



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Regular Reading outside of School

We all know that reading is one of the fundamental skills that children must master in order to succeed in school and in life, but with the increase in technology there often seems less time available to read for pleasure. During the school week the children develop their reading skills in a variety of ways from reading to an adult; reading out aloud; reading to an audience; phonic sessions and comprehension sessions.

All children have an individual reader which they take home. We have found that regular reading at home makes a significant difference to your child's progress over time. Please help us and your child by finding a regular time to read this book with your child. This is particularly important for children in Key stage 2. If you are finding that this is a challenge then other forms of reading materials can also make a difference -picture books, magazines, newspapers such as First News, bedtime stories, audio tapes with a book, short stories or novels. Other good techniques that make difference include bedtime stories, taking it in turns to read and asking questions about what they have read. Don't forget to let us know how your child is getting on each week in their reading record/communication book!



## Our Value for this month is Friendship

### Packed Lunches

Can we please remind you that children should bring water to school in their drinks bottle and not juice/squash.

Just a reminder that we do have some children who have severe nut allergies in our school. For this reason we are a 'nut free' school. Please do not send in nuts for your child's snack or packed lunch; this includes peanut butter and hazelnut/chocolate sandwich filling. Thank you for your support with this matter.



## Visit our Library

Library opening times are 3.30pm-3.50pm. Bring your child along after school to choose a book to read at home and then bring it back the next week to swap for another one!

**Monday** – Nursery and Reception children

**Tuesday** – Year 1 and Year 2 children

**Wednesday** -Year 3 and Year 4 children

**Thursday** – Year 5 and Year 6 children

## UNIFORM LABELLING

Can you please ensure that all uniform, PE kit, coats, shoes etc are labelled with children's names. This makes it considerably easier for us to reunite children with their items and avoids excess amounts in lost property.



## Headteacher Awards & Value Stars



## Dates for the Diary

September  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

Community Worship at the Church at 9.05 am

October  
8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>  
25<sup>th</sup>

School photos  
Term Ends

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