

Woodside Matters 7

from Mrs Davis

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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.

Football Association skill sessions outdoor: PE kit required- joggers, trainers /Football boots

Breakfast Club 7.45—8.45 Monday to Friday

£3.50 per session which includes a healthy breakfast.

No need to book, just turn up on the day- an opportunity to beat the traffic and start your Christmas shopping!

If you receive any benefits, please check on the GCC website to see if you are eligible to apply for free school meals. Even if your child does not book the meals, school receives additional funding which would be used to improve provision for your child.

We have had a spot inspection on food hygiene by the Forest of Dean council and I am very pleased to report that our food hygiene rating remains at 5, which is the maximum achievable. Well done to all involved in school lunch provision!

Local Authority attendance update

Please note, Gloucestershire County Council have changed the procedures for absence penalty fines, such as for unauthorised term time holidays and persistent lateness. We will be implementing these changes from January 2018, so you have had a period of notice.

There is no longer a requirement for schools to issue warning letters to parents prior to a penalty notice being issued.

From GCC's Penalty Notice Code of Conduct::

4.8 There is no right of appeal against a penalty notice. Although this Code of Conduct states that there is no requirement to issue a warning letter before requesting a penalty notice for unauthorised holiday absences, (Code G), parents should have been warned of this possibility in the School Attendance Policy and in other avenues of parental communication which can be clearly evidenced by the school if required.

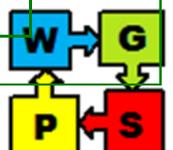
This information is also in our Attendance Policy on our website under the 'Policies and Documents' tab. Please request a paper copy if you wish.

Also note that the Local Authority can fine **each parent** £60 for **each child** (therefore a family of three children could be fined £360). Penalty fines can also be issued for persistent lateness.

We are making the **KS2 Christmas play on Tuesday 19th Dec** start later at **5:45pm**.

This has been re-arranged on request from working parents.

All other plays remain at the same time as published, due to the age of the children involved.



This term's school value is: respect (for learning)

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: **woodsidesps**

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.

Topic information is put onto our website every term, under 'CURRICULUM and TOPIC INFORMATION'. Please have a look so you can talk about them with your child.

Home-school links and relationships

We appreciate that the run-up to Christmas is very busy for all parents. Please continue to work well with us and talk to us if there are any issues.

I believe a few parents have some queries over homework at the moment? I do not know the details so please contact school to discuss any problems as we are working in the dark otherwise.

All school have expectations for homework and ours are not that onerous compared to other schools. **We are more than happy to help if asked.**

Office Update:

Please don't forget to send any sold or unsold raffle tickets back for the Christmas raffle. In the front reception window a tray is located for rely slips etc. Many thanks

Dates for your diary:

Fri 1st Dec- Non uniform day in exchange for bringing in an item for our Christmas Hamper fund raising raffle.

(eg chocolate, biscuits, bottles, toiletries, small gift etc .) THANK YOU

Weds 6th Dec 3:15pm PTFA Christmas Fayre

Weds 13th Dec 9:15am EYFS play

Weds 13th Dec 1:30pm KS2 play

Thurs 14th Dec 1:30pm KS1 play

Thurs 14th Dec 3:15pm EYFS play

Fri 15th Dec 9:15am KS2 play

Fri 15th Dec 2:30pm RAFFLE PRIZE DRAW in assembly all welcome

Fri 15th Dec Christmas jumper day-wear a Christmas jumper and donate £1 to Save the Children charity

Mon 18th Dec 5pm KS1 play

Tues 19th Dec 5:45pm KS2 play

Weds 20th Dec Christmas panto at the village hall partly funded by the PTFA; Christmas dinner day and last day of term!

FOOTBALL

7th and 14th December

Football skill sessions-there are a few sessions left on Thursdays, so please provide warm clothing and trainers. If your child has football boots they are allowed to wear them.

Christmas Lunch Wednesday 20th Dec

Menu

Roast Turkey

Or Cranberry and Rice filled

Butternut Squash.

Gingerbread or Christmas Pudding

Payment to be made via parent pay (one off payment of £2.28 can be made).