



Woodstone Community Primary School

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Maple Class Autumn 1 Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

We would like to offer a warm welcome back to school and we hope you had a restful summer break. We are excited to start what we hope will be a fantastic new academic year with your child(ren)! Miss Armston will be teaching in Maple Class this year, supported by Miss Davies and Mrs Moore.

Welcome Meeting

Please come along to our Meet the Teacher/Welcome meeting on **Thursday 3rd September at 5pm**. This will last approximately half an hour. If you can make arrangements to come without your child that will help the meeting go smoothly. If you have no other child care then they are, of course, welcome to come and sit with you.

Reminders for returning to school

The children will need to bring their book bag and a named water bottle to school every day. As we approach the wetter, colder weather, please also ensure you check the forecast and send them with a named coat accordingly. They will also need a pair of named wellies to keep in school. Please bring these in as soon as possible so that we are ready for any outdoor learning. The school kitchen will be serving a choice of hot meal options at lunchtime which will be available free of charge for children in Key Stage 1 as part of the Universal Free School Meals Scheme. Children can also bring a packed lunch from home if they wish.

P.E.

This half term we will be focussing on Ball Skills and Sending & Receiving in PE. These lessons will be on **Mondays** and **Thursdays** in Autumn 1. Children will need their indoor and outdoor PE kit for these lessons and kits should stay in school all week, in case of any possible timetable changes. This includes –

Outdoor P.E. Kit: trainers suitable for the playground and field, blue or black tracksuit bottoms, blue or white t-shirt, blue or black sweatshirt (school hoodies are available to order)

Indoor P.E. Kit: pumps, blue or white t-shirt, blue shorts. **No jewellery** will be allowed to be worn for P.E – any child with earrings will need to have these removed at home on days when P.E. will take place.

Please also ensure all kit is labelled with their name!

Forest School

Forest School sessions for Year 2 this year will take place during Autumn 2 and Spring 2. Please look out for further information as we get closer to October half term. Please ensure wellies are still sent into and kept at school for any outdoor learning. Please ensure these are named.

Homework

Each Friday your child will bring home one piece of homework in their homework book (usually maths). This is to be completed and returned to school by the following Friday, which we will mark together in class. Dojos will be awarded for completed homework.

Children are also required to read at least 5 times per week. We also strongly suggest you read to your children too as this is so beneficial to them. Please ensure any reading at home is recorded in your child's reading diary. Children who have read 5 or more times each week at home will receive 3 Dojo points at the end of the week, which will go towards their Dojo milestone certificates. Please also continue to regularly practise spellings and phonics at home.

Library

Our class library sessions will be on Monday mornings this half term. Your child will have the opportunity to choose a new library book as part of this session. These books have a clear barcode on the inside of the front cover. Please ensure children have their library book in their book bag every Monday so they can either be 'renewed' if they wish to keep the book a little longer, or 'returned' if they wish to borrow a new book.

Sherwood Forest

As you may already know, every year, children in Year 2 have a short residential to Sherwood Forest. We did our first visit way back in 2006 and Year 2 children have been every year since (except during COVID). We have already got the dates in for this year's class – Thursday 17th and Friday 18th June 2027. We will be holding a parent meeting for parents on **Thursday 17th September at 5:30pm**

Curriculum

Please take a look at our class 'Curriculum Overview' with information on what the children will be learning this half term. This can be found on the school website, under Maple Class.

Please also regularly check the school website for updates.

The contact email for Year 2 is year2@woodstone.leics.sch.uk - please feel free to email us with any questions or concerns you may have.

As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,
Miss Armston and the Year 2 Team