

Meet the Teacher Lower Juniors September 2019

# Welcome!

Welcome to the Lower Junior meet the teacher session.

- You will have received the new parent pack and home school agreement via email.
- Please read through the home school agreement as instructed on the document.

#### The Lower Juniors



- Don't worry, the juniors has many similarities to the infants.
- But most importantly the fun will continue!

The Classes

#### Maple



# Mr Hall Mr Miles Miss Moutray Mrs Pearce



#### Rowan





# Miss Minchinton Mrs Davis-Lane

#### Cedar



# Mrs Jay Mrs Pegg Mrs Davis-Lane Mrs Pearce



#### Support Staff & Cover.

Mrs Blakely Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) Mrs Benham Pupil Premium Champion Mrs Wallace/Mr Miles German language and Computing for Y<sub>3</sub>/<sub>4</sub> Mr Clare PE Coach Mr Blakely Instrumental tuition for Y<sub>4</sub>

#### What is the same? – Curriculum.

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• Subjects. – The subjects covered:

English	German
Maths	Music
Science	Art / DT
<b>Topic</b> (History/Geography)	Computing
P.E	R.E /PSHE

• These subjects are delivered with a cross-curricular approach and our timetable always remains flexible.

# Knowledge organiser

#### HABITATS (Rainforests) – LKS2 – Knowledge Organiser



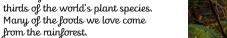
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<u>Topic Overview</u> We will be exploring the world's	Rainforest Amphibians	Rainforest Birds	Rainforest Fish	<u>Vocabulary</u> canopy layer - the uppermost branches of the trees in a forest, forming a virtually continuous layer of foliage
rainforests and asking the question of, why do rainforests lie near the equator? We will be focusing in on the Amazon rainforest, learning about the different layers, exploring the different plants and animals and	Poison Dart Frog Red Eyed Tree Frog White-Lipped Treefrog	Harpy Eagle King Vulture Lovely Fairywren Macaw Toucan	<u>Candiru</u> <u>Electric Eel</u> <u>Piranha</u> <u>South American</u> <u>Lungfish</u>	<ul> <li>rainforest - dense forest found typically in tropical areas with consistently heavy rainfall.</li> <li>forest floor - the ground beneath the trees of a forest, consisting o roots, soil, and rotting leaves</li> <li>understory layer - tangle of shrubs and young trees</li> <li>emergent layer - is the tallest layer of the rain forest</li> </ul>
comparing it to those in the UK.	Rainforest Insects	Rainforest Mammals	Rainforest Reptiles	habitat - the natural home or environment of an animal, plant
Deforestation is a major issue and we be investigating its global impact. We will be debating whether it is ever acceptable to cut down the rainforest's trees and how we can help minimize the impact of deforestation.	<u>Blue Morpho</u> <u>Butterfly</u> <u>Giraffe Weevil</u> <u>Goliath Beetle</u> <u>Leafcutter Ant</u> <u>Red Imported Fire</u>	<u>Anteater</u> <u>Aye-Aye</u> <u>Binturong</u> <u>Capybara</u> <u>Coati</u> <u>Jaguar</u>	Arrau Turtle Boa Constrictor Caiman Green Anaconda Green Iguana	jungle - a forest thick with trees, other plants, and animals Amazon - is a moist broadleaf forest that covers most of the Amazon Basin of South America. undergrowth - a dense growth of shrubs and other plants, especially under trees in woodland deforestation - the removal of a forest from land which is then converted to a non-forest use.
<b>Big Questions</b> What is deforestation and can we stop it? Are we too late to save the rainforests? What impact will the reduced rainforests have on our lives? Why should we care?	Ant	<u>Lemur</u> <u>Leopard</u> <u>Ocelot</u> <u>Orangutan</u> <u>Sloth</u> <u>Spider Monkey</u> <u>Vampire Bat</u>		Arctic South East Asian Rainforests North American Attantic Ocean Attantic Ocean Attantic Ocean Attantic
Important facts • About 30 million species of plants and animals live in the rain forest				Pacific Ocean Amazon South South Amazon

and animals live in the rain forest. The rainforests hold more than two-

> thirds of the world's plant species. Many of the foods we love come







Rainforest

South America

America

Congo River Basin

Rainforest

Tropical Rainforests of the world

Madagascar Rainforest

#### What is the same? – Uniform

- Clothing for Junior children is the same as for infants.
- Please see the uniform policy.
- Book bags (Please do not send your child in with a large bag, there just is not room in the cloakrooms for them.)



# What is the same? – P.E Kit.

 A <u>named</u> P.E kit must be in school at all times. It can be taken home at half term.

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- A full kit consists of:
  - A white T-Shirt.
  - Red shorts.
  - Sports Trainers (check they fit throughout the year!)
  - Sports Jumper.
  - Tracksuit bottoms (optional)
  - This is all on the uniform policy

If possible ear-rings should not be worn on P.E days. However, if newly pierced you will need to provide tape for the class teacher. Long hair must be tied back.

Other Jewellery.	
Donations of spare	kits?

# Lunch & Snacks.



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- The school will continue to use the existing catering company
- Meals will cost £2.05
- Orders must be in by midnight the day before.
- Fruit or vegetables can be brought in for a break time snack.
- Please bring in a <u>named</u> bottle of water for your child. This should be in addition to your child's lunchtime drink and should stay for the whole week to be brought home on a Friday.
- Packed lunches eat in the classroom when weather is wet and playground when warm and dry.
- School dinners eat in dining area.



# Timings

 Children can arrive between 8:40 – 8:50. If they arrive after 9:00 they should enter the school through the office.

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- Children who arrive after the registration period will be marked as late.
- Children are not to enter the school before 8:40 please.
- They are also not permitted to wait around on site before 8:40.
- On arrival at school the children are to go straight to class to begin their morning work.
- Lunch is at 12.15 1.15
- Home-time is 3.15pm with collection from the junior playground.

# Where your child enters the building in the morning.

 All children enter through the school by Aspen Class.



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# School day timings.

- Morning Break: 10:30- 10.50am
- Lunchtime: 12:15-1:15pm
- Home time: 3:15pm

Children are not permitted to walk home on their own in Lower Juniors.

When a parent/carer is late – the child will be taken to the office, the parent will be phoned and the child will then wait to be collected from the reception area. If your child is to be picked up by another parent on a regular basis, please let the school office know.

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As you can appreciate, your children's safety is of upmost importance so we do not let 'friends' take children home when a parent is late unless we have prior permission. Please inform the office or your class teacher if your child will be picked up by someone other than a parent or guardian.

#### Home Time. – 3:15pm

 Children are dismissed and are to be met in the Junior playground by carer.

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- It is appreciated if distance could be kept from the classrooms at the end of the day as this is a busy time of day and the children need to remain focused.
- Playground equipment is not to be used after school and children must walk their scooters or bikes across the playground when leaving the site.

# Reading in school...

Reading is as crucial in the juniors as it is in KS1.

 Different colour bands, children are listened to and put on to the most appropriate level for them.

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- Junior scheme, newly updated.
- Dojos for reading competition with themselves not others!
- Reading Worms (a comprehension style lesson) once a week

#### ...and reading at home

• We expect our children to read at home five times a week: develops fluency and understanding.

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- Even if your child is an independent/fluent reader, it is still crucial for them to have opportunities to read their school book to an adult and discuss the texts which they are reading.
- So...please take time to establish a reading routine at home.
- Home school diary:
  - Weekly pages: Reading log, messages
  - Front: key skills for your child's year group
  - Back: spelling list for LKS2, usernames/passwords,
  - Teacher will sign weekly.
- If a child does not complete their reading and have their diary signed they will have the opportunity to stay and read in a break time.

# Maths

- Work is always differentiated.
- Practical maths.
- Money is an excellent way to make maths relevant.
- Problem solving.
- Practise at home, e.g. cooking, shopping, telling the time.

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- Group work, playing with number.
- Computing Use of technology to motivate. Children particularly enjoy competitive challenge! – Sumdog, Times table Rockstars
- The Time Table Check is a Government Assessment in June 2020 which will test the children's knowledge of times tables.
- Work to achieve the Non Negotiables

# Maths

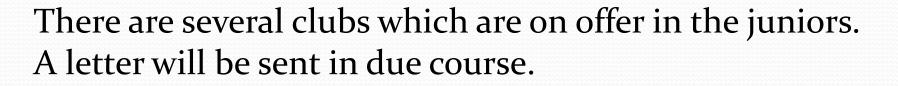
Times tables are an important part of maths education.

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- The expectation is that by the end of year 3 the children know the 3, 4 and 8 times tables, in addition to the 2, 5 and 10s from KS1.
- By June of year 4 the expectation is that they know their full set of times tables to 12 x 12.
- The learning of these times tables will be reflected in the home learning planned for your child.
- There will be testing that replicates the times table check throughout the year.

	Y1	<b>Y2</b>	_ Y3	Y4	Y5	¥6		
Aut 1	Counting in <b>2</b> s then <b>10</b> s	Counting in <b>2,5,10</b> up to 12x	<b>3x Table</b> X & ÷ facts	<b>3,4,8x Table</b> Count up in <b>6</b> s	Catch up for those who did not pass Test	All X Tables		
Aut 2	Counting in <b>2</b> s then <b>10</b> s	Learn tables <b>10</b> X & ÷ facts	<b>3x Table</b> Count in <b>4</b> s Investigate <b>8</b> s	Multiples of <b>6</b> – Any order Count up in <b>7</b> s	Catch up for those who did not pass Test	All X Tables		
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Spr 1	Counting in <b>5</b> s	Learn tables <b>2</b> X & ÷ facts	<b>3x Table</b> Multiples of <b>4</b> Multiples of <b>8</b>	6x Table 7x Table	All X Tables	All X Tables		
Spr 2	Counting in <b>5</b> s Revisit <b>2</b> s & <b>10</b> s	Learn tables <b>5</b> X & ÷ facts	Multiples of <b>4</b> Multiples of <b>8</b> Revisit <b>2,3,5,10</b>	7x Table Multiples of 9 & 11	All X Tables	All X Tables		
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#### Clubs



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Our clubs are very popular and often have a waiting list. We encourage children to attend all sessions. If children miss sessions without a valid reason on more than two occasions, you will be contacted and their place may be offered to another child. Please refer to the club rules in your parent packs.

#### Topics for 2019-2020 Cycle

RainforestsPre-historyGadgets & GizmosGadgets & GizmosGadgets & GizmosSport a W
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 <u>Volunteering</u> – If you are interested and able to come in and listen to some of our children read, we would love to hear from you – please contact the office.

#### Websites we use.

- Woodley C of E provides access to a range of technology and websites to support children's learning.
- Sumdog Maths tournaments, games, very good for supporting times table development
- PurpleMash Full set of learning tools, 2DIY is fantastic!
- Scratch Coding environment.
- Times Tables Rockstars
- MyMaths

# www.woodleyceprimary.co.uk



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# **The Lower Juniors**

- The children and their happiness is the most important thing to the staff at Woodley C of E.
- We endeavour to make learning active and enjoyable.
- Home learning is meant to develop independent skills not cause arguments.
- The teachers work as a team, discuss all of the children together and plan for the development of <u>all</u> children across the department.
- Confidence is key.
- We are always available to discuss any concerns, please use the home school diary or arrange an appointment through the office. After school is preferable.
- Members of staff are in the playground before school to take any important messages or answer day-to-day queries.

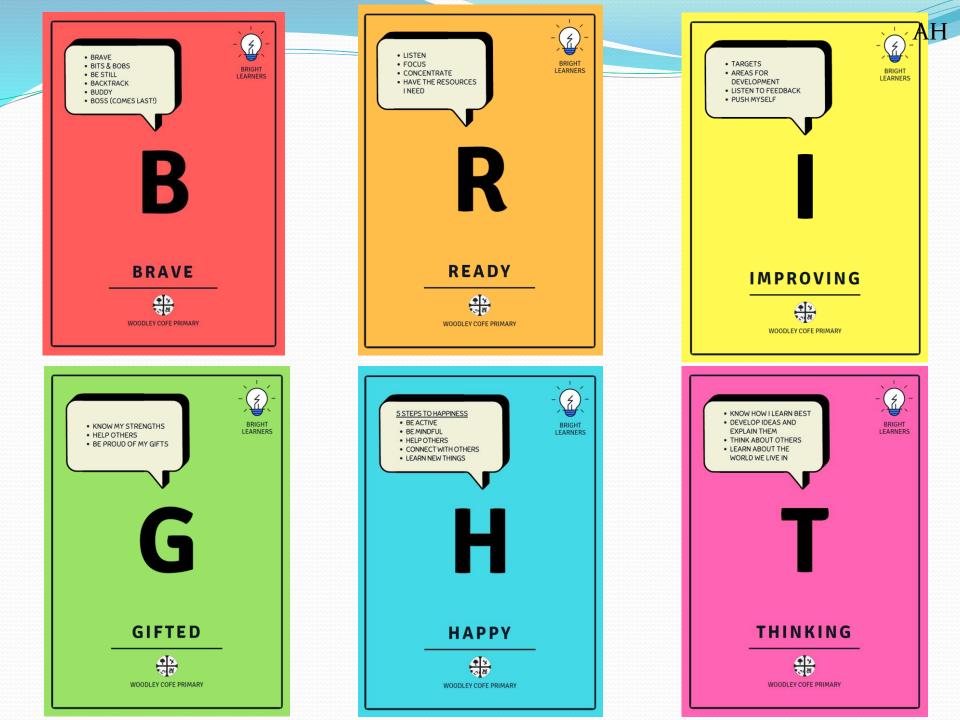
# The Lower Juniors – Home

#### Learning

 The home learning your child receives will include: 5 x a week reading to an adult; a short comprehension task; computer maths (MyMaths); spellings.

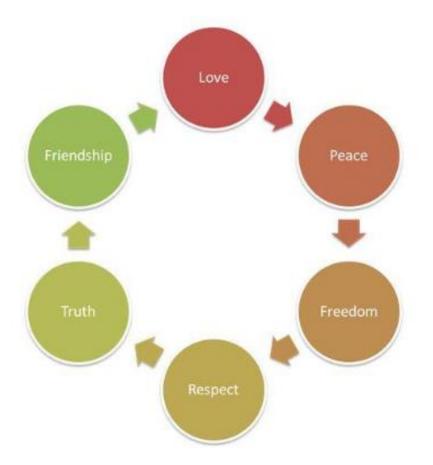
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- The homework will be given on a Thursday and should be returned by Tuesday the following week.
- If home learning is not complete the children will be required to complete it in school during break or lunch.
- Topic Home Learning will be allocated 2 weeks before half term and collected in 2 weeks after half term.
- Please see the Home Learning presentation, on the website, for more information.



# **Core Values**

#### Our cycle of Christian Core Values:



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# Thank you.

• Any questions?



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