



# Woodside Matters 9

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## Christmas Cheer!

### Mince Pie afternoon

Thank you to Mrs Fawkes and Mrs James for welcoming in all our visitors and organising super Christmas craft activities. It was lovely to see so many members of your families and it was a lovely atmosphere.

### Performances

Well done to all our super-stars for performing so well. We are all very proud of you and think you are amazing! Thank you to all staff for helping the children learn their lines; sing their songs; act and dance so well at school and at Ruardean Hall. This is a really important part of school life as well as great for fun and enjoyment- along with school trips, after school events, clubs and residential stays which I am very grateful for staff volunteering to do. Many thanks for helping with costumes too everyone! The Drama Club performances was lovely and was enjoyed by all at the village hall too. Mrs Ingledow will start the club again on Mon 13th Jan.

### Singing, Christmas Raffle Draw and PTFA

We had a lovely sing-song this afternoon amongst drawing the raffle, which made us feel really Christmassy. Thank you again for your donations to the raffle, which has raised £432! Mrs Matthews and Mrs Phelps have done a great job at leading the PTFA events so far this year. The sponsored walk, raffle, clubs, clothes bank proceeds and evening performance donations means £3,132 has been raised so far this year for 'extras' for the children such as the extra iPads and Christmas Panto. We are looking into options for easier staging so we can get it out more regularly throughout the year as we think children would love that (eg Harvest Festival, class assemblies, Leavers' Assembly.) Any feedback welcome. Thank you so much to Pete, Mr Rudge, Mr Weaver and Mr Coleman for doing the stage again this year-it is very much appreciated.

### Future performances

Plans for next year are already afoot! At Christmas next year, EYFS and KS1 will do their performances as normal. For KS2, instead of a play at Christmas we are thinking about a Christmas Carol community event on the yard led by KS2 children with craft stalls and refreshments for us all to enjoy together. You'll be encouraged to sing along! By using the yard, we are not limited to numbers at all and as it is so lovely to include wider families, the more the merrier! Y5 and Y6 children will do an amazing play in the summer term (2021), so don't worry they won't miss out on performing for you in the next academic year!

**Recycling Matters!** 7kgs of crisp packets have now been collected!

**After school collections** Please remember to inform staff if you have arranged a friend to collect your child. This will avoid awkwardness and delay at the end of the school day as staff cannot hand your child over without knowing that alternative arrangements have been made. Thank you!

**Merry Christmas from all at Woodside everyone and we hope you enjoy a happy New Year!**

Mon 6th Jan back to school  
Fri 14th Feb Inset day  
Mon 17th Feb-21st Feb Half term  
Mon 6th April to Fri 17th April Easter holiday  
Fri 8th May Bank Holiday  
Mon 25th May to 29th May Half term  
Weds 24th June Sports Day  
Weds 1st July reserve date for Sports day  
Fri 17th July last day of term

