

WESTWOOD WITH IFORD SCHOOL



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Orchid News: Term 2 2018

It has already been a busy term. Our topic this term is Weather and climate (geography and Science based) and we have been lucky to have some equipment loaned to us from the Met Office, including a few data loggers.

Dates coming up for Orchid:

Monday 26th November: After school football tournament at Kingsdown (15:00 – 17:30) for those who signed up to play last week.

Tues 27th/Wed 28th/Thurs 29th November: **Cycling proficiency** for those who signed up for it. Please make sure your child is wearing warm (home) clothes, waterproofs if it is raining and spare hat, socks and gloves as in the past they have become very cold in the rain. Remember you can pop their bike up to school over the weekend providing it is locked up in the bike shelter. If there are any issues with this then please let me know.

Christmas fair 1st December: Some of Orchid class have decided to sign up to run a stall in our classroom on the day. I have tried to encourage them to design a game rather than sell food! Please can the children come to school on the Saturday for 1:30pm (via their outside classroom door) and set up. They are responsible for their stall at all times and I hope they will take it in turns to have a break and go and have a look round the fair.

Core curriculum

Until almost Christmas, we will be working on our fractions using all the operations. It is still very important for the class to be completing their TTRockstars which will allow them to recognise patterns in number. Thank you for your support with this. The year 5s have halved their response times this term and they should be really proud. Nearer Christmas we will be concentrating more on shape and co-ordinates.

In English, we are working on using more description in our writing as well as trying to use a variety of punctuation correctly.

2L plastic bottles: We are in need of 2L plastic bottles (the clear ones). If you have any at home that are spare, then please can the children bring them into school as we hope to make rain gauges with them.

P.E.: PE is still on a Thursday this term, first thing so the children can come in in a WARM PE kit (joggers etc. and a warm jumper). Our new hockey sticks arrived so the children enjoyed trying them out this week.



Thank you to those parents who came to see me at parents evening. If you have any issues then please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Emma Tyler', written in a cursive style.

Emma Tyler
Orchid Class Teacher