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CLASS 4 AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

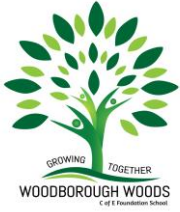
Hello and welcome back to another half term! I hope you all had a fantastic break and I have enjoyed hearing from the children of the exciting things you got up to! Our theme this half term is 'Why did Woodborough flood?'

English

At the start of the term we shall be focusing on poetry and creating our own free verse poem inspired by our science work of the water cycle. We will be seeking inspiration from the book 'The Rhythm of the Rain' and focusing on similes, metaphors, hyperbole, personification and kennings. We will then move onto writing an explanation piece on the water cycle.

In our whole class reading lessons, we shall be reading 'The Last Bear.' We shall be focusing on the author's intention in their vocabulary and the effect this has on the reader alongside developing our inference skills. Please feel free for your child to bring in a copy from home should you have it.

Reading- please ensure your child is reading and this is recorded in their reading diary a minimum of 4 times per week. We are continuing our school reading challenge this year- let's see how many



children can achieve 300 reads! Please ensure only one read per day is recorded.

Spelling tests will be every Monday. I will share the spelling list electronically.

Maths

This half term we will be looking at multiplication and division. It is so important for the children to be practising their times tables at home, it really does help them! I will be sending additional worksheets to complete to support your child in specific times tables which they need to work on.

Science

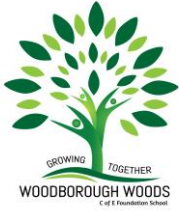
This term we will be continuing to focus on materials. We will be performing experiments relating to converting materials and build our knowledge of conducting scientific enquiries with a focus on ensuring our tests is fair. We will then move onto focusing on the water cycle and how evaporation and condensation is vital.

PSHE

This half term we will be focusing on families and relationships. We will reflect on how families are diverse and the stereotypes people with disabilities face. We will then move onto health and wellbeing with a focus on how we look after our teeth and our mental wellbeing.

Geography

This half term we are focusing on rivers and the water cycle before looking at the village of Woodborough and the contributing factors



as to why it floods. We will be using different forms of maps to analyse the features of maps. We will also take a walk around the village and sketch an overview of Woodborough.

DT

This half term we will be making greenhouses and exploring a wide range of materials before evaluating functional properties and aesthetic functions.

PE

Sessions are on Thursdays and Fridays, please continue to send your child into school in a PE kit on those days. We will be focusing on dance and yoga this half term. Please could children with long hair bring hair bobbles or, preferably, have their hair tied back on these days. With earrings, if the children cannot remove them themselves for the session, could they kindly not wear them on PE days. If this is not possible, please send in tape/plasters for the children to wear over the earrings for that session.

Weather, water bottles and snacks.

As we are approaching colder weather, please could you ensure your child brings in jumper/cardigan with their name in alongside a coat. Please ensure that your child brings water in their labelled drinking bottles and that they have a healthy snack for morning and/or afternoon. If they bring it in a snack pot, please ensure these are named. No crisps, chocolate or sweets please.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact or catch me on the door at the end of the day.



Kind regards,
Miss Farrell