



Welcome back to a new school year!

Woodpecker News - September 2016

It's good to be back after our summer break and I am very excited about teaching the children in Woodpecker Class. The Year 3 pupils and I had an enjoyable transition day at the end of last term and I was really impressed at their enthusiasm for learning. I am also looking forward to working with Miss Catt, a student teacher who will be based in Woodpecker Class for this year, Mrs Miles our LSA and Miss Walters our 1:1 LSA.

I am hoping this will be an enjoyable year for you and your children. Please feel free to come and see me if you have any worries at all.

Mrs McFadden.

We will be very grateful for any help you can give the children with their learning.

Homework this term will be sent home on Fridays and completed work must be returned on Wednesdays.

Spellings for the whole term are being sent home with this letter and will also be put on the school website. These words will be an important part of your children's learning throughout the term.

Our times tables for this term are the 2x, 5x and 10x tables. We will be having regular practices and weekly challenges based on these times tables.

Our topic for this term is 'The Tudors'. The children will be learning about famous historical figures, events and customs from this period, and the impact they had on the local area. We are planning to invite parents to join us in a Tudor banquet towards the end of the term (7.10.16)

We will begin the term, however, with a focus on Roald Dahl and his literature as part of our Roald Dahl Day celebrations. We will finish the term with a whole school Black History Week celebration.

In Maths we will be focusing on 'Place Value' and our Science topic will be 'Scientific Thinking'.

Woodpecker Class PE lessons will be on a Monday and Thursday (swimming) this term. All children should have a school PE Kit and bag. PE kits and bags should be brought to school on the first day of each term and left at school for the whole term. PE will be taught by our sports teacher, Mrs Palmer and she has asked that children have trainers for PE NOT plimsolls. Can you please make sure all uniform and PE kit is labelled with your child's name. We cannot return uniform that is not named.