

Woodstone Community Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back and a very Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas. Thank you from all of the team for all of our cards, gifts and well-wishes – it is very much appreciated. We are really looking forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting and busy term! Our topic for this half term is 'Let's Share a Story' where we will explore lots of different traditional tales as well as learning about the story of 'The Great Race' during our Lunar New Year celebrations. After half term we will be learning all about the continent of Africa with our 'Rumble in the Jungle' topic. Have a look at our curriculum map under the 'classes' tab on the website to see some of the things we will be learning about this half term.

As you will be aware there are a few staffing changes across the school this term and we are excited to welcome Mrs Sainsbury into our Reception team. Mrs Sainsbury joins us from Year 3 and will be working full time in our class. She is really looking forward to getting to know all the children and classroom routines.

On Monday 3rd February we will be holding our first 'Share a Story' session where we invite parents to stay for half an hour at the beginning of the school day and share a story with their child (one parent per child please). The session will finish by 9.30am. It would be great if you are able to join us, however please don't worry if not as we will be holding more of these events throughout the year.

A few reminders for this term:

- As we continue with our Phonics programme it is really important that children are practising their sound cards regularly and reading at least 5 times per week. Please remember to record this in your child's reading diary. Children are rewarded for their efforts in our weekly Reading raffle and in Golden Book assemblies.
- Our Library sessions will continue on Fridays please ensure your child has their library book in school
 on this day.
- Forest School sessions will continue on Thursday afternoons. Please ensure your child has plenty of layers, a hat, gloves and spare socks in their kit whilst the weather is cold.
- Remember to check the 'class news' page of the website as we regularly update this with photos of some of the things we have been doing in class.

As always, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

Kind regards

Miss Clement & Mrs Leaney Reception Class Teachers





















