



# Woodside Matters 10

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## Welcome back everyone and Happy New Year!

We hope you had a peaceful holiday and wish you all the very best for 2018.

We started our new term with an assembly about our school value of **tolerance**. We talked about accepting that different people can have different opinions and ideas. This links to our school value of **respect**. In Monday assemblies this term, we will be reflecting on world religions.

We also spent time reflecting on our achievements in 2017 and what we are looking forward to doing in 2018.

### Sports News

Tatty Bumpkin yoga returns for Little Dormice, Dormice and Fallow Deer children! Andrea Warner will be in on Wednesday afternoons this term for yoga movement, music and multi-sensory play. We are using some of the PE Sports grant for this provision.

#### This term will be using some of the PE Sports grant to:

- improve PE equipment and storage in the hall, making the floor space more accessible
- provide more playground toys
- provide coaching sessions (Miss Kat Brain is our sports coach) and access to inter-schools competitions
- support Monday gymnastics club
- provide Wednesday sports club

Snow procedure reminder: **CHECK THE SCHOOL WEBSITE** or the **Gloucestershire Closed Schools webpage**.

### Children's absence reminder:

If your child is ill; at a medical appointment or not able to come to school for **any** reason, you **must** phone school -preferably before school starts. **All children must be accounted for.**

Please remember that the Local Authority can issue penalty fines without warning for unauthorised absence such as term time holidays or persistent lateness and **the fine is £60 per child, per parent**. This applies to all children in all schools and cannot be avoided if your child has an **unauthorised** absence. Please contact me if you have any queries or problems with this.

**Please make sure you return slips promptly; that your child knows what they are having for lunch and who will collect them. PE kits must be in school every day, please.**



**This term's school value is:**  
tolerance  
(accepting that other people  
may have different ideas and  
opinions to you)

### My Maths

My Maths is an online resource we subscribe to. It can be used at home and well as at school. Regular use will give you child a confidence boost.

Google My Maths and log in using:

Username: **woodsidesp**

Password: **circle**

Choose an area of maths and a year group activity.

Click on 'Lesson' to work through lots of fun activities using the pages numbered down the left hand side.

### Dates for your diary:

**Mon 8th Jan** Children return to school

**Weds 10th Jan** Dance medal awards in assembly 2:30pm

See the January calendar on our website

### January's Inset day

#### TOTAL COMMUNICATION

We had training on total communication, which included sign language as it is useful for a range of children- not just for those who have hearing difficulties. Many children find it difficult to process complex spoken language. A top talking tip for parents too is KISS (**Keep It Short and Simple**), especially when children are very young, tired, emotional etc and can't take it all in!

### Office Updates

**100 Club our weekly draw** is now due for Terms 3 and 4 2018 - £2.40 please send money in an envelope to the office.

Please could Parent pay accounts be checked regularly to ensure that they are in credit.

**Christmas DVD's** we have extended the order deadline to this Friday 12th Jan ,please place your order via parent pay.

Please don't hesitate to call in or contact us via email [gmatthews@woodside.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:gmatthews@woodside.gloucs.sch.uk) if there is anything we can help/support you with.

Thank you and Happy New year

Gina and Nicola

### Menu change on Thursday 18th January (Census Day)

*Bangers, Mash and Beans*

*Or*

*Soup & warm cheesy*

*Baguette*

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*Baked Chocolate Brownie with Chocolate Sauce*

**(School receives extra funding if lots of children have dinner on census day!)**

