

Woodside Church Of England Primary School

Termly Information to Parents

Year 1 Holly Class

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Dear Parents and Guardians,



Welcome to Year 1-Holly Class!

Class Teachers are: **Mrs Vincent** -Monday-Wednesday
Mrs Clifford-Thursday/Friday.
Teaching Assistant is: **Miss Moss**



Welcome back everyone!



It has been a very strange year but we are delighted to be teaching your children once again this year. We hope that having the continuity of teachers will allow your child to feel more comfortable about the transition into Year 1. With this in mind, we have spent a considerable amount of time organising the Year 1 classroom and resources to ensure that the transition is as gentle as

possible. The children's wellbeing is of paramount importance and therefore the Year 1 classroom reflects many of the areas and routines that they were used to in Reception. The children will be accessing the curriculum through:

- **Directed Activities**-where they will work with a teacher or teaching assistant in whole class or small groups.
- **Continuous Provision**-resources and areas that are always available to them and **Enhanced provision** where new resources are added to develop skills and knowledge.
- **Challenges**-where children are asked to complete independent activities linked to objectives or skills.



The curriculum and classroom will be under constant review and will change over the time to adapt to the children's needs.



The children are now in our Year 1 "bubble" and therefore the resources are **only** shared with the children in our bubble. School has a thorough cleaning regime everyday and at the end of each week resources are either cleaned or rotated.

We have been very impressed with how well the children have adapted to the return back to school. They have been fantastic at following new procedures and routines. **Well done Holly Class!**

Topics for this half term

We will linking our English learning to the books: Little Red Riding Hood/Bog Baby/Orion and the Dark and The Tiger Who Came to Tea. Our Maths learning will look at Number-Place Value/Addition and Subtraction and Shape. We will also be developing our Personal and Social Education through the topic of "Being Me in My World".



Homework

Each week the children will be expected to complete homework. In Year 1 the children receive:

- **A reading book**-The children will bring home a reading book to read to you. (This is a different book to the one that they will have read in class.) They must read this book 5 times a week. Please either comment or sign the yellow reading record book to say that this has been achieved. This will be checked each week. The reading book and yellow reading record book **must** be in school **everyday**.
- **Spellings**-The children will bring home new spellings on **Mondays**. They must practise their spellings at home throughout the week. Each week the children will have up to 10 spellings to practise at home and it is expected that they should be getting at least 8/10 correct each week. The spelling book **MUST** be returned the following Monday so that we can check the homework has been completed and new spellings can be added into their book. The spelling test will take place on Monday.
- **English/Maths**- These will be sent out on alternate weeks on a **Thursday** and should be returned the following Thursday so that we can check the homework has been completed.



Book bags

The children are allowed to bring in book bags (**no ruck sacks please**) so that items can be transferred between home and school. If your child has one please do send it into school. The children will be receiving more books and it will allow them to carry things to gate (especially at home time) much easier.

PE

Our PE day is on **Tuesday**. The children should come to school in their PE kit as we are unable to allow children to change in school. PE will mainly take place outdoors. Please remember to **label** all parts of the kit-especially hoodies that may be taken off during the day.



Please remember to check that all of your child's uniform is labelled. We already have some unnamed jumpers and cardigans in our "Going home box"

We have been very proud of how well Holly class have settled back into school and look forward to seeing them learn and grow even more this year. If you have any queries or concerns please telephone school or send us an email via the school office.

Many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Vincent and Mrs Clifford