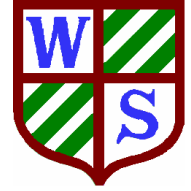


Woodside Primary School

Class News - January 2017



Room 3

The pupils have returned to 2017 ready to start and have had a very good beginning to Term 3.

We have had our first gym time with our Specialist Mrs Whyte and everyone tried their best to bring back their gym shoes and shorts. They will be needed on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The children will still see Mrs Tait for RME on Mondays and have met Mrs Lawman who will be teaching Science on Tuesdays.

The children have also been busy trying to plant bulbs and we hope to finish this with the help of our Volunteer gardeners Stewart and Dale. In Spring we will re build our class garden too!

Literacy

This term the children will not have new sounds to learn. We will be consolidating all of the sounds [phonics work] but also blending them together to help your child read and write words. We will continue to focus on rhyme and will also practise core words which are 'tricky' like **the** and **my** as they need to be remembered rather than sounded out. We will also look at alphabetical order and capitals. We will continue to give a new reading and a new shared book each week.

On Tuesdays the children will work in small groups with a mix of children from different rooms to concentrate on the important building steps of sounds or '*phonemes*' to help them build their skills. Your child may work with another teacher or PSA or one of our Voluntary assistants.

Topic Work

Our school topic for these first 3 weeks is Scotland so your child can also try learning one of the poems in their book bag. You may also be able to help by finding out about Scottish things and places you know as a family or looking at old photos as we will be exploring famous Scots from the past and finding out about the other Countries our class friends are from.

Homework

You can help your child by looking back over all the sounds or we will put a wee note in the homework jotter to let you know if there is something special to practise. You will already have a maths booklet. Thank you for helping your child with these tasks.

Thank you for all your support, there will be an opportunity to join us at a Primary 1 activity in a few weeks time when we will be learning about the 'Grow well farm' our Health and Wellbeing topic.

Miss Bruce and Mrs Ritchie