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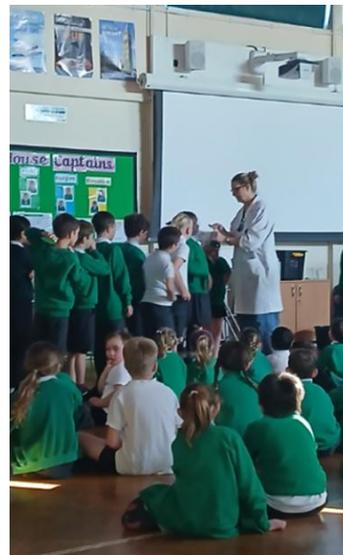
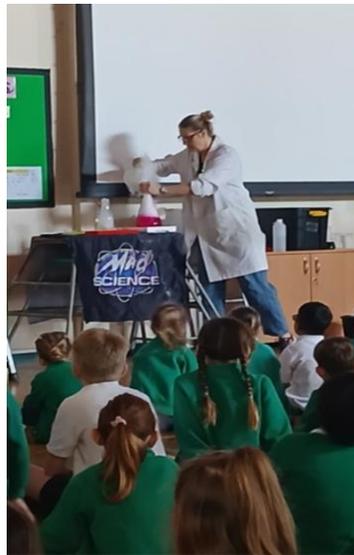
Friday, 20th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Our newsletter starts with some very sad news this week, Mrs Jackelman will be leaving us at Easter. Mrs Jackelman has worked so hard over the years for Sauncey Wood and her smiling face will be missed by everyone who comes into the office. I am sure you will all join me in thanking her for all her hard work and wish her the very best for the future.

This week, we have been celebrating Science Week and I would like to thank Mrs Belizaire who organised all of the activities and has provided the following write up:-

During Science Week 2026, we were delighted to welcome "Atomic Aimee" from Mad Science, who delivered a spectacular and engaging science assembly. Her presentation sparked curiosity and inspired our pupils to explore the wonders of science by asking thoughtful questions and making predictions.



The children's behaviour was exemplary, and their enthusiasm was truly electric. Atomic Aimee described it as a 'joy' to share science in action at Sauncey Wood Primary School.



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Science Workshops

The excitement continued beyond the assembly, with pupils across the school taking part in hands-on workshops. Using recycled materials, the children designed and built their own rockets while learning about friction - particularly air resistance - and how reducing it can be important in areas such as vehicle design.





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There was a wonderful buzz around the school, and it was a pleasure to see pupils working collaboratively and creatively. Once completed, the rockets were launched on the school field, with great excitement as pupils observed which designs travelled the farthest.





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Science Week 2026 was a fantastic opportunity to inspire curiosity, creativity, and a love of learning across the school and its fantastic success is due to the enthusiasm and collaboration of our children, parents, and staff - thank you!

Our School Council made £93.70 for Comic Relief when they ran the tuck shop after school this week. We will add this to our total raised today and donate it on behalf of all of the children at the school. Well done to all involved and thank you for coming to support their efforts.



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On Tuesday, Year 3 visited the Natural History Museum. They learnt lots about the classification of animals and the different types of animals we see across Great Britain.

Willow class visited the Fire Station on Monday, they learnt about how the fire fighters respond to an emergency and learnt lots of tips on how to keep safe.

Finally, well done to Donaldson House for obtaining the most house points over this term, their house captains will choose their reward for next week.

Have a wonderful weekend all and please remember that our Governors' Award assembly is on Thursday morning and we have an early finish after lunch on Friday.

Yours sincerely



Mr Brewis
Headteacher



We have a school Amazon wish list [Sauncey Wood Amazon Wishlist](#) and we would be most grateful if you are able to purchase something from the list for the school - this gift would be most appreciated.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LET THE SCHOOL OFFICE KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY CHANGES TO YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS SO THAT WE HAVE THE CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR AN EMERGENCY. (INCLUDING YOUR SECOND CONTACTS)



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Dates for the Diary	
Monday, 23 rd March	Year 5 - Greek Vase Workshop in school
w/c beginning 23 rd March	Extra Curricular Clubs finish
Tuesday, 24 th March	Spring Music Festival
Wednesday, 25 th March	Netball Match against Markyate (Away)
Thursday, 26 th March	Football Match against St Nicholas (Home)
Thursday, 26 th March	Governor Awards Assembly at 9.00 a.m.
Friday, 27 th March	Finish for the Easter break at 1.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 14 th April	Year 6 Visit to All Saints Church (a.m.)
Tuesday, 14 th April	Year 5 Visit to All Saints Church (p.m.)
Wednesday, 15 th April	Year 4 Visit to All Saints Church (p.m.)
Monday, 20 th April	Year 3 Visit to All Saints Church (a.m.)
Monday, 27 th April	Year 3 Visit to Cambridge Botanic Gardens
Tuesday, 5 th May	Year 5 Visit to Knebworth House
Tuesday, 5 th May	Information Meeting for Parents/Carers Isle of Wight Visit (time TBC)
Wednesday, 6 th May	Year 4 Visit to The Higgins Bedford
Friday, 15 th May	Year 6 Visit to Warner Bros Studio "Harry Potter"
Tuesday, 19 th May	Information Meeting for Parents/Carers Phasels Wood Visit (time TBC)



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Monday, 8 th June - Tuesday, 9 th June	Year 4 Overnight Residential at Phasels Wood
Tuesday, 9 th June	Year 2 Visit to the St Albans Islamic Centre
15 th June - 25 th June	Year 2 Swimming at Hatfield Swim Centre
Friday, 26 th June	INSET Day
Thursday, 16 th July	Year 6 End of Year Celebration at Roller City, Campus West

