

Woodborough Wood's Foundation C of E (Aided) School
Class 1 Newsletter
Spring Term 2 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after half-term.

The year is going by so quickly, I can't believe we have passed the mid-point of the year. I am very pleased with how the children are progressing in Class 1 and I am very proud of them all. We are looking forward to the second half of our Spring term where we have a new theme 'Growing Together', the theme is driven by the unit 'plants' in Science.

Please, read the general information below as some points have changed.

General Information:

Snacks and Water: Please ensure that your child brings water in their labelled drinking bottles and that they have a healthy snack for the afternoon. If they bring it in a snack pot, please ensure these are named. The snack needs to be nut free as we are a nut free school.

Homework: The children have received a paper copy of the new homework grid to be completed over the duration of the upcoming weeks. There are lots of different homework activities which are related to our learning this half-term. I will be asking them to bring their completed work into school on Monday 27th March 2023. As usual spellings, reading and phonics sound practise is expected each week.

Here are some of the things we will be learning about this half-term:

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English: Our English work this half-term will be influenced by the topic, plants. Therefore, the books we will be looking closely at are The Enormous Turnip and Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will innovate their own narrative and will write and illustrate shape poetry.





The children will be tested on their spellings every Thursday. Please can you make sure your child practices their spellings beforehand. I have sent out a hard copy of the spellings for the entire half-term and I will send regular reminders on Yammer.

Every Monday, the children should all come home with two reading books that is matched to their book band. It is expected that the children do at least 3 reads per week with an adult. Each child will also have the opportunity to go to the school library and choose books to read for pleasure over the half-term. After you have read at home, remember to pop their reading diary and books back into their bag ready for the next day as the children have the opportunity to read to a member of staff at school.

Maths: The Maths learning follows the White Rose Maths scheme, which ties in with the New Primary Curriculum. Key mathematical concepts covered this term include place value, length and height and mass and volume.

Science: The learning this half-term is driven by the topic plants. We will be identifying and naming a variety of common wild, garden plants and flowering plants including deciduous and evergreen trees. We will also be planting broad bean seeds.

Art: Art this half-term will be focused on the work of Yayoi Kusama. We will be learning about the artist and her fantastic artwork.

Computing: This half-term we will be looking at coding and instructions. We will be using the Purple Mash scheme for this.

PE: This half-term PE sessions will be on a Thursday and Friday and will be delivered by our specialised PE coaches.

RE: The topic this half-term in RE is 'salvation'; this involves understanding why Easter is an important time for Christians.

Finally, if require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to message me on Yammer or alternatively email me at ecdennis@woodsfoundation.notts.sch.uk. I am always very happy to help. ©

Kindest Regards, Miss Craig-Dennis