



# Woodstone Community Primary School

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*Growing together, Learning forever*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to wish you all a happy and healthy new year! We are hoping for an exciting 2022 for both your child, their classmates and all of us involved! I am pleased to let you know that our creative curriculum topic for the Spring Term will be '**Blood Heart**' (please look at our website to see a copy of the topic web). Through our lessons, we will be developing the children's skills in the following subjects and topics:

- English – we will be using our topic and other texts as inspiration to write a variety of genres including: character descriptions, non-chronological reports, balanced arguments and narratives. We will also be focusing on different spelling, grammar and punctuation skills discretely which the children will be encouraged to apply to their writing.
- Whole Class Reading- the children will be introduced to a different text type each week and will focus on different reading skills (VIPERS) to answer questions about it.
- Maths – this term we will be working on: fractions, decimals and percentages. We will continue to develop our arithmetic skills through discrete teaching on a daily basis.
- Science – the science topics we will be covering this term will be Animals including humans.
- Computing – this term we will be looking at understanding text adventures and blogging with Mrs Edwards.
- PE – our focus will be football and gymnastics. PE kits must be in school on Tuesdays and Fridays.
- History- this term we will be learning about the Victorians.
- Geography- we will be studying 'Raging Rivers'.
- Music – we will be exploring rhythm.
- PSHE – We will be learning all about healthier and safer lifestyle choices.
- R.E. – We will be learning about the topics 'What difference does it make to believe in ahimsa, grace and/ or Ummah?'
- French – we will be starting with the topic 'This is France!' where we will learn some new useful French phrases, like discussing the weather and seasons.

As mentioned above, children will be participating in PE lessons on Tuesdays and Fridays. Full PE kits must be in school for these sessions. Full kits are listed below.

Outdoor: trainers suitable for playground and field, tracksuit bottoms, blue or white t-shirt, sweatshirt.

Indoor: pumps, a blue or white t-shirt (preferably a Woodstone PE t-shirt) and blue or black shorts.



**Jewellery, including earrings, cannot be worn for any PE/swimming lessons and if possible should be removed before the children come to school.**

### Homework

Children must read AT LEAST 3 x 20 mins sessions each week. However, we are aiming for the children to read at least 5 x per week for 20 minutes a time.

We will also be setting Times Table Rock Stars homework each week for the children to complete. This will be 20 minutes over the week. Homework will be set on a Friday and checked the following Friday. If children do not complete the homework, then Dojo Points will be lost which in turn can affect their Golden Time.

Children will also receive SATs revision which they will complete for homework.

Your child is encouraged to bring a water bottle to school with them which they can fill up throughout the day. You can also provide them with a snack for break time or a small amount of money for tuck shop.

Both of us are very excited to continue this journey in Year 6 with your child. Miss Daley will teach on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Miss James a Thursday and Friday. Mrs Hooton will be working in class with the children every morning throughout the year and some afternoons. Mrs Hickin will also be supporting the class during the week.

Year 6 is obviously a very important year, and perhaps even more so now after the last couple of years due to the pandemic. Our first priority is always to ensure your child is safe, happy and settled at school; if you have any concerns about your child feeling anxious or concerned please do come and let us know! We will be working hard to prepare the children for SATs and will expect your children to put hard work in too. We continue to aim to make this year an exciting and memorable final year at primary school for your child so will plan lots of different activities for them to take part in. If there are ever any issues you would like to discuss with either of us regarding your child, either now or at any point, please don't hesitate to come in or to contact us via the office or through our class email [year6@woodstone.leics.sch.uk](mailto:year6@woodstone.leics.sch.uk)

Kind regards,

Miss Daley & Miss James

Year 6 Teachers

