

Woodcote Primary School

Hawthorn Class Curriculum Fact Sheet

Autumn 2016



Welcome back; we hope you have had a **wonderful** summer break.

This gives you information about some of the work your children will be involved in during this term. It would be very difficult to detail all areas of learning so we have included those topics which we feel are the most relevant and those in which you could support your child's learning.

<p>English</p> 	<p>In English, the children will build on their writing skills by developing an understanding of nouns and adjectives to add detail to descriptions with a focus on traditional tales and stories. Children will recap and build on their phonic knowledge daily to help them read and write unfamiliar words with accuracy. Children will begin to look at a wider use of punctuation and grammar to help vary their sentence writing and spelling tests will continue to take place on Fridays.</p> <p>The children will read with an adult at least once a week in school and take part in guided reading groups. Please continue to read at home with your child and record this in their reading diary, to increase their fluency and understanding of texts.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>In maths this half term the children will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - read and write numbers to 100 in numerals and words. - use the symbols < (Less than), > (Greater than) and = (Equal to) to compare numbers. - recognise place value in a 2-digit number: such as 24 has 2 '10s' and 4 '1s'. - begin to use a ruler to measure in standard units (cm / m). - describe properties of 2D shapes and begin to recognise lines of symmetry. - use £ and p correctly when solving problems practically as well as combine different amounts of money. <p>Over the term children will continuously develop their mental strategies. It would be helpful if you could practise number bonds to 10 and 20, adding and subtracting and simple multiplying by 2, 5 and 10 with your child at home. This should reinforce learning from last year and help develop their confidence.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>This term the children will be learning about materials and how they can change. Children will consider the difference between man-made materials and natural materials and will be able to identify and discuss the properties of a variety of everyday materials (wood, plastic, glass, metal, etc.). Children will also perform simple experiments to explore how materials can be changed (melting, freezing, etc.).</p> <p>Throughout this term children will also be observing the seasonal changes as Autumn sets in, before giving way to Winter. Children will consider the effects of the weather as well as what happens to the length of the day.</p>
<p>Topic (All foundation)</p> 	<p>Our Autumn term topic is 'Treasure' and we are excited to get stuck in! The children will start by learning all about life as a pirate, including life on board a pirate ship. They will learn about famous pirates in the past and use a map to locate some islands visited by pirates. Using their design and technology skills, the children will make their own treasure box to fill with golden treasure! We will also have a go at some paintings of the sea using the artist Hokusai as inspiration. Our final theme will be the Royal Navy and the job they do today to keep our seas safe. Ooh arrr... we'll have so much fun this term!</p>

Please ensure that your child has a full, named PE kit in school at all times, which includes items suitable for indoor and outdoor sessions. We hope the weather allows us to be outside for PE as much as possible this half term! Our PE sessions will be on Mondays and Fridays. Your child also needs their reading book and reading record in school every day. If you have any other questions about year 2, please do come and ask.

Thank you for your support!

Mr Statham and Miss Dennis