



Woodside Matters 9

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.

Merry Christmas from all at Woodside Primary School. Thank you for your continued support and we'd like to wish you all the very best for 2018!

Snow!

Thank you to Mr and Mrs Linnane for helping the school to open on Weds last week by clearing a pathway to the front gate. Thanks all for your consideration dropping children off with me and driving away-this worked really well. **Huge** thanks to Mr Coleman for clearing the car park so that families could park more easily for the afternoon performance.

There are lots of factors to consider before closing, including the weather forecast; road access and if enough staff can get here. We are lucky that we are close to the road as we can open if the road is open; if the pathway from the gate to the front door is clear and we have appropriate staff to child ratios. We are grateful to Pete Linnane who volunteers to clear the pavements surrounding the school, but please take care.

Usually, the car park is cleared by Ruardean's snow warden with a snow plough but unfortunately he is in hospital. If you could help clearing for an hour next time it snows, we are making a list so please let us know if we could call on you. Thanks all.

Well done children for your brilliant performances on Wednesday-we really couldn't tell that you had missed dress rehearsals and that there were children missing due to chicken pox. You were all superstars and the other performances went really well too!

Snow procedure reminder:

CHECK THE SCHOOL WEBSITE or the Gloucestershire Closed Schools webpage.

Children's absence:

If your child is ill, at a medical appointment or not able to come to school due to the snow 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.

Next term's school value will be: tolerance

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.

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

Your feedback about school is welcomed, so please fill this in and return it. Please comment on any aspect of school life you like eg: communications you have with us; homework; school events; the curriculum; your child's experience of school; trips; school dinners; Christmas performances or anything else. Thank you-and do pop in and see me about any issues that arise.