

Woodside Church Of England Primary School

Termly Information to Parents

Year 6 Summer Term



We hope that the information included here will help you to know what is planned this term and how you can best support your child.

Reading

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. All children are therefore expected to read at home at least five times a week - at least 10 pages at a time - and we ask that you sign their reading diaries to show this (to be checked on a Thursday). ***Please do not sign their diary if they have not read.*** It is important that children continue to read aloud to an adult as well as reading to themselves- children gain so much from the discussion that goes with this shared activity.

PE

Our PE day is Friday. This term we will be focusing on Rounders, cricket and athletics . Each day , we will also have an 'exercise blast' - pupils do not need kit but they may wish to keep a pair of trainers in school.

Homework

Homework will be given out or set on Google Classroom and expected back in as follows;

Maths - set on a Friday, to be handed in the following Thursday

Spelling - set on a Monday, to be tested the following Friday.

Additional Literacy or 'themed' work may be set on occasions

Themes

This term we are focusing on Geography and Design technology. Our weekly geography lessons will be building skills linked to 'Investigating World Trade' and our DT project , at the end of the term, will be to create felt phone cases.

Our PSHE (Jigsaw) theme this half term is ' Relationships' and over the next few weeks, through our literacy, we will exploring Shakespeare's Hamlet.

Assessments

Teachers carry out ongoing assessments all the time and adjust their teaching/lessons to ensure that children are understanding what is being taught. In addition to this the children sit more formal 'tests' each term so that we can see how well they have understood and can remember what has been taught. Although this year, we are not required to administer and submit SATs , BDMAT have asked all schools to use published papers to help give an accurate judgement of pupil attainment at the end of the year. As a result, year 6 pupils will complete 'tests' in a formal setting, towards the end of May.

Finally, at our school, we are fortunate enough to have teachers who each specialise in different subjects. In order to utilise their expertise to develop all children's learning, there will be occasions where the class teacher does not teach the class. On a Tuesday Mr Lavis will be teaching Year 6 Science, French and Computing. Thank you for your continued help and support.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to make an appointment to see your class teacher, Miss Smallwood.