

ELM CLASS



Autumn 1 and 2 Newsletter 2019

Welcome to Year 4 everyone; I am really looking forward to getting to know both pupils and their families. I hope everyone has had a good rest and is bursting with energy for the new school year! Just how successful were your seeds? I have a few that are looking promising incase spares are required.

Our topic focus for the first term will be Science – focusing upon sound, electricity and changes of state. The children will learn about how we hear sound, how to create a basic electric circuit and design their very own experiments following our trip to ‘We The Curious,’ Bristol, on September 26th. After half term our emphasis will move towards healthy eating, hopefully we will be sampling our home-grown produce; considering what it really means to have a balanced diet, whilst still enjoying what we eat.

In Art work, we will be designing and making our own instruments and assessing what kind of food packaging entices us to purchase. In RE, Elm Class will be demonstrating how prayer is celebrated in the Islamic Faith during RE day and learning about ‘People of God’ in our celebration of Christianity.

Our PE days will normally be Monday and Tuesday this term, including the opportunity to learn to fence; this should be an amazing opportunity, I hope that I am allowed to join in! In addition, Elm class will also be improving their football skills in anticipation of the upcoming festival. As we move from skills to games, it will be useful for the children to have shin pads and trainers are the best choice for outdoor football.

In our English work, we will be looking at scene setting narrative, diary writing, poetry and letter writing. As we endeavor to apply all of our year group expectations to each piece of writing, I look forward to sharing examples of your child’s work with you. Spelling lessons will continue to be on Mondays and grouped across the Key Stage. In addition, Elm Class will also have class spellings from the Year Group expectations.

In Maths, we’ll be busy working on number and place value, the four calculation areas, telling the time and 2D shapes. Throughout these areas we will be improving our reasoning and problem solving skills and challenging our working knowledge of the mathematical topics that were covered in Year 3.

Homework

Reading 5 times a week.
Pupils to record pages read, parent to sign weekly.

Topic-based project

Separate information is forthcoming.

Spelling Homework

Given each Monday,
practice 5 times per week.
Weekly test.

Times tables

Choice of weekly activities

USEFUL DATES -Term 1

5.09.19 - RE Day.

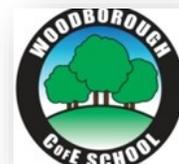
6.09.19 - 9.15 am RE assembly for parents

27.09.19 - Harvest Festival 9.15 am

30.09.19 Global Week

14.10.19 Individual photos

15.10 and 17.10 Parents’ Evenings



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Times Table Rock Stars at home helps to improve knowledge and fluency with Times Tables; this has a direct impact on attainment across all areas of the Maths curriculum. Please encourage your child to log on regularly

Parents' Evenings are scheduled for later in Term 1 but if you have any concerns before then, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Looking ahead to fun, challenge, achievement and awareness and appreciation of all of our community - make sure you check your Seesaw account regularly, we will be sharing as often as we can.

Kind regards,

Mrs Baker and Mrs Moore Bethel

USEFUL DATES -

Term 2

4.11.19 term starts

11.11.19 11.00am

Remembrance Service

27.11.19 6.00pm

Christingle Service

12.12.19 6.00pm

Carol Service. St Mary

Magdelene Church

**17.12.19 Christmas
lunch**

**18.12.19 Christmas
parties**

19.12.19 Panto

**20.12.19 12.15pm end
of term**
