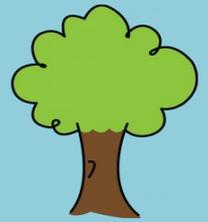




WOODNOOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING 1 NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS



Class Teacher: Mrs O'Hare (3/40)

Teaching Assistant: Miss Crilly

Roles and Responsibilities



As a member of 3/40, 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.

3/40 homework

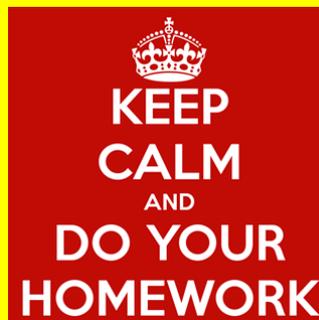
Tuesday - Spellings

Thursday - Maths

Reading books will be changed twice a week on Monday and Friday.

Times Table Challenges will take place on Tuesday afternoons. Please help your child learn their multiplication tables.

Maths homework needs to be returned by the following Thursday.



PE



P.E. will take place on Wednesday afternoons and swimming on a Tuesday afternoon.

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)

For swimming boys will need shorts that aren't too long. Girls will need a swim suit. All children will need to bring a towel and a swimming cap.

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 Wednesday afternoon and Friday afternoon so Mrs. Knight will be taking the class for indoor P.E., R.E. Music Computing and French. I am certain the children will really enjoy these exciting and creative lessons!

Rock and Roll

In Science we will:

Compare and group together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties.

Describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.

Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

Rocks and soils can feel and look different.

Rocks and soils can be different in different places/environments.

In History we will be:

Exploring how Britain has changed since the Ice Age, taking a look at Stonehenge and identifying other significant buildings around the world.

In Geography we will:

Investigate earthquakes and volcanoes: what they are; why they happen; and how they affect the landscape and human activity.

Reading

Reading is a very important skill which needs regular practise. We encourage children to read on a daily basis, a book of their choosing. Please support us by listening to your child read as often as you can, and questioning them about the story to develop their understanding.



English

In English this half term we will be reading and writing about Stig of the Dump, analysing poems and creating discussion texts for our non-fiction focus. Children will complete their own piece of writing around these areas applying many different writing features.



Numeracy

In Numeracy this term we will be looking at place value, mental calculations, written methods for multiplication and division, fractions and volume, capacity and mass.

Maths is a life skill and children are absorbed in it every day.

Please help your child by regularly practising times tables and involving them in everyday Maths tasks, e.g.

Spellings

Our weekly spellings test takes place every Tuesday afternoon. The children will take home spellings every Tuesday to learn for the week. These will be returned the following week to show they have tried to learn them. It is very important that they take the time to practise these as often they can.



SNACK



It is important to note your child can bring 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.