

# Weekly Newsletter

*Dream big, fly high*

## Water Safety

Following the extremely sad news of recent incidents in open water, it is more important than ever to raise awareness about staying safe and water safety.

This week, the children participated in a RNLI water safety assembly that focussed on 4 key messages for the children:



- Stop and think
- Stay together
- Float on your back
- Get help/call 999



The messages were shared in a story format with the children deciding the best course of action to take in different situations, including a kite landing in water and what to do when someone wants to get closer to look at animals in the water. It was great to see the number of children who felt confident they could float on their backs, if they ever fell into water unexpectedly. The assembly links to **Article 6 – Right to life, survival and development** and a vital lesson to teach the children about how to keep themselves and other safe. Please feel free to discuss these key messages with your child at home or any time you find yourself near water.

Next academic year will see the start of the older children accessing swimming as part of the Year 4 Physical Education (PE) curriculum. This will start in the Spring Term and more information will be provided to Year 4 nearer the time.



## Creativity and Well-Being Week – Art Workshop

This week, we welcomed artist Christine Burdin into school to work with the children, with each class contributing to wet-felt pieces linked to our school mission statement, House teams, and character traits. We look forward to sharing the finished pieces with you once they are displayed in school.

## PTA Summer Raffle

The PTA Summer Raffle is now live with over 40 prizes to be won, kindly donated by our wonderful local businesses. Please click on the link [Woodford Primary PTA](#) to purchase your tickets. The raffle will be drawn on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

## PSHE Parent Overviews

Our PSHE (personal, social, health education) Parent Overview documents are available on the [school website](#) to help you understand what your child will be learning in RSE (relationship and sex education) this term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

## Refugee Week

This week is Refugee Week, a time to learn about people who have had to leave their homes to find safety in another country. In school, we have been thinking about how everyone deserves to feel safe, valued and welcome. This links closely to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), which reminds us that all children, everywhere, have rights.

During the week, the children have explored important rights, including:

- **Article 22** – Children who are refugees should receive protection and support
- **Article 19** – Every child has the right to be safe
- **Article 28** – Every child has the right to an education
- **Article 2** – All children have the same rights, no matter where they come from



Through stories, discussions and activities, children have developed their understanding of kindness, empathy and inclusion. They have reflected on how we can make everyone feel like they belong, both in our school and in the wider community. We are proud of how our pupils continue to show respect, compassion and care for others.

## Sports Day



Sports Day will take place on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** (weather permitting) and will last approx. 1.5 hours. Family members are welcome to come along and support the children who will be competing in their House teams. Like last year, we will be holding a themed parents' relay race in House teams. It's all about having fun and getting involved – we cannot wait to cheer you on!

The Treasury Department of our Pupil Parliament is proud to be campaigning to support access to clean water for children around the world. This year on Sports Day, we will be running a fruity water station where parents and carers are invited to refill their water bottles. This is a great opportunity to stay refreshed while supporting an important cause. We would warmly encourage donations to [WaterAid](#), an organisation dedicated to providing clean water, decent toilets, and good hygiene to communities in need.



## Important Dates

19 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Father's Day event
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 1 Christ Church visit
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 LEGOLAND Discovery Centre visit
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Sports Day – weather permitting (whole school)
10 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA Summer Fair



For a full summary of 2025/26 calendar dates, our [Annual Planner](#) can be viewed [here](#).



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness