3.9.2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

 Welcome back to you all! We had a wonderful day yesterday and all the children have settled back into school life really well. ☺

We have a few pieces of information to share with you:

* Class 2 are now called the Woodpeckers!
* Miss Wills teaches Monday to Wednesday before break.
* Mrs Sim teaches after break on a Wednesday, then all day Thursday and Friday.
* Mrs Henry is our teaching assistant again this year. She works Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. She will be in Woodpeckers in the mornings.
* We also have Mrs Lyons on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

**Reading**

* Please read with your child regularly (daily if possible). It makes a significant difference and it is critical to allow your child to access other curriculum areas.
* We will hear your child read as often as we can. Your child will have a book sent home on a regular basis. When it has been read at home, your child will need to bring it back to school so we can provide them with another one. We will then quarantine their book for 72 hours before putting it back on the shelf for another child to use.
* We will be sending you a ‘home’ reading record. This will be for you to fill in and help you keep a record of their reading journey for yourselves and your child. Please don’t let your child bring their reading record book into school. We will keep our own records of the books your child has read both at home and in school.

**Spellings**

* We will be giving the children new spellings every Wednesday. Next Wednesday (9.9.20) we will give them a spelling book with their first week’s spelling list inside. From then on, each Wednesday we will give them a new list of spellings for them to take home to stick in/ staple in/ write in their spelling books. Please keep your spelling books at home. Spelling tests will be each Wednesday so they will have a week to learn them.

**Forest School Friday!**

* Forest School starts back on Friday 11th September.
* On a Friday, your child needs to wear their Forest School clothes to school along with their school shoes. They will also need to bring, in a small bag, their waterproof coat & trousers, a jumper, socks, gloves, hat and wellies/walking boots. Their bag needs to be small enough to fit inside their locker.
* Please help your child to remember that Friday is Forest School Friday. Your child **must** have all the Forest School clothes on this day in order to participate. With Covid restrictions, we would be unable to mix your child with another bubble.

**P.E.**

* Woodpeckers have P.E. on a Monday and need to come into school in their P.E. kits. They don’t need to have their school uniform on these days but may need a sports jumper and tracksuit if it is cold. They will be taking part in P.E. outside as much as they can.

**Violins**

* Violins will take part on a Thursday afternoon from the 24th September. The children will have their lesson in their year groups following recent Government guidance.

We look forward to working with your child and yourselves this year. If you have any queries, please ring the school or email us on the following email address: class2@westbury-on-severncofe.gloucs.sch.uk

Kind regards,

Mrs Sim, Miss Wills, Mrs Henry and Mrs Lyons