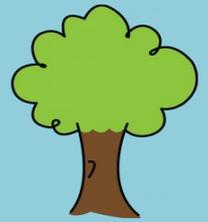


WOODNOOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING 1 NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS



Class Teacher: Miss Del Mar (2D)
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Dean and Mrs Strutz

Roles and Responsibilities



As a member 2D, every child is expected to take responsibility for looking after their equipment, classroom and the school environment.

Please ensure all uniform, P.E. kit and coats are clearly labelled with the name and class of your child.

THANK YOU.

2D Homework

PLEASE ensure you read with your child as often as possible. Books will be changed three times a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Friday - Spelling and Maths

Each Friday, children will be given a set of spellings to learn over the weekend and a maths sheet which covers different areas of the curriculum.

Spelling Tests will take place on a Monday morning.

Maths homework needs to be returned by Tuesday.

Times Table Challenges will take place on Thursday morning. Please help your child learn their multiplication tables - we are starting with twos, fives and tens then threes, eights, fours and elevens.



PE



P.E. will take place on Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

Please ensure your child has a suitable kit to include:-

- Pumps
- Shorts & t-shirt
- A long sleeved top & long trousers (suitable for outdoor P.E)

Please make sure that this is also labelled with the name and class of your child.

School starts promptly at 8.55am and finishes at 3.30 p.m. Your child's regular and prompt attendance at school is crucial to his/her success. As soon as the children enter the classroom in the morning, children immediately start their learning. If children are not here on time, they miss out on such opportunities.

PPA Time

I will be out of class on Tuesday mornings so Miss Eaton will be taking the class for Reading Comprehension, R.E. and PSHE. I am certain the children will really enjoy these exciting and creative lessons!

Explorers

- This half term, we will be learning about explorers (Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus) as a History and Geography Topic. We will also be incorporating DT by making moon buggies. The key skills which will be covered in the topic will be:
- Recognising the distinction between present and past in their own and other people's lives
- Identifying some similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods
Know where some people and events fit into a chronological framework
- Where is the area located? How far away is this place? How could people get there?
- What is the physical geography like e.g. weather, landscape, rivers, hills etc? What distinctive features does the area have?
- What is the human geography like e.g. settlement size, shops, services, local industries, transport links, tourist attractions?
- What are the similarities and differences between this area and the small area(s) of the UK?
- What are the lives of children in this area like? What would it feel like to live in this place?

Reading

Children will have a reading book appropriate to their reading level. Accompanying these books are their reading diaries where you can write comments on their reading. Your child will also be given many opportunities throughout the week to read a variety of texts. For example they will read once a week during guided reading sessions with the class teacher.



In Literacy this half term we will be reading stories by the same author (Jonny Duddle) and will be focussing on 'The Jolly-Rogers and the Monster's Gold'

We will also be looking at instructions and non-chronological reports.



In Numeracy this term we will be looking at measurement (cm and m), addition and subtraction, fractions, division, position and direction and time.

Please support your child at home by helping them to complete their maths homework and learn their five, ten and three times table.

Rockstars

School has subscribed to rockstars, which is a website for children to use their times tables.

Please allow your child time to play on this at home. You can use the internet on laptops, computers or download the app on ipads, tablets or mobile phones.



SNACK



School provides KS1 children with a healthy snack at break times such as fruit or vegetables.

We also encourage your child to drink water in class throughout the day, but they may bring something else to drink with their packed lunch. Please supply your child with a labeled clear water bottle and encourage them to bring it home each weekend to be washed and sterilized.

Toast is available on Tuesday and Wednesday morning at a price of 20p per slice. Crumpets are also available at 30p per crumpet.