



# Woodside Matters

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*This term's school value is determination*

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week:

Dojos: Charlie, Bodhi, Erica, Marcus, Tyler, Lexi, Ava, Clay, Reuben

Achievement: Archie, Maggie, Lola, Louie, Esmail, Millie, Ellis, Jasmine, Frankie

Reading: Theo, Evie, Phoebe, Ellyn, Zac, Lucy, Corey

Pros-Star of the week: Jake, Lucas, Scarlet, Frankie



Well done to Jake who was awarded a trophy for his rugby and to Phoebe for her horse riding rosettes.

## Road works

We have been advised that the road from the village hall to the school is due for repair 24th—27th November. Please be aware that there may be some disruption to traffic during this time.

## Break time snacks

We'd like to ask all children who bring in a snack for playtime to help us reduce our waste and care for the environment. Children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack; ideally fruit or vegetables. We'd like to ask that no snack is brought in if it is wrapped up in a plastic wrapper or box. Things like fruit, vegetables, little slices of cheese, breadsticks or rice cakes are all suitable snacks. If needed, these can be brought into school in a re-useable named pot or tub. Anything with wrappers, (such as yoghurts or fruit winders) please keep for eating at home or lunchtime. Children in EYFS and KS1 are all eligible for free fruit or vegetables at playtime so may not need to bring a snack at all.

As a reminder, we also do not accept birthday cakes or sweets to share out in class, due to food allergies and intolerances for some of our children. Thank you for your support with this.

## Term Dates 2023-2024

### Autumn term 2023

Sept 4th—22nd December

Half Term: 30th Oct—3rd Nov

### Spring term 2024

8th January—22nd March

Half Term: 12th—16th Feb

### Summer Term 2024

8th April—22nd July

Half Term: 27th—31st May

### INSET days:

September 4th

November 6th

December 22nd

May 24th

July 22nd

For all children wishing to take part in our school's fundraising 100 Club please contact the school office. A weekly number will be drawn out with the winner receiving £5.

**Congratulations to  
Theo  
who is the winner  
this week!**

As a reminder our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are on the website should you wish to view them.

**Childcare  
Choices**



West Gloucestershire  
Schools Partnership

### Parking

Please make sure you leave the yellow zig-zag area in front of school vehicle free. This is to help us keep children safe when entering and leaving the school site and we appreciate your support. When dropping off in the morning please check carefully for other cars that may be continuing round the triangle.

Thank you.

**Please do not  
park on the  
ZIG-ZAGS**

### Parents Evening

Letters have been sent home, please return as soon as possible so appointments can be made. If you would like an appointment with our SENDCO please email Mrs Jeavons directly and she will arrange a suitable time.



### Upcoming dates

3rd October— Key Stage One federation afternoon

10th October—Play in a day Year 3 and 4 children

11th October—Parent's Evening

18th October—Parent's Evening

24th October— Year 3 and 4 federation morning

30th October Half term

6th November—INSET day

9th November—Year 5 and 6 federation afternoon

23rd November—Nasal Flu vaccinations

4th December—life education sessions

### Free Childcare

#### What is the existing offer for free childcare?

Currently, **all parents are entitled to 15 hours per week childcare for 3 and 4 year olds**. Parents who work more than 16 hours a week and earn less than £100,000 are entitled to 30 hours free childcare a week for children aged 3 and 4. Parents of disadvantaged 2 year olds are also entitled to 15 hours per week childcare.

#### How will this change up to 2025?

By September 2025, working parents of all children over the age of 9 months will be entitled to 30 hours of childcare. So that nurseries and childminders can prepare to deliver such an expansion it will be rolled out in phases:

- **From April 2024**, working parents of 2 year olds can access 15 hours childcare
- **From September 2024**, 15 hours childcare will be extended to all children from 9 months old
- **From September 2025**, working parents of children under the age of 5 will be entitled to 30 hours child care a week.