

Badger Class Newsletter—Autumn 2024



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Hello all! Welcome (back) to Badger class! I hope you all had a lovely Summer despite the weather! The children have settled well back into school and they all (most!) seem happy to be back!

Homework / Spelling

Homework will be sent home each Friday and is expected back in school by the following Wednesday. Year 5 will have **either** Maths or English every week, whereas Year 6 will have **both** Maths and English each week. Most homework will be set via the children's Hwb accounts—log in details will be stuck into the front cover of their homework books. I am more than happy for the children to work directly in their homework books, rather than printing sheets off.

Spellings are given out on a Monday, following our **cold** test. The children will be expected to learn these at home using the menu of activities that will be sent home. Our **hot** test is on a Friday.

PE / Games

Badgers' PE / Games sessions will take place each Wednesday afternoon with Miss Tanner. I am happy for the children to come to school in their PE kit each week—shorts / navy joggers / school sweatshirt / white t-shirt / trainers. We are also lucky enough to have 5 theory and practical sessions with the Ospreys each Thursday, starting from 12th September, so the children will need to wear their PE kit on these days also.



Topic

Our whole school topic this term is all about storytelling, with a focus on Expressive Arts. Badgers will be looking at and writing 'twisted' traditional stories, in which characters behave differently to how they were originally written. We plan to create artwork based on our stories, as well as music that creates a mood. Our dance will be based on storytelling also. In Science we will be focusing on Space and Light and Sound.

Miss Tanner will be teaching Badgers on both a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons across this year.

Our Class Charter

In Badgers we will...

- ⇒ Always try our best to support each other,
- ⇒ Treat others as we want to be treated,
- ⇒ Treat each other with kindness and respect,
- ⇒ Respect the needs of everyone,
- ⇒ Be the best that we can be!



Dates

Thursday 12th September—Thursday 10th October—Badger class sessions with Ospreys

Monday 23rd September—Rebecca Matthews from Bishop Gore to work with Year 6

Thursday 26th September—Whole school trip to the Taliesin to see a dance performance called Fish Boy

Monday 7th October—Rebecca Matthews from Bishop Gore to work with Year 6

Friday 11th October—Badger class trip to the Dylan Thomas theatre, The Waterfront Museum and Swansea Museum

Friday 19th December—last day of term

INSET dates to be confirmed shortly

Reading

The children will be given a reading book in the next week. I would like them to be regularly reading at home. They will be heard every week in school and sometimes their homework will be based on the reading book

As Whitestone is a healthy school, we would be very grateful if the children could only have water in their bottles in order to look after their teeth throughout the day, and also we actively encourage just fruit to be eaten at breaktime. For 30p, this can be bought from our fruit tuck shop. Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

Many thanks, Rachel Kissick