



Woodside Matters 16

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Woodside Primary School

Denehurst, Ruardean Woodside, Ruardean, Gloucestershire GL17 9XP

Inspection dates

6–7 March 2018

Overall effectiveness	Good
Effectiveness of leadership and management	Good
Quality of teaching, learning and assessment	Good
Personal development, behaviour and welfare	Good
Outcomes for pupils	Good
Early years provision	Good
Overall effectiveness at previous inspection	Good

This is a good school

- The headteacher leads a strong and committed staff team. All who work at the school ensure that pupils succeed both academically and personally. The school is welcoming, inclusive and sits at the heart of the local community.
- Leaders and governors have an accurate understanding of the school's strengths and areas for further development. They demonstrate a determination and ambition to continue to improve the school's performance.
- The quality of teaching, learning and assessment continues to improve. Leaders ensure that staff receive appropriate training to develop their practice further.
- Teaching assistants support individual pupils effectively. Pupils who have special educational needs (SEN) and/or disabilities receive focused support so that they make good progress from their individual starting points.
- Pupils behave well in school. Their personal development, behaviour and welfare are good, and they thrive in this caring environment.
- Children in the early years achieve well. They benefit from effective teaching in a safe and well organised learning environment.

Ofsted inspection report:

The full report is now available and is on our school website. Please let us know if you would prefer a paper copy. We are very pleased with the judgements and with the lovely comments about our values and school community. We are also pleased that the areas to improve are points we had identified and are working on, so feel that they are fair and achievable. I am very pleased that clear strengths have been recognised and commented on. Governors and teaching assistants have rightly been highlighted for their contributions to the education of children at Woodside. Thank you to everyone!

- Disadvantaged pupils make at least expected progress and achieve outcomes which are in line with those of their peers. The gap between these and other pupils in the school has closed.
- The teaching of phonics in Year 1 is effective. Outcomes are above the national average.
- The school's focus on improving standards in mathematics is having a positive impact. Most pupils are making better progress across the school. However, this work is not yet fully embedded across all year groups.

This term's school value is...

SELF-BELIEF

and we are reminding the children about our 'Can't do it...yet!' and 'Yes you can!' mottos.

Dogs:

Polite reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school site-due to children's allergies and safety. It is not acceptable to carry dogs on to the site either.

PTFA Easter Egg hunt

Thank you to Gina and the PTFA for arranging the Easter Egg Hunt and activities on Sunday. It was lovely to see so many families and great to be able to use all of our school grounds as the weather was so good to us. £105 was raised, so thank you all for your support.

Car parking complaint

Two parents have complained about inconsiderate parking around the green which is dangerous for children and families walking to their own cars. Please keep a look out for pedestrians, especially when driving away.

Thank you

HAVING A SORT OUT OVER THE HOLIDAYS? Please recycle clothes in our Salvation Army clothes bank as money raised goes to treats for the children

School Trips

Please see the Charging and Remissions Policy on our website about voluntary contributions for trips. School are not allowed to 'charge' so we have to say contributions are voluntary and that trips will be cancelled if costs cannot adequately be covered by voluntary contributions.

We subsidise trips so that there is a maximum £10 contribution and support individual families with costs. By the week before the Warwick castle trip we were £220 down on contributions we knew were going to be voluntarily made (due to information on slips), so we were considering cancelling as the venue needed to be paid on time. **Please** reply to slips and pay on Parent Pay promptly. If you need support with payment, please contact us well in advance as we do use funds to support where needed.

Open evening for parents: We have only had 8 responses so far. We would like to share with you the types of activities your child does in school, such as phonics and reading; our book based literacy approach; growth mindset and learning partner approach; internet safety and maths strategies.

We plan to do this on a Wednesday after school in April or May and would like to know what time is best for the majority of parents, so please return the slip below. **When we have responses, the date and times will be advertised so please look out for that.** The idea is for us to be available for a couple of hours running repeat sessions, which parents rotate around so you can visit us many different sessions as you wish.

Parents' open evening. The best times for me would be: (please tick all that apply to you)

4:00-5:00

Name _____

5:00-6:00

Child(ren) _____

6:00-7:00