Woodside Church Of England Primary School

Termly Information to Parents

Year Reception(ASH) SUMMER TERM

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I can't quite believe we have reached the final term of Reception already. The children have adapted so well to being back at school and have settled nicely back into routine. This term, we will be doing lots of work in normal lesson time and in smaller intervention groups to ensure that the children are ready and equipped with all the skills they will need for Year 1.

Topics for half term

During this half term we are going to be learning all about William Shakespeare and the story of Hamlet, along with the rest of the school. This will include making potions, designing crowns and shields, writing letters to the king and learning about who William Shakespeare is.

During our DT and Science lessons, we will be planting and growing our own healthy vegetables, starting with potatoes, to see where food comes from and how to eat healthy meals.

We will also be thinking lots about relationships with our friends and family in our Jigsaw lessons.

<u>Homework</u>

Homework will resume in full, starting next week. Maths games and sharing books will accompany Reading books and phonics books. Each piece of homework will be with you for the week. Here is a reminder of the days these will be collected in:

Monday—Maths Games
Tuesday—Reading Books
Wednesday—Sharing books
Thursday—Phonics Books

The ability to read confidently and competently is key to future success and at Woodside we continue to strive to develop this skill as well as create 'a love of reading' within our pupils. Please could you remember to read with your child each night and make a note in the reading record. Books will not be changed if it is not clear it has been read 5 times at home.



PE

PE will now be on a Tuesday Afternoon. The children will need to come to school in their PE kit EVERY TUESDAY. We are lucky enough to have a professional sportsman from NW Sports joining us for our PE lessons to bring more excitement and hopefully the children will enjoy the activities he has planned for us.

Welly Walks

Welly Walks will still be on a Wednesday morning. Please send Waterproofs in and we will now be able to keep these at school for the half term. I will ensure they are sent home at half term to be washed.

Unfortunately, there are a large number of children not bringing their clothes, meaning some weeks we have not been able to go into the forest. The waterproofs are not just to protect them from the rain, they also protect them from low branches, stinging nettles and the mud should they trip. I only have a limited number of spares available so if we do not have the appropriate clothing we will not be able to continue with our weekly trip to Forest School.

Uniform

Now the weather is starting to warm up, the children may not want to bring a coat. Please ensure they are still wearing their full school uniform including their cardigan or jumper. It may seem warm enough outside but the classroom can be cold inside. The children should also wear black school shoes not trainers.

Water Bottles

Please ensure, your child brings a water bottle every day, that is named and only contain water. We do have cups of water available to drink throughout the day and your child is eligible for free school milk until they are 5 (you have to register for this on the School milk website).

The children are working so hard at school and I continue to be proud of them everyday!

f you have any queries or concerns please do come and see one of the Reception team,

Thank you.

Miss Court