



Woolenwick Junior School

Year 6 Newsletter: Spring 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you and your family have had an enjoyable holiday and that your child is ready and refreshed for learning, looking forward to the term ahead.

Each class has chosen a class book to read and our class texts are Goodnight Mr Tom by Michael Magorian. Where possible we will encompass different areas of our curriculum and link it to our book. Overleaf, you will see the subjects the pupils will be learning about and how you can help your child at home, as this is all part of working together and developing their learning experiences.

Staff Working With Your Child

These are the following teachers and other adults who will be working with your child:

Teachers	Other Adults
Mr Mark Borland Mrs Karen Jones Mrs Mary King	Mrs Sue Smith (HLTA) Mrs Jo Hammocks (TA) Mrs Jessica Kuffour (HLTA)

Reminders

As always, excellent attendance and punctuality is essential to maintain good progress.

PE lessons are on **Monday** afternoons. Please ensure that your child has a suitable kit (refer to the uniform expectations) and that it is brought in at the start of each half-term ready for the lessons.

Uniform - please ensure that your son/daughter is in full school uniform at all times. We ask that all items of uniform are clearly labelled so that if items get lost they can be easily returned.

Water bottle - all children must have a labelled water bottled, filled up from home each morning, that is brought to school. This should only have water in it, although fresh fruit and ice is permitted. Please note that squash/cordials are not allowed.

Home Learning

Reading - Children are encouraged to read every day, but are expected to read a minimum of at least five times a week, for fifteen minutes, and record this in their reading log. Reading books and logs need to be in school every day.

Spellings - Spellings will be sent home each week on a Monday and these need to be practised at least three times a week at home. Children will need to learn rules and spelling patterns and these will be tested the following Monday. Grammar activities may also be sent home.

Times Tables - Twenty games will be set each week on Times Table Rockstars. If you do not have access to a computer or other technology please let me know and the sheets can be sent home instead.

Homework

Children will be expected to read a minimum of 5 times per week, complete up to 10 games of times table rockstars per week and complete the spelling sheet and attached game (these sheets will be given out on a Monday to be handed in the following Monday). As well as this there will also be activities set regularly from the revision booklets.

Marvellous Me – App.

Already have a MarvellousMe Parent account?

Check you have installed the latest version of the MarvellousMe Parent app, and are logged in. You can reset your password, and add children by tapping 'Add Child'.

New to the school?

If your son/daughter was new to the school this year you will be sent a letter explaining how to create a MarvellousMe account. Marvellous Me is a light-touch app that our teachers will use to share wonderful news with you about your child's/children's learning and skills development.

The MarvellousMe Parent app is free, fun and simple to use. It will help you to:

- Have a meaningful conversation with your child about their school day.
- Continue your child's learning and practice topics that they've done in class.
- Celebrate and reinforce their successes and positive behaviours.

You can find out more at www.marvellousme.com. We think you will love it!

Clubs

Lunchtime clubs will continue as last term. If your child already participates in an after school club these will start next week, 14th January.

Year 6 after school learning booster classes for English and Maths to support the children in the lead up to their SATs will be continuing this term.

Dates for Your Diary

These can be found in the School Newsletter out next week, however, you may wish to note:

- 12th February: Year 6 Enterprise Challenge Day
- 4th March: Year 6 Learning Experience

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to know more information about this term's learning and how to support your child please feel free to speak to us at the end of the day, where we are more than happy to help.

We look forward to working with you and thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Karen Jones & Mr Mark Borland

Year 6 Class Teachers