



WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 1

Year 2

Welcome

I hope that you all had a great summer holiday. I have enjoyed hearing about the children's adventures! I'm looking forward to getting to know the children more and beginning our Year 2 learning journey together. The children have been great this week. They have been busy getting to know Year 2 routines, working on learning behaviours and creating artwork for displays. We have also enjoyed doing some settling in activities as part of PSHE. Keep up the good work Year 2. 😊

Maths

This term in maths, the children will continue to build on and consolidate their understanding of the number system. We will work practically and pictorially to represent numbers to 100, partition two-digit numbers as well as compare and order numbers. We will also focus on adding and subtracting using Numicon, pictures and number lines to support the children's understanding. The children will also develop their problem solving and reasoning skills by working practically. The times tables we will be focusing on are 2, 5, 10. Please learn these times table facts at home using flash cards or online tools.

Dates and Things to Remember

PE - Tuesday afternoons with Mr Stoneman.
It would be really helpful if you could provide your child with an old baggy tshirt (or apron) that they can keep in school for art lessons please.

Topic

Our History topic for this term is called 'Flight'. We will be finding out about developments in aviation, using photographs and timelines to help develop our understanding. We will learn about the Montgolfier Brothers' first hot air balloon flight and find out about the development of gliders. We will also compare modern day airplanes with the Wright Flyer and learn about Amelia Earhart. In science we will be doing practical learning outside to help us learn about living things and their habitats. In PSHE we will be focusing on the Jigsaw unit 'Being Me'. We will also spend time talking about feelings and worries. The focus for art is 'Map it Out'. We will draw maps, create 3D maps and explore printmaking.

English

In English we will be learning about how to write biographies, adventure stories and non-fiction texts. We will take time to delve into each genre and find out about their unique features by immersing ourselves in a range of examples by different authors. In spelling, grammar and punctuation lessons (SPAG), we will learn about 'Kung Fu Punctuation' which is a fun way of learning how to punctuate sentences and the children will have plenty of opportunities to apply these skills in writing. We will also have weekly handwriting sessions and regular spelling sessions.

Homework

See separate sheet explaining Year 2 homework in more detail - please check your child's bag next week for this. If you are unsure of anything, please don't hesitate to speak to me at the end of the day.
Miss Leggett, Year 2 Teacher.

**Our Value for this month is
Friendship**