

Woodcote Primary School

Hawthorn Class Curriculum Fact Sheet

Autumn 2017



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, children will explore various non-fiction texts in order to become familiar with the features of these different texts, particularly exploring the appropriate use of captions and labels. Children will also produce their own diary extracts and recount texts. Children will build on their phonic knowledge daily to help them read and write unfamiliar words with accuracy. Children will also begin to look at a wider use of punctuation and grammar to help vary their sentences writing and a weekly spelling test will take place on Friday. 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.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>In maths this 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 investigating animals, including humans. They will explore healthy eating and the human senses before examining the life cycles of various animals, considering how they grow and develop as well as their environmental requirements.</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>This Autumn term topic is <i>London's Burning</i> and the children will be exploring the history of the Great Fire of London as well as some famous historical figures such as Samuel Pepys. Children will also become more familiar with the geographical features of the UK using maps and identifying some of the cities, with a particularly focus on the capital. Children will also develop their art and design skills by creating 'fire' art using different media and designing silhouette images of a cityscape. Children will also get the chance to design and build a model of new houses to be built in London following the fire, using their understanding of appropriate materials.</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 term! Our PE sessions will be on **Tuesdays** 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, Miss Dennis, Miss Barnett and Mrs Statham