



Woolenwick Junior School

Year 4 Newsletter: Summer 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.

The book we have chosen to explore as a Year group this term is 'Dragon's Child' by Jenny Nimmo. We are also looking at other texts alongside this book such as a picture book called 'Tuesday'. 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	Support Staff
Mrs Tasleem Koser – Jet class Miss Joanne Marshall – Coral class Ms Clare Drummey – Coral class	Mrs Paula Batten (TA) Miss Gaby Albanese (TA) Mrs Jessica Kuffour (HLTA)

Reminders

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

PE lessons are on **Tuesday** afternoons for **Coral class** and **Wednesday** afternoons for **Jet class**. 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 will be expected to read a minimum of 5 times per week and record this in their reading log. Reading books and logs need to be in school every day.

Spellings – These will be sent home each week on a Monday and need to be practised at least three times a week at home, and the sheet/game returned the following Monday. Children will need to learn rules and spelling patterns and these will be tested on the Monday after they were given. Grammar activities may also be sent home.

Maths - Complete up to 10 games of Times Table Rockstars per week. If you do not have access to a computer or other technology, please let me know and the sheets can be sent home instead. Please encourage your child to use this as much as possible as evidence suggests that this improves pupil progress.

Learning Activity - This will be based around one of the topics children are learning. The activity will be sent out at the beginning of the half-term, to be completed before the end of the half-term. More information on the activity will follow very shortly.

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 with three options: Music and song writing, Football for girls and Multi-sports (Dodge ball and bench ball). There is a limited capacity for these and children have already opted for what they would like to be engaged in.

Dates for Your Diary

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

- 8th May – Class Photographs
- 11th July - Move Up day
- 18th July – Last day of term, 1.30pm finish

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.

Miss J Marshall, Ms C Drummey and Mrs T Koser

Year 4 Class Teachers