

# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 5

Year 3

## Welcome

I hope that you all had a wonderful Easter break and that the children are refreshed and ready to start another busy and exciting term at school!

### **Dates and Things to Remember**

We will be going swimming this term, every week from Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April. It would be helpful if your child could practise getting dried and dressed at home after a bath or shower ready for our lessons. Please help them to remember to bring their swimming kit every Thursday and for their bag, towel and clothing to be clearly named. Daventry Leisure Centre has requested that all children using the pool for school swimming lessons wear a swimming hat. If your child needs a hat these can be purchased from school at a cost of 50p. Please ensure that long hair is tied back to help your child put on their swimming hat more easily.

Our PE lessons will be on Wednesdays. Please ensure that your child has appropriate kit for indoor and outdoor P.E everyday as we sometimes have additional sports activities in school.

If your child is being collected by a different person to normal i.e. a playdate, please let us know.

# Homework, Reading & Spellings

Our class book this term is *Harry the Poisonous*Centipede by Lynne Reid Bank. Please remind your child to complete their homework and put their reading record book into their homework folder and hand in by

**Wednesday** each week. The reading record will be checked to see that they have read with an adult at home at least twice in a week (signed/ initialled by an adult). The children will be able to change their reading book during registration each morning as often as they would like to. Thank you

#### Maths

In maths this term we will begin by recapping the key objectives that the children need consolidating. This will include written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be covering geometry and statistics this term.

We will continue to focus on rapid recall of multiplication tables, which is essential to support the children to become fluent in maths. The children should know their **2**, **5**, **10**, **3**, **4**, and **8** times tables ready for the assessment in term 6.

Now that the children are becoming more fluent in their tables, practising online using a touch screen in the same format as the test will be invaluable. A good website to help your children work on a touch screen against the clock is <a href="https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/">https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/</a>

# **English**

The writing genres that we will be learning about this term are instructions, newspaper reports and non-chronological reports. Your child's spelling book will come home so that you can see which spellings still need to be practised. Please return to school by the following Monday.

Don't forget to keep practising the weekly statutory spellings ready for our spelling challenge at the end of each term.

# **Topic**

This term our topic will be 'World Differences' and to start our topic, we will be having a Wow Day on Friday 26th April. The children can come to school in messy clothes, as we will be doing lots of exciting and creative activities to introduce them to this topic.