



## Year 2 Class Newsletter Spring 2



### Welcome Back!

I hope you have had a lovely break and the children have recharged their batteries! Our topic this half term is '**Bounce**'. Please check out our topic web on the school website to find out what we will be learning over the next few weeks.

As always, please do not hesitate to come and see me either before or after school or leave a telephone message with the office for me to give you a call back should you have any questions or queries. Alternatively, you can email me using our class email address '[year2@woodstone.leics.sch.uk](mailto:year2@woodstone.leics.sch.uk)' and I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

### Forest Schools

Our Forest School sessions will continue to be on a **Monday** afternoon. Please provide appropriate clothing for children to change into on these days. Wellington boots or walking shoes are ideal and can be kept in our outdoor area. You may wish to provide your child with waterproof trousers along with their waterproof coat as we aim to go outside in all weathers. **Our sessions will begin next Monday (28.02.22).**

### PE

This term we will be focussing on **Games** in PE. These lessons will now be on a **Tuesday** afternoon. Children will need both their **indoor and outdoor PE kits** for these lessons: black pumps, trainers, black or navy shorts/leggings, black or navy jogging bottoms and a navy or white t-shirt. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled and long hair is tied back. Children will need to remove their earrings for the lesson - we cannot assist with this.

### Reading

Reading has a huge impact on children's development therefore, we ask parents to read with their children five times per week in order for them to reap the full benefits. Children will receive a sticker and be entered into our weekly reading raffle for reading **5 times for around 10-15 minutes per week**. If children read less than 3 times a week, we will give them the opportunity to complete some reading during their golden time on a Friday afternoon. To help children gain a better understanding of what they are reading, please use the VIPERS (vocabulary, inference, prediction, explain and retrieval and sequence) question stems to ask children questions about what they have read. You will find a Reading Canine Bookmark in your child's reading diary which contain lots of example questions. You can read more about the Reading Canines on our school website under the 'Year 2 resources' tab on our class page.

### Library

Our class library session will continue to be on a **Tuesday** morning. Your child will have the opportunity to choose a new library book every other week as part of this session. Please ensure they have their library book in their book bags every Tuesday should they wish to borrow a new book. Children are welcome to return their books early by placing them in the red book box in our classroom.

### Homework

Homework will continue to be set every **Friday** and due in the following **Wednesday**. This will include one piece of maths homework which will be stuck into your child's homework book and 10 minutes of times tables games using the TTRS programme. In addition to this, individual spellings are written in children's reading diaries. Children are encouraged to practise spelling these words (using their chosen method) on a separate piece of paper at home.