



Summer 2 – Our School Value: PERSEVERANCE Woodborough Woods Primary School Values Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Woods, we believe in nurturing not only the minds but also the hearts of our pupils. That's why we have adopted six core Christian values—one for each half term—to guide our collective worship, classroom reflection, and school-wide behaviour.

 Love, Respect, Peace, Kindness, Patience, and Perseverance

These values provide an important framework for defining and celebrating the work of our school beyond the curriculum and help prepare children with the skills and attitudes they need for life.

Our value for this half term is PERSEVERANCE

'I can do all things through him who gives me strength.'
Philippians 4:13



Christians believe that God guides us through life and gives us strength when things feel difficult. At Woods, we encourage children to work hard, keep going, and never give up—even when learning feels challenging.

Perseverance teaches children that effort, determination, and trust can help them overcome obstacles and achieve their goals.

Our school rule – We try our best in everything we do.

Why PERSEVERANCE matters at Woods

As the school year draws to a close, perseverance is especially important. It helps children stay motivated, resilient, and positive as they reflect on their learning and prepare for new challenges ahead.

By developing perseverance, our pupils learn to:

- Keep going when learning feels difficult
- Build resilience and cope with setbacks
- Develop a growth mindset
- Understand that mistakes help us learn
- Achieve goals through effort and determination

Perseverance helps children see challenges as opportunities rather than obstacles.

How you can support this value at home

Here are some ways you can help your child develop perseverance:

1. **Praise effort, not just outcomes**
Celebrate your child's hard work, determination, and willingness to keep trying.
2. **Set achievable goals**
Help your child break larger tasks into smaller, manageable steps and celebrate progress along the way.
3. **Model perseverance**
Share your own experiences of facing challenges and how you worked through them.
4. **Encourage reflection**
Talk about what went well, what was tricky, and what your child might try differently next time.

Activities to promote PERSEVERANCE at home

1. **Challenge time**
Encourage your child to stick with a tricky task for a little longer before asking for help.
2. **Growth mindset language**
Use phrases like *"You're getting better"* or *"You haven't mastered it yet."*
3. **Problem-solving together**
Work through challenges step by step and talk about strategies that help.
4. **Celebrate progress**
Notice improvements, no matter how small, and remind children how far they have come.

A reminder about perseverance

Perseverance doesn't mean never finding things hard—it means choosing to keep going despite the challenge. Each effort, mistake, and retry helps children grow stronger and more confident.

As we encourage our pupils to persevere, we remind them that they are never alone—God gives strength, and the people around them are there to support and encourage them.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year and for working alongside us to help children become resilient, confident, and determined learners.

Warm regards,
Mrs Rankin
Assistant Head and RE Lead

