



Year 3 Newsletter – Autumn Term 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 3 at Woodthorne Primary School and welcome for the first time to Key Stage Two. We are pleased to see that children have settled in well considering the unusual time we are in. Well done and thank you!

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead, with lots of opportunities for learning. This letter outlines the topics to be covered during the Autumn Term.

English

During the term we will be using the texts The Tin Forest, After the Fall, Stone Age Boy and an animated story - The Present. Children will develop their sentence structure skills using expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and embed the use of different punctuation.

All pupils will be involved in guided reading sessions each week. We will focus upon developing fluency of reading and the use of expression.

Maths

In maths, we will be incorporating missed learning alongside the Year 3 units. Our number work will focus on place value, partitioning and ordering numbers. We will add and subtract numbers moving towards formal written methods. Over the term children will learn about 2D shapes and learn to draw them accurately. The children need to be secure with their recall of the 2, 5, 10, 3 and 4 times tables. Please help your child to recall these number facts. They will be tested every other week on their multiplications in Maths Magician time. Children will have a written arithmetic test every Friday morning.

Science

As part of a recovery curriculum, children will spend the first few weeks covering the Year 2 topic of Materials followed by the Year 3 topic Animals Including Humans. In science, there will be opportunities for extended writing where children can develop their writing skills across the curriculum.

Creative Curriculum – Tales from a Tribe.

This term we will be studying life in The Stone Age. We will learn about life in The Stone Age, looking at food, homes and tools. Continuing our Stone Age theme, in D&T, we will be dyeing fabric using natural sources and learn how to use a simple running stitch. In Art we will look at cave paintings.



PE

Children take part in PE twice a week – Monday and Thursday. At the present time all PE will be outdoors, so your child will be required to wear suitable outdoor PE kit consisting of a school PE Tshirt, joggers, fleece/sweater and trainers (all clearly named please.) Children need to come to school dressed in their PE clothes. Children should not wear earrings on PE days. If they do come to school in earrings please provide your child with something to cover them during PE.

Outdoor PE will be focusing on 'Fitness for Health' and Football skills.

Music

Our music sessions this term are linked into our Stone Age topic and involve following and creating a rhythm.

ICT

Children will learn how to use search engines safely and effectively to research a variety of topics relating to The Stone Age. They will learn to collect and present data.

RE

This term we will be looking at Christianity and what people believe about God.

Homework

All children are expected to read as often as possible, preferably for at least ten minutes every night. Please make a record of their reading in their reading record and sign it in order for your child to change their book. Reading books and records should come into school when a child is ready to change their book- once during the week.

Further information about spellings and homework to follow.

Other information

PE: Monday and Thursdays- children to come to school dressed in PE kits.

Named drink bottle containing water only.

Children are allowed to bring a piece of fruit for break times.

We look forward to a happy and enjoyable term!

Year 3 Team

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Mrs Wong (3W Class Teacher)

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