



# Waulud Primary School - Newsletter 1 Spring Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic month we have had, it has been extremely busy with many trips and visitors enhancing our learning for all our pupils.

**SAFETY NOTICE:** Please drive & park carefully. If you are dropping children off at our breakfast club, you must park inside one of the parking bays. Please do not drive up to the gates or anywhere along the side of our school kitchen. We will be monitoring carefully and if this is not adhered to we may have to ask parents to park at the Little Woodcroft, outside the premises.

## Staffing update:

- Mr Fazal is no longer working at Waulud Primary School.
- Miss Nartisa has been appointed as our new site agent – We wish her well in her new role.
- Mrs Pjetri is joining our lovely team of cleaners.

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January we celebrated Chinese New Year with a fabulous feast. The children enjoyed a tasty lunch and many of them mastered the use of chopsticks. Huge thanks to our wonderful catering team.

The academic calendar for Waulud Primary 2025/26 can now be found on our school website. Please ensure you check this before booking any holidays or special events.

Kind regards - Mrs Devereux



## Up and Coming Events

Year	Date	Event
1	03.02.25	Religions Week – Holy Cross Church (Local Trip)
6	04.02.25	Religions Week – Luton Central Mosque (Local Trip)
5	05.02.25	Religions Week – Gurdwara (Local Trip)
4	06.02.25	Religions Week – Mandir (Local Trip)
5&6 Choir	10.02.25	Young Voices – Wembley Arena
6	24.02.25	Milton Keynes Museum
3	26.02.25	Harry Potter Studios

*For more information please refer to our website – Thank you*





## Trip highlights from January

### Year 2 Local Walk



Children went on an adventure around the local walk as part of their Geography topic. Children used a map and gathered data about the local area, learning about different places of interest.



### Year 5 - Bikeability



A number of pupils in Year 5 had the chance to expand and improve on their riding skills this month with Bikeability, including how to ride safely on the roads.

Well done to everyone that has taken part.



### Year 1 STEM – Children enjoyed star gazing & launching rockets as part of their science topic.





## WHATS HAPPENING IN THE FAMILY ROOM?



All Parents/Carers  
welcome

### TUESDAY MORNINGS STAY & PLAY

Drop in between 8.30am - 10.00am

This group is for children age 0-4 years. Come along and play with your child and meet other Parents/Carers in a relaxed and welcoming group. They can enjoy lots of varied activities, socialise with other children and have fun!

*Stay & Play* will not be going ahead on the following dates:

11<sup>th</sup> Feb, 1<sup>st</sup> April, 22<sup>nd</sup> April and  
13<sup>th</sup> May.

### WEDNESDAY MORNINGS HEALTH & DIET GROUP

Drop in between 8.30am - 9.15am

If you are interested in making healthier diet changes for yourself/your family, come along to this motivational group. We check our weight & BMI (in confidence) weekly.

### FRIDAY MORNINGS ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP 8.30am - 10.00am

Parents/Carers - if English is your second language, then this group is ideal for you! If you would like to practice and improve your spoken English, then join this informal, friendly group, meeting weekly for English conversation and refreshments.

## External Activities and Events



## Family ESOL

Luton Adult Learning in partnership with Gill Blowers  
Nursery School

This free\* 5 week course is for parents and carers of children at  
Gill Blowers Nursery School who speak English as an additional language.

- You will improve your English
- You will learn how to support your child in English
- You will feel more confident when speaking to staff in your child's school
- You will find out the level of English you are
- You will improve your skills

Please come and join our free\* short course to build your confidence and start to develop your English skills.

We will also be able to signpost you to further ESOL courses

*Come and find out more  
about this course, meet the  
teacher and enrol on  
Wednesday 26th February at  
9am.*

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WEDNESDAY

05.03.2025-  
02.04.2025



TIME

09:00-11:00



GILL BLOWERS NURSERY SCHOOL

Leabank, Wauluds Bank Drive, Luton, LU3 3LW

\*These courses are free subject to eligibility. Please note to be eligible for this free course you will need to show us that you have been a resident in the UK for more than 3 years. There are some exceptions, if you are not sure if you are eligible, please call us on 01582 490033 or speak to your family worker. [www.luton.ac.uk/learn-with-us/course-eligibility-and-immigration-status.html](http://www.luton.ac.uk/learn-with-us/course-eligibility-and-immigration-status.html)

*Come and find out more about this course, meet the teacher  
and enrol on Wednesday 26th February at 9am.*

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Good  
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## Notices and Reminders

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**Waulud Primary  
School**

### Kitchen Assistant

Please visit mynewterm online  
or visit the school office to  
request a paper application.

<https://mynewterm.com/>

### Attendance & Punctuality

Please remember that the school day starts at 8.30am.  
Being at school and arriving on time is vital so that  
children can have the best possible start to their day.  
Please be mindful that lateness has a direct impact on  
children's attendance records. Support your children being  
an Attendance HERO

### **P** Parking

If you are using the carpark for Breakfast/After-school  
Club, it is essential that you park in a marked bay for the  
safety of everyone. Thank you for your co-operation.



**Bedfordshire**  
Fire & Rescue Service

bedsfire.gov.uk  
Southfields Road  
Kempston, Bedford  
MK42 7NR  
bedsfirealert.co.uk  
@bedsfire

### Parking

Dear Parents and Guardians

Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Service would like to remind you to park considerately during school pick up and drop off times. Schools have reported concerns that emergency service vehicle access could be hindered when attending an emergency call. Fire engines require a gap of almost 3m (around 10ft) to get through.

When attending a fire or road collision, every second is precious.



Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Kind Regards

Lauren McEvoy  
Community Safety Officer  
Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Service



FREE EVENT FROM **#HEALTHY LUTON**

**8-14  
YEARS**

# CHILDREN'S BOXING FREE TASTER SESSION

**Friday 28 February  
5pm to 6pm  
Lewsey Sports Park Gym  
LU4 0PF**

Boxing helps children develop discipline, confidence, physical fitness, self-defence skills, and emotional resilience

**Book online now at**  
[beactivebeds.co.uk/childrens-boxing](https://beactivebeds.co.uk/childrens-boxing)



**be  
active**

**Luton**

## TERM DATES 2024/2025

### Spring

*Inset day: School closed for staff training*

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025

*Children return to school for the Spring Term*

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

*Half Term Holiday*

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

*Last day before Nursery closes for Easter Break  
Last day before School closes for the Easter Break*

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025  
Last Day of Spring Term: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

### Summer

*Children return to school for the Summer Term  
May Day Bank Holiday*

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025

*Half Term Holiday*

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025

*Last day before Nursery closes for the Summer break*

*Last day before School closes for the Summer break*

Last Day of Summer Term: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

*Inset Days: School closed for staff training*

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 and  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025





# Waulud Primary School

## Term Dates: 2025-2026

Autumn	
Inset Days: School closed for staff training	Monday 1st September 2025 Tuesday 2nd September 2025
Children return to school for the Autumn Term	Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Reception	All reception pupils starting September 2025 will be given their specific start date and timetable for the first week by their Class Teacher.
Nursery	Wednesday 3rd September 2025 – Current Nursery pupils returning <i>New Nursery pupils</i> - Parents will be contacted by the Class Teacher.
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025
Last day before Nursery closes for Christmas Break Last day before School closes for the Christmas Break	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 Last Day of Autumn Term: Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Spring	
Inset day: School closed for staff training	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
Children return to school for the Spring Term	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
Half Term Holiday	Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Last day before Nursery closes for Easter Break Last day before School closes for the Easter Break	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 Last Day of Spring Term: Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Summer	
Children return to school for the Summer Term May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Half Term Holiday	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Inset Days: School closed for staff training	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026
Last day before Nursery closes for the Summer break Last day before School closes for the Summer break	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 Last Day of Summer Term: Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026
Inset Days: School closed for staff training	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2026



## ATTENDANCE

Make every day count for your child. Set your child up for success by helping them flourish and grow each and every day!

## attendance MATTERS

A massive well done to our October Attendance Champions! We had a record number this month!

**Bolt Goodall Glennie Adams**

They have worked very hard to achieve the best attendance. Well done!

**100% class attendance is rewarded  
with a non-uniform day**

Important Reminder - Parents/Carers are expected to call school by 9am if your child is going to be absent for any reason. Please note, no communication may result in a home visit.

## REWARDS & RECOGNITION

Congratulations to all our award winners!

### Waulud Award

Jemison	Kayden, Anahita
Armstrong	Theo, Quinn, Yusuf, Lily
Attenborough	Inayah A, Sapphire, Adomas
Goodall	Cavell, Emanuel, Blake
Bolt	Zeeshan, Hafsa, Matthew, Takhir
Adams	Fatima, Afnisha, Hassan, Ayaan
Glennie	Mya, Sienna, Malaika, Elsa
Hadid	Kumail, Maha, Grace
Einstein	Yaqub
Hawking	Adam, David
Gandhi	Alicia, Inayah, Yasin, Ayse, Nicolas
Mandela	Kaedi, Maria, Safer, Arib, Zackary, Muhammad

### PE Star Performer

Rosen	Zukhruf, Zackary, Amairah, Agnes
Ahlberg	Beau, Ayan, Adomas, Antonio
Jemison	Fatima, Ayyub, Rumaisa, Qasim, Jamie
Armstrong	Raheem, Sophie, Arshe, Jason
Attenborough	Emily, Sapphire, Corben, Shane
Goodall	Kaiden, Zaindan, Bavkirat, Ka'liyah
Bolt	Angel, Kinley, Zoe, Kristina
Adams	Rayyan, Chelsea, Ibrahim, Coby
Glennie	Jamal, Tyanna, Salma, Mya, Susana
Hadid	Kumail, Aminul, Manha, Adheem
Einstein	Libby, Ghulam, Sophie, Alfie, Abdul
Hawking	Meliyah-Dee, Rayene, Azaan, Farid
Gandhi	Katie, Rohan, Hassan, Jahvanior, Nicolas
Mandela	Muhammad, Arib, Mia, Nazil

Our star performers demonstrate our PRIDE values and are good role models for others. Well done!





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PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Online Safety

### Tablets



**How to start a conversation with your child about using a tablet safely:**

**Why do you want to get a tablet?**

Whilst deciding if it is time for your child to have a tablet can be a great opportunity to find out what your child expects to use their tablet for. This could be for connecting with friends, playing games, for homework and research or for something else.

**What would you do if something worrying or upsetting happened on your tablet?**

You can ask them about the places they can go to find the safety advice, find out what they know about privacy settings, and ask them how to report or block on the services they use.

**What can we do as a family to help you use your tablet safely?**

Ask your child about activities or games that you could enjoy as a family, this can be a great time to establish a family agreement to manage your families time online.

### Top Tips

#### **Talk with your child about responsible use of their tablet**

Discuss what is okay and not okay to use it for and look at the possible risks. Tell your child what they should do if something goes wrong while using it. This could be to turn off the screen and tell an adult.

#### **Think about the location of the tablet**

Will it be in a shared family space or in a bedroom? Where will the tablet charge overnight? Think about: setting time limits; reminding your child about the risks of communicating online with people that they do not know; and encouraging them to come to you with any worries.

#### **Explore parental controls**

Take a look at the controls available both on the tablet itself and on your home Wi-Fi. Talk these through with your child too. Parental controls are a helpful tool, but an open conversation with your child is the most important thing.