



Woodside Matters 10

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Welcome back to school!

It is lovely to see everyone again and to see everyone starting the New Year off so well. I am very impressed with the children's attitudes towards their work and we look forward to working with you this term.

Staffing update

Welcome back to Miss Abbott, who is doing regular supply work for us alongside Mr Bird. Mr Bird will be teaching Red Squirrels class on Friday mornings. Mrs Freeman-Price is working with Miss Haskett again on most mornings as we have opened up pre-school sessions to two year olds.

Little Dormice pre-school sessions

Two-year olds are coming on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at the moment and we will increase this as needed. We have a pre-school and reception drop-in open morning on Weds 22nd January for prospective parents. Please mention this to anyone you know who may be interested in finding out more about our pre-school sessions or who are thinking about reception places for September.

Parental support opportunity

School nursing hub visit Thursday 16th January 1—3pm No appointment necessary

This is an informal and safe space for you to discuss with professionals any concerns worries you may be having with your children, such as healthy lifestyle; dental health; sleep; self-esteem and building resilience; behaviour including anger.

100 Club

This term's 100 club payment is now due so please pay via parent pay if you want to take part.

Parent Pay System Reminder

Some Parent Pay accounts are in debt and this is not a sustainable pattern as the accounts work under a **credit system** ie you put money into the account then place orders. This includes the Caterlink dinners and breakfast club sessions. If you received a Parent Pay debt letter before and since Christmas, do not continue to order the services if you have not credited your account. We will expect you to provide your child with packed lunches until your account is in credit.

Home-school contact

If you have any queries or concerns about lunches, uniform, events etc please look on our website, check the app or contact the school office.

For any class-based queries, please contact the office to make an appointment with your child's class teacher.

For special educational needs queries, please ask for an appointment with your child's teacher and/or Mrs Jeavons.

For family support queries (eg Teens in Crisis referral, food vouchers, behaviour support, parenting advice) please arrange an appointment with Gina in the first instance.

For other concerns or queries about whole school provision, please make an appointment with our Deputy Head, Mrs Fawkes, or with myself.

We do not offer drop-in meetings before school except in exceptional circumstances.

Curriculum

Topics have a history focus this term, with Y1 and Y2 children focussing on toys and Y3-6 focussing on Mexico and The Mayans.



This term's value is TOLERANCE

Dates for your diaries:

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

Uniform, jewellery and hair

Please refer to the below, from our Parent Handbook on our website.

Uniform The school uniform consists of the following items:-

Navy sweatshirt
white polo shirt
Navy, black or grey trousers/shorts, skirts/pinafores/skirts
Pale blue striped or checked summer dresses
Sensible black shoes

If you wish, sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts and T-shirts with the school logo can be ordered from the school office or direct from our Suppliers School Trends www.schooltrendsonline.com/schools/woodsidePrimarySchoolGL179XP

All children are expected to have a P.E. kit which they keep in a suitable bag in the cloakroom. This consists of:-

Green Polo Shirt
Shorts

Daps (preferably slip-on) or trainers

Children may wear tracksuits/jumpers for outdoor P.E. during the cold weather. We do not allow them to do P.E. in shoes so it is imperative that they do have the necessary footwear. All items of clothing must be clearly marked with the child's name. Any unclaimed articles of clothing will be put in the lost property box which is in the school office. P.E in the hall is done in daps or barefoot not trainers. Black jeans or short skirts are not permitted, in line with local secondary schools.

Jewellery and Hair The only earrings that are acceptable are plain studs. During P.E. sessions earrings and watches must be removed for safety reasons and given to the class teacher for safe-keeping. Hair must be tied back if long, to help minimise the spread of head lice. As in all schools, we have incidences of head lice and when we are made aware, letters are sent to all parents in a class to let you know with advice on how best to treat it. We do not approve of shaved designs or hair colouring, in line with rules in secondary schools.

Please discourage boys from wearing shorts in very cold weather. Girls should also be appropriately dressed for the weather, wearing warm tights or trousers.