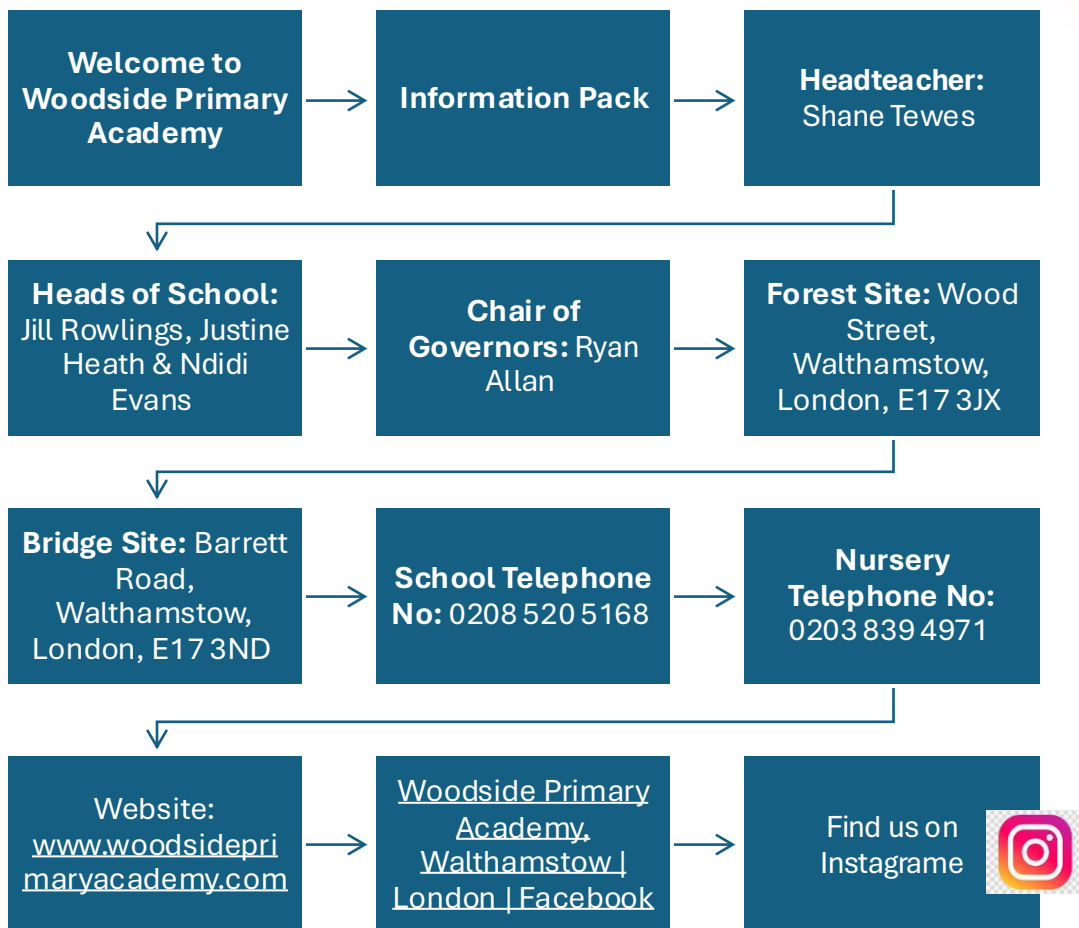


# Welcome to Woodside Primary Academy

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# A Welcome Message from the Headteacher, Shane Tewes

## Welcome to Woodside Primary Academy!

Our priority is the well-being and progress of every child. We have created an atmosphere of trust, happiness, and achievement to ensure your child feels cared for and supported. Ofsted has graded us as Outstanding in all areas of education (July 2023).

## Exceptional Enrichment Opportunities

Since our **Ofsted Inspection (2023)**, we have enhanced the range of engaging opportunities available to all pupils. We offer a variety of afterschool clubs, including Spanish, Origami, Multi-sports, Dance, Drumming, Music Technology, and more. Each term, children can participate in a club of their choice. We also partner with external clubs like Karate, All About Dance, and WO Sports to offer extracurricular activities at affordable rates.

## Pupil Leadership

We support children in becoming enthusiastic learners, ambitious dreamers, and responsible members of society. Our **'Seven Life Values:'** **Respect, Responsibility, Independence, Kindness, Confidence, Honesty, and Determination** - are essential for their success. We have also adopted Stephen Covey's **'7 Habits of Highly Effective People (Leader In ME);'** helping pupils further prepare for the next stage in their learning and later life too!

Our dedicated staff create stimulating learning environments, encouraging pupils to become active participants in their learning journey. Our classrooms foster creativity and independent learning, ensuring our curriculum offer resonates, and children build a holistic understanding of the world.

## Unique Features

- **Building pupils for the future** – through our school's Life values and 7 Habits (LIM)
- **Sustainability Focus – Reuse, Reduce, Recycle – Creating habits for life!**
- **11B411** – Eleven memorable experiences that children will take part in over their time with us. This is an Academy drive to further enrich the lives of all pupils
- **Our after-school Enrichment clubs** - provide invaluable extracurricular opportunities for all pupils.

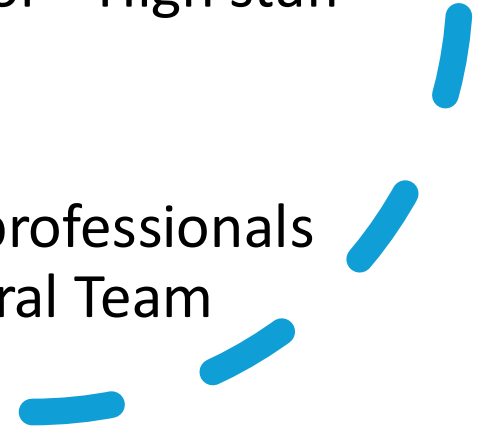
Best wishes,  
Shane Tewes





# Key School Information

- Part of 60+ schools within the REAch2 Academy Trust
- 95% of REAch2 schools are graded either good or outstanding – up until September 2025
- Each school within the trust designs their curriculum based on its local context - in line with the EYFS for children under 5 and the national curriculum (5–11-year-olds)
- Woodside has been graded twice outstanding - 2016 and 2023
- School structure (See website)
- Experienced teachers across the school – High staff retention
- Team of specialist teachers
- Support staff made up of early years professionals Learning Support Assistants & a Pastoral Team



# Key School Information School Sites



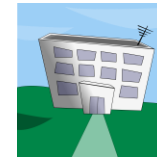
## Two main sites

Forest site - Houses:



- Nursery (Babies (6 months – 2-year-olds), 2-3-year-olds & 3-4-year-olds);
- Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Classes

Bridge Site - Houses:



- Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Classes

## School Layout

- Nursery and Reception classrooms are zoned round outside play areas
- Years 1-6 are zoned around a hall or a communal area



## Key School Information - Timings

### School Sessions

- **Day Care** - 8 am - 5.55 pm (For children aged 6 months to 4 years - open 48 weeks of the year (Free 15 & 30 Hours Available))
- **Sessional Nursery** - 8.30 am – 11.30 am & 12.30 pm - 3.30 pm (Free 15 & 30 Hours Available)
- **Reception, Y1, Y2 & Y3** – 8.45 - 3.30 pm; **Fri** - 2.15 pm Finish
- **Years: Y4, Y5 & Y6**, 9.00 am – 3.45 pm; **Fri** - 2.30 pm Finish
- **Extended Services (YR-Y6)**– Breakfast Club: 7.30 am – Teatime Club\_: 5.55 pm

## Safeguarding

Woodside Primary Academy is committed to safeguarding all pupils in its care. We follow Government legislation and Local Authority guidance when addressing matters relating to child protection.

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All staff in the school are trained; both sites have designated members of staff to deal with child protection issues, should they arise. Woodside takes very seriously our duty towards all pupils who have been entrusted to our care and seeks to provide a school environment where all children are safe, secure, valued, respected and listened to.

## Attendance/Punctuality

The Attendance Team monitor the attendance of all pupils in line with statutory requirements.

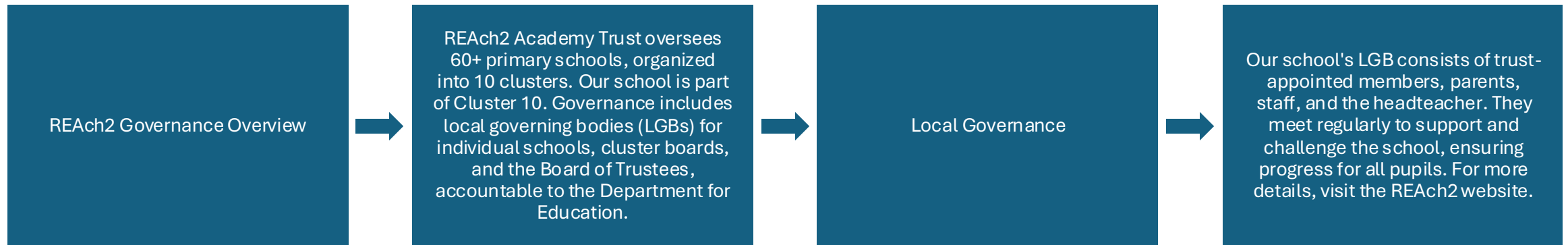
## Extended leave of absence during term time

The governors have adopted the borough policy for attendance.

The school does not authorise any term time absences.



# Governance



## Woodside Parent School Association Team (WPSA)

This group supports the school's vision of becoming the hub of our local community. This will strengthen the school's partnership with our parents and carers, develop fundraising avenues to supplement curriculum experiences for pupils, support the school drive for sustainable projects e.g. our food bank and reusable uniform drive and support local and international charities.

If you wish to join this group, please contact the school once your child starts.

# Headlines – school data 2025

- **YEAR 6 - SATS** results showed that Woodside children were above the national averages in Reading, Writing, Maths, Grammar and combined (RWM)
- **Year 4 - Multiplication** results showed that nearly 50% of the children scored 25 out of 25.
- **Year 1** - Phonics results were above the national averages
- **Reception Year - Good level of Development** was above the national average.
- All results for the school can be found on the school website. Tests (as listed above) and assessments carried-out in school are required in all State & Academy schools across England.



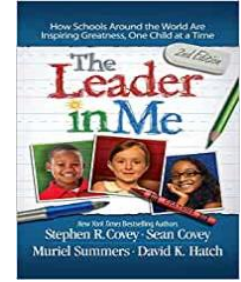


# Woodside Culture & Philosophy - Developing the Whole Child!

## Woodside 7 Life Values aim to build:

- Confidence
- Kindness
- Independence
- Determination
- Responsibility
- Honesty
- Respect

**Leader In Me – 7 Habits** are taught to encourage and support the school community to and develop long lifetime skills and habits:



Be	Habit 1: Be Proactive
Begin	Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind
Put	Habit 3: Put First Things First
Think	Habit 4: Think Win/Win. ...
Seek	Habit 5: Seek First to Understand ...Then to Be Understood
Synergize	Habit 6: Synergize
Sharpen	Habit 6: Sharpen the Saw

# 11 before 11



## What is 11 Before 11?

11B411 is 11 lifetime experiences that we want all the children to have by the time they leave primary school. It gives the children a chance to enjoy different experiences which they may have never tried before.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jiwQM5QlrhQ> – Reach2 11 Before 11 Video
- Life is an adventure – and school should be one, too!
- 11 Before 11 takes our children beyond the usual, to explore new opportunities and inspire them to be the heroes of their own adventure. We are incredibly proud of 11B411.
- We know the impact that it has had so far and will continue to invest in delivering on our promises, so that *every* child's school experience is exceptional and memorable for all the right reasons.



11B411  
Link

# Healthy Lifestyle Habits



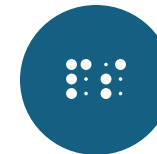
Bring Water to School initiative (reusable bottles recommended)



Healthy Meals - prepared by the school's own catering team



Mindfulness Behaviour Programme



'Bite Sized' - homework programme - daily reading, spelling, times tables - termly project



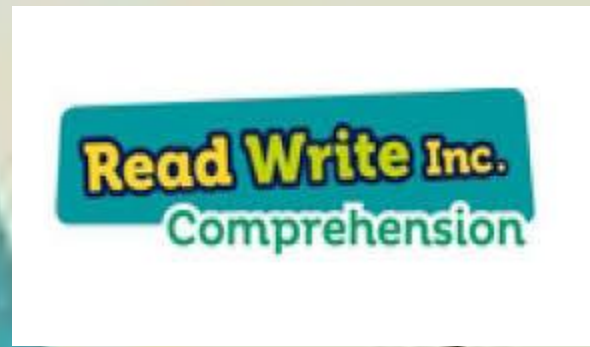
5-A-Day - 5 minutes of additional exercise over the day (brain breaks)



School Streets Initiative - encouraging pupils to walk to school & reduce carbon emissions

# Our Curriculum INTENT

At Woodside Primary Academy, we **celebrate** the rich **social** and **cultural diversity** of our **community**, using it as a **foundation for our curriculum**. We aim to support pupils' **spiritual, moral, and cultural development** while **recognising the uniqueness of every child**.



Woodside Reading Programme  
Y3 to Y6





# Our Curriculum

Woodside Primary Academy Curriculum Overview

## ...Curriculum Intent

We adapt our learning journey to meet the needs and interests of our pupils, ensuring they are well-equipped for future educational stages. We teach the fundamental skills, knowledge, concepts, and values through well-sequenced lessons, providing enrichment opportunities to celebrate individual talents and foster lifelong learning.

## Curriculum Implementation

We teach skills and knowledge across subjects to give children a broad understanding. Our curriculum embeds transferable skills without compromising essential learning. We value feedback as a crucial part of the teaching cycle, aiming to stimulate higher-order thinking through quality classroom environments.

## Curriculum Impact

Lessons are planned with clear objectives based on detailed knowledge of each child. Day-to-day teacher assessments provide instant feedback, ensuring progress and challenge. Regular term assessments track individual progress, with interventions for those needing extra support in English or Maths.

At Woodside, children develop confidence, independence, critical thinking, global citizenship, responsibility, and an appreciation for diversity.

# Enhancing the Wider Curriculum & Community Events

- Specialists – P.E, Dance/Drama, Music & Art Therapist
- State of the art kitchen facilities (Bridge Site)
- Science Lab (Bridge Site)
- Trampoline (Bridge Site)
- Muga pitch for sports (Both Sites)
- Swimming (Y3)
- Trips & experiences - half termly

**Community: Fireworks, Christmas Market,  
Summer Fair (annually)**





## After-School Enrichment clubs

At our school, we offer a variety of free after-school enrichment clubs each term, allowing students to explore new interests and develop skills outside the classroom. Each term, children can choose from a range of exciting clubs, including 9 (dependent on year group):

### Yoga & Mindfulness Club

- Multi-skills
- Fashion Club
- Ball games
- Vlogging
- Music technology
- Arts and crafts
- Digital Art & Photography
- West African Drumming club
- And much more!

In addition to our free clubs, we have partnered with external companies to provide additional clubs at affordable rates. These include:

- Football
- All About Dance
- The Creation Station

These clubs are designed to enrich your child's learning experience, foster creativity, and encourage physical activity. We believe in providing opportunities for every child to discover their passions and talents.

During the school day - Private music lessons & Rock Steady!



## **Wrap Around Care: Out of Hours Care - Extended Services**

We appreciate that some of our parents work hours that are not always suited to the traditional school day. We also know how hard it is to organise childcare around work commitments. At Woodside we offer a high quality, comprehensive wrap-around care at both school sites.

### **Breakfast Club**

We cater for Reception aged children through to Year 6. It starts at 7.30 am (we offer early start for an additional fee), and we ensure that your child is in the right place at the right time for the start of their school day so that you do not have to worry. A balanced breakfast of cereals, toast and fruit juices is provided daily. During the session we also offer activities that help prepare your child for their day, which include story telling activities, reading and games. Of course, children can choose, and are indeed encouraged to socialize during breakfast time, developing their social skills and interactions with their peers in a calm environment.

### **Teatime Club**

The children are split into two age groups, Reception to Year 3 at Forest site and Year 4 to Year 6 at Bridge site; we do this because we know that activities offered to our children not only need to be tailored to their interests and abilities, but also to their age range. We offer a variety of engaging physical and social activities during this session. We also offer support with your child's homework, thus taking the pressure off you, so that when you do get home with your child you can focus on spending quality time together. The club offers a balanced food menu that compliments both breakfast and lunch menus.

When your child starts at Reception you will be given a form to complete should you require breakfast or teatime club, additionally you can email [extendedservices@woodside-academy.org](mailto:extendedservices@woodside-academy.org).

At Woodside Primary Academy we further support our working parents by offering holiday clubs for 5 of the holiday periods. These are run by members of the Woodside Team.

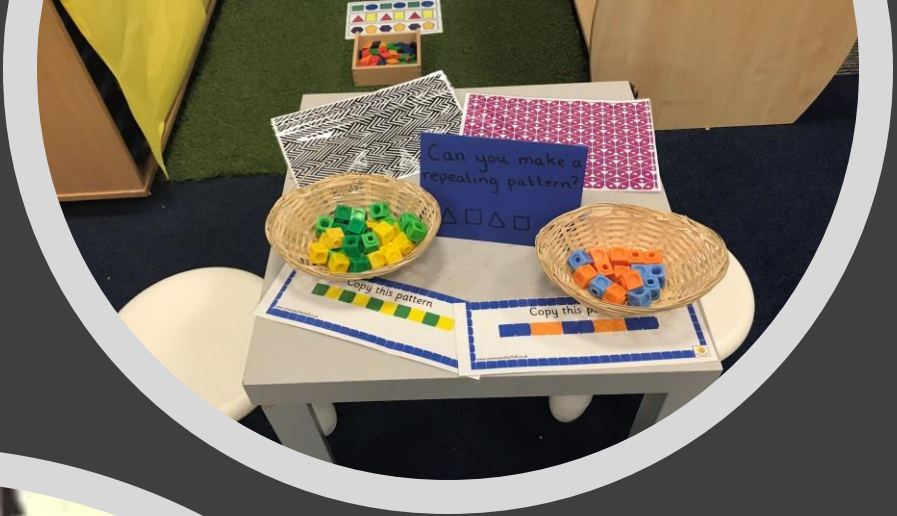
# Starting in Reception

## Our Early Years Philosophy

Studies show that young children learn best when they are engaged in play, encouraged to explore, guided through purposeful teaching, and supported in building on what they already know and can do.

We support children's learning by starting with hands-on experiences, then using pictures to deepen understanding, and finally introducing more abstract ideas—making sure they feel confident and ready for the next step in their learning journey.





Independent learning, adult-directed, in-the-moment teaching and focused adult-led teaching

# Starting in Reception





# Become a Woodsider!



- **Strong Academic Results**
- **Cultural Enrichment** – Woodside 7 Life Values & 7 Habits (Leader In Me – Stephen Covey)
- **11B411** – REAch2 initiative made up of eleven opportunities children should experiences before 11 years of age!
- **Educational Experiences** - Trips and workshops to enrich & deepen pupils academic learning
- **A term of Enrichment - Free Clubs** (Creative and vocational experiences led by our teaching team & support staff)
- **Private Music lessons** (additional cost)
- **External Club Provides** - run on site after school (additional cost)
- **Parent Partnerships & Parent Workshops**
- **Toy library** - stay & Play for under 5s, once a week (Autumn 2 onwards)
- **Wrap Around Care** - Parent Support 7.30 am start - 5.55 pm finish
- **Parent Association** – Food Bank & Uniform Bank; Book & Toy Swap (sch/parent) initiatives. Fundraising initiatives.
- **Community Events** - Fireworks, Christmas Market, Summer Festival

**Striving to be more sustainable** – We have an accredited Climate Wise Ambassador

# Useful links to our website tabs



Woodside Admissions Information



About Us



Curriculum Information



Uniform Information



Applying for a Nursery Place



Deadline for Reception applications:

**15th January 2026**



**VIDEO – OF OUR BRIDGE SITE**

