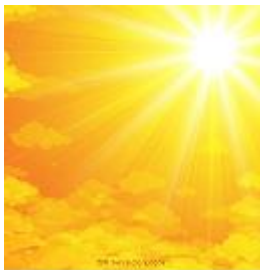




# Wood End School

Learning Together, Respecting Each Other

News 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022



## Heatwave

As the temperature rises next week a reminder that we will be having indoor play and children should come with a hat, suncream and plenty of water. Children can also wear appropriate footwear including sandals and no socks but **not** flip flops or crocs. School shoes are not required. We will ventilate the classrooms as much as possible.



## Speech Cup

Key Stage 2 enjoyed listening to some very entertaining speeches on Wednesday as the nine class finalists took part in the annual Wood End Speech Cup competition.

Mr Stevens, one of our esteemed Governors, joined Mr Boulton in the difficult task of judging the winners. As ever it was very close, but after careful consideration they awarded the lower key stage 2 prize to Scarlett in Maple class, and the upper key stage 2 prize to Lucy in Willow class. Well done to all the finalists!



## Year 6 – Summer Performance



Well done to Year 6 who were sensational in their end of year production of 'Alice in Musicland'. As a year group they have worked so well in rehearsals and it was lovely to end with a great ensemble production showing their many talents as they sung, danced and acted their way

through the hour and a quarter long show! The Year 6 team and myself thoroughly enjoyed working with them. Thank you to all those parents and family members who came and watched, and for the wonderful reception you gave the children - laughing and clapping in all the right places!!! We wish them the very best of luck in the future. Wood End will miss them.

## Thank you

A huge thank you to parents for your continued support of the school. We all really do appreciate it. Also to the staff, who work incredibly hard all year round giving the very best education possible to our children.

Finally it's been a great year – our first full year we have completed since Summer 2019!! I'm already looking forward to September, in the meantime I hope you all have a lovely summer.

Take care and stay safe. Mr Boulton



## House Cup Winners Brackendale Blue Congratulations!

Well done to Brackendale Blues who won the house cup for gaining the most house points throughout the year. The three house captains proudly received the trophy in assembly today.

## Schools Games Award – Gold!!

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme recognising the school's engagement in keeping children active.



**School finishes at 2pm Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>  
July**



## September 2022

A few quick things to mention:

- We have noticed a few children are persistently late and we shall be monitoring this carefully next term.
- Please ensure your children are in school by 8.50am at the latest. Classroom doors will open from 8.40.
- School shoes will be part of the school uniform once again from September and we expect all pupils to be wearing them.

**Term Dates List for 2022/23 will be emailed  
next week**

## Welcome Meetings

As part of our planning for the new Autumn term, we have set the dates for our year group welcome meetings. We look forward to seeing as many parents/carers as possible to share our expectations for the academic year regarding curriculum, achievement, homework and the school website. The meetings will take place in the relevant hall at 9am on the dates mentioned in the table.

Date	Year Group
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 6
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 5
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 4
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 3
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 2
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 1



## What a year it's been...

**Six events:** Festive Friday, School Disco, Movie Night, the Fun Run, Summer Fair and Quiz Night.

- **Fundraising events:** Mr Barker completed the London Marathon.
- **Multiple sales:** Christmas cards, Christmas trees, Christmas hampers, tea-towels, tote bags, second-hand uniform sales and Sports Day refreshments
- **Commissions:** easyfundraising, Your School Lottery, AmazonSmile and more
- **Non-uniform days:** Break the Rules and Christmas Jumper Day
- **Over £42,000 raised this school year!** Despite lockdown restrictions not being lifted until 2022.

## Thank you

Without our community of parents and local businesses we wouldn't be able to fund projects such as the **KS2 trim trail, KS1 climbing frame and train, KS2 activity wall, ping-pong tables, picnic area canopy, MUGA pitch, ICT suite PCs, iPads, classroom LED screens, equipment and books for infant and junior library, wet play and outdoor equipment, sports equipment for PE** and even the **Christmas tree** in the junior hall.

Every year each class also receives £300 enrichment fund from FoWE. Activities funded or subsidised this year include **the chick incubator** (nursery), **Ark Farm and Ashridge** (Reception), **Senses workshop and HOTP Fire of London** (Yr 1), **HOTP Florence and Toys** (Yr2), **Stone Age/Viking School and Verulamium** (Yr3), **Cathedral and HOTP Vikings** (Yr4), **Lee Valley** (Yr5) and **Mayan workshop** (Yr6).

## Continue to support us over the summer

If you weren't able to help yet this year, or if you have helped at every event and would like to continue to support Friends of Wood End here are...

### 3 Easy Ways to Support Your School

- 1) Sign up to **Your School Lottery**. This raises a huge amount for the school and requires very little effort. Tickets are £1 each.  
<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/wood-end-school>
- 2) Use **easyfundraising** to raise money when you shop (Amazon, Argos, ebay, John Lewis, M&S – most retailers support it). Sign up, select **Wood End PTA** and start shopping: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>  
Also available as an App so you don't forget to use it!  
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/>
- 3) Select us as your charity on **AmazonSmile**  
<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1055324-0>

## Save the date: first FoWE meeting 2022-2023: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Everyone is welcome, 7:45pm in the staff room.

Have a great summer!



Support Friends of Wood End each time you shop – sign up to [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.com)



Find out more: <https://www.woodend.herts.sch.uk/whats-on/about/news>



Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WoodEndPTA/>



Follow us on instagram: [@wood\\_end\\_school\\_pta](https://www.instagram.com/wood_end_school_pta)

### FoWE (Friends of Wood End School)

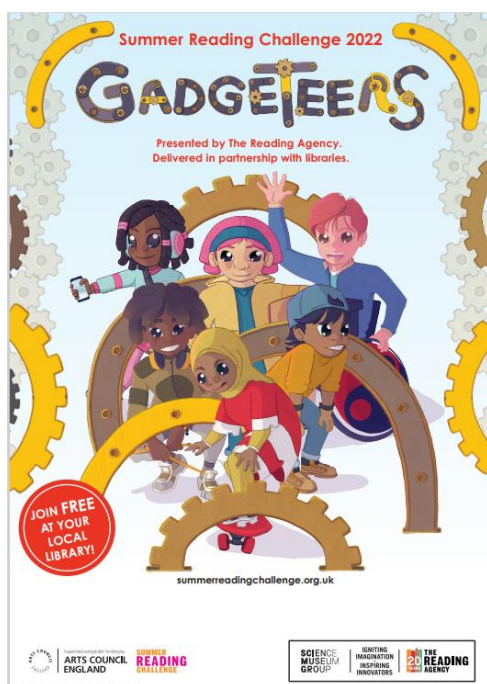
Charity name: Wood End School Parent Teacher Association

Charity number: 1055324

Email us: [fowe@woodend.herts.sch.uk](mailto:fowe@woodend.herts.sch.uk)

**Raise FREE donations** for us every time you shop online.

Over **4,000** shops and sites will donate!



## Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge in Hertfordshire Libraries starts this Saturday, the theme this year is 'Gadgeteers', administered by the Reading Agency. Last year over 13,000 Hertfordshire children took part in the challenge, so do not miss out!

There are stickers to collect along the way and children who complete the challenge by reading, sharing, or listening to 6 library books (eBooks and eAudiobooks from BorrowBox count too!) and chatting to library staff or volunteers about them will be rewarded with a medal, pencil and certificate. Children who complete the Challenge will be entered into a prize draw where they could win a ticket to an exclusive author event at Welwyn Garden City Central Library on Sunday 25 September.

The Summer Reading Challenge's aim is to encourage children to enjoy reading for pleasure and provides families with a fun, FREE activity for the long summer holidays. There is also a dedicated Summer Reading Challenge website [Summer Reading Challenge](https://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk) which has a great range of themed games and activities, as well as the opportunity to read about favourite authors and contribute book reviews.

'Gadgeteers' packs will be available in all Hertfordshire libraries, from Saturday 9 July until Saturday 3 September 2022, while stocks last!

If your child is not already a library member and would like to join you don't need to wait until the start of the challenge to register. You can visit the library in person, to fill out an application form in your child's name, or you can fill out the form online at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries) and then come into any library to obtain a library card. You will need to provide proof of your name and address (e.g. gas, electricity, phone bill, or council tax bill). For more information, please visit [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries](https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries), download the Hertfordshire Libraries App to find information about your local library or call us on 0300 123 4049.

**Lost Property will be on the picnic tables (under the canopy) next Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. All un-collected items will be given to the PTA or a Charity shop.**



# MONSTER FUN COMIC CREATION COMPETITION!

Hiya readers, We want YOU to submit your ideas for your favourite Monster Fun characters where your story could be turned into an actual comic strip in a future issue and WIN fantastic prizes!

Simply fill out the form below with your ideas for a story about myself or some of my friends, and ask a parent or guardian to submit a digital copy or photograph of just this form to [frankie.stein@monsterfun.co.uk](mailto:frankie.stein@monsterfun.co.uk) marked as "Comic Competition Entry".

ONE winning entry will see their story turned into a one page comic strip written by Ned Hartley (*Steel Commando, Spider-Man*) and drawn by Karl Dixon (*Kid Kong*), along with a Monster Fun prize bundle. NINE runners up will receive a Monster Fun prize bundle and a shout-out in a future issue.

So what are you waiting for? Pick up your pen and get creating! – Frankie

## Create a Comic Competition – Summer Reading Challenge

Monster Fun - Create A Comic Competition as part of the Summer Reading Challenge!

Monster Fun, the brand new Children's comic packed with laughter, mischief, and mayhem, wants children aged up to 16-years-old to submit your ideas for your favourite Monster Fun characters where your story COULD BE TURNED INTO AN ACTUAL COMIC STRIP IN A FUTURE ISSUE! Plus you'll WIN other fantastic prizes! Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> August.

## Holiday Clubs at Wood End School Summer 2022

Club	Dates	To Book/Contact
<b>Jousters</b>	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> and Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Jennie Denton Tel: 01707 894650 <a href="mailto:jennie@jousterschildcare.com">jennie@jousterschildcare.com</a> 8am – 6pm £30 a Day Rec to Yr6
	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> to Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	
	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> to Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	
	Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> to Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Aug	
<b>Multi-Sports Camp</b>	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Dean Barker <a href="mailto:summercamp2020@hotmail.com">summercamp2020@hotmail.com</a> See flier below for details
	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> to Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Aug	
<b>All Sport</b>	Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> to Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> July Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Paulo Mateus Tel: 07841 720800 <a href="mailto:allsportclub@hotmail.com">allsportclub@hotmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.all-sports-club.co.uk">www.all-sports-club.co.uk</a> <b>Come and join our fun, safe and energetic sports club.</b> <b>Try out a range of sports and games and some other fun activities!</b> <b>£22 9.30am to 3.30pm, or £26 9am to 4pm</b>

## External Clubs – September 2022 – [Link to School Website Page](#)

**After School Netball Club** - Year 3, 4 Tuesday 3.20pm – 4.20pm, Year 5 Thursday 3.20pm to 4.20pm

Please contact [kay@nextlevelnetball.co.uk](mailto:kay@nextlevelnetball.co.uk) for details.

**Kew Dance** - Forms for KS1 & KS2 Kew Dance on [the school website](#).

**Year 3 Recorder Club** - please enquire ASAP to Mrs Jenny Newman at [jennynewmanmusic@gmail.com](mailto:jennynewmanmusic@gmail.com)

**New After School Football Club – Finishing Touch Sports – Years 1 to 4** – Please email: [finishingtouchsports@gmail.com](mailto:finishingtouchsports@gmail.com)

A NEW CHILDRENS THEATRE SHOW

THE ERIC MORECAMBE CENTRE,  
HARPENDEN, AL5 2FR  
WED 17th August | 2pm  
Book tickets at [the-emc.co.uk](http://the-emc.co.uk)



*"Hello! I'm Brain" – Yes, Charlie's Brain..... Charlie Locke is a kind, funny and imaginative child who's ready to share her thoughts with the world. But sometimes, confidence escapes her, and her thoughts go on great adventures before, and if, they are heard. Join Charlie and Brain as they navigate through primary school life, friendships and the beauty of finding a voice. Come, see and hear Charlie's adventurous tale and the quest for confidence!*

---

*Award-winning production company, TSE Creative Productions and Solent University, bring forth a theatrical experience inspired by situations that children face as they grow through pre-adolescence and into the tween years.*

*A not to be missed, taller than tall tale. Suitable for children 5+*

**Wishing you all a lovely  
summer holiday!**