

# Wootton St. Peters C of E Primary School

Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built.

Our Vision: Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built. We explore the values of perseverance, compassion and courage to open up horizons of hope and aspiration.

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## **Upcoming Dates**

Monday 19th Sep- Friday 23rd: Music Flood Week. Thursday 13th October: Individual school photographs. Thursday 20th October: Fows Spooky Autumn Disco. Friday 21st October: Inset day: (School closed to students).

Monday 24th Oct-Friday 28th: Half term (School closed). Monday 31st Oct: Return to school (whole school). Wednesday 9th Nov: Drama workshop- Yr1-Yr6. Monday 14th Nov: Flu immunisations Reception- Yr6. Tuesday 20th Dec: Last day of term. NO ASC. Wednesday 4th Jan: Inset day (School closed to students).

Thursday 5th Jan: Return to school (Whole school).

# Dear parents and carers,

This morning in Collective Worship, led by Rev Stephen Coe, we marked the sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. We reflected on her life and how she has served the country with such a sense of duty and how her faith has supported her through her time as Queen. Children form Moonstone wrote prayers and poems to mark this sad occasion. Here is one of them:

Our Queen,
Loved wearing green,
Never wore grey,
Full of strength till her final resting day,
Always remembered in our heart,
Riding in her golden horse drawn cart,
Ever since her coronation
She has spread joy and love through the nation

By Toby.

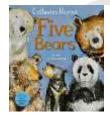
Welcome back and for some of you welcome to Wootton St Peter's. Your children have started the school year with smiles on their faces and have already impressed all of us with their excellent behaviour and attitude to their learning. The new children have settled in brilliantly and all seem cheerful, confident and definitely ready to learn. We have discussed the Wootton Hi 5 Promise, this helps the school be a calm, hardworking school environment. Please do talk about this with your children, hopefully they will be able to tell you all about it.



- 1. We are polite and respectful
- 2. We use indoor voices
- 3. We listen to each other
- 4. We move around school appropriately
- 5. We treat others how we would like to be treated



We have also discussed our school values and Christian vision and that we use the values of Perseverance, Compassion and Courage to help us learn and to strive for excellence. This will enable our children to become the rocks upon which a better world can built. I am pleased to report that I have seen the whole school community displaying these values every day.



#### **Five Bears**

For the first two weeks of this term, the whole school are focussing their learning around the book Five Bears: A tale of friendship by Catherine Rayner. Children will be exploring themes such as what makes a good friend, how we celebrate differences and what we can do when we are stuck as well as using the book as a starting point for lots of creative writing. Little Gems will be counting bears, painting bear faces and hunting bear footprints around the environment. Opal will be describing and comparing the bears, making bear masks and going on a bear hunt on the field.

Jade have been learning about the different species of bears in the book and will be writing recounts in role as some of the characters.

Moonstone will also be reading The Dancing Bear by Michael Morpurgo and planning and writing their own preguels to the book

Please see the class topic maps to find out more about what and how your children will be learning this term.

## **Meetings for Parents**

We will be running meetings for you all to attend to give you an idea of how you can effectively support your child's learning at home. These will be led by your child's teachers and give you an opportunity to ask questions about phonics, maths and reading.

Opal class/Key stage 1 meeting: **Monday 19**<sup>th</sup>

September at 2:30 pm in the hall

Little Gems/EYFS meeting: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30 pm in the hall

Moonstone and Jade class/Key Stage 2 meeting

# **Curriculum updates**

## German

This year children in Jade and Moonstone classes will be leaning German and be taught by Miss Klepac. We are very fortunate to have a native German speaker in school and I am sure the children will really enjoy their learning.

# PE

Our PE curriculum delivery will be supported by coaches from WR Sports Ltd. They will be working alongside to help us deliver high quality PE sessions for the whole of this academic year. See your child's Curriculum Map for more details about what they will be learning this term.

#### Music

Our music offer has now been further strengthened by Glyn Rowlands who has started to teach children the piano and the guitar. If you would like to your child to learn either of these instruments and see if there is any availability, please contact Glyn at grcourses@hotmail.co.uk.

Welcome to our new SENCO Lina Sipson



Our new SENCO started this week. She will be at school every Thursday and I know that she has been in contact with some of you already. Lina is looking forward to working with the school community and is already proving to be a great asset to the school.

### We need your help

We are very much looking forward to speeding up library building project and we need to obtain quotes from carpenters/skilled people who would be able to build the shelving that has been designed. If you can help with this or know someone who might be able to help please contact the school office ASAP.



This year we will have a focus on making sure that our attendance is at least 95% for every child. Obviously if your child is too unwell to attend school they should stay at home but if they can come to school they should. Please avoid

taking your child on holiday during term time as I will not be able to authorise this absence.

# School Attendance Sep 6th-Sep 9th

Little Gems- 95.04%

**Opal-98.15%** 

Jade- 92.66%

Moonstone- 96.00%



# The School Shield

**Little Gems-** Robyn for always being a fantastic friend. Well done Robyn ☺

Opal – Sarah and Julia for settling in well into Opal class, for being good friends and for their great learning this week. Well done Sarah and Julia ☺

Jade – Jessica for her good listening and for following the class rules. Well done Jessica ☺

Moonstone- Hector for an amazing creative story. Well done Hector  $\textcircled{\ensuremath{$\odot$}}$ 

# This Week's ask me about????

Little Gems- The Five bears.

Opal - The Five bears.

Jade - The Five bears.

Moonstone - Roman Numerals.

# **Sunflowers**

If you have grown a sunflower over the summer, please bring or send your photos into school with measurements and prizes will be given out next week ©