



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Summer Term

Year 5

## Welcome

I hope that you have enjoyed your Easter break and the children are reenergized to start their final term in Year 5.

As always, please do not hesitate to come and see me at any point over the term to discuss how things are going or if you have any questions or concerns about your child.

I will be available after school on the gate on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The school office is always able to get a message through to me also.

## Maths

In maths this term we will move onto shape with a focus on angles as well as position and direction. We will also build on our previous decimals knowledge.

We will continue to maintain our rapid recall of multiplication tables as well as corresponding division facts. Thank you for all of your continued support with this. Recommended websites are in Google Classroom if the children would like to practise interactively at home.

## Dates and Things to Remember

Now that our swimming sessions have come to an end, our usual PE lessons will resume on Monday afternoons. Both indoor and outdoor PE kits will be required in school. In addition, children need to keep in school an art apron (a large old T-shirt or shirt would be ideal) as we will continue with plenty of fabulous art and DT.

This term we are very excited to welcome NMPAT to Year 5 to run a First Access Brass course. These lessons will take place on Mondays from 28<sup>th</sup> April. We also have a sports trip to the Pinnacle Climbing Centre on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May. Please see separate communications about this.

The school May Day celebration will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

## English

Last term, the children wrote some fabulous pieces linking into their learning from Spring Term 1 on characterisation and story openings, fables and non-chronological reports. This term, the children will be learning about writing from a different perspective, persuasive writing and similes and metaphors poetry.

It remains extremely important that your child is reading regularly at home. As part of their homework in Year 5, children need to continue to read at least twice a week with an adult at home. Please initial reading records, these will continue to be collected each Wednesday. In addition, children will continue with a reading comprehension task each week as part of their homework.

## Topic

This term our class topic will be France. This covers skills in geography as well as some history and links into our residential. The topic will be introduced on WOW Day on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Children should come in school uniform.

Through a thematic approach the children will continue to make links between many of their subjects, incorporating work through literacy, history and geography.

## Homework

Homework will be set on a Thursday and should be handed in by the following Tuesday. A weekly spelling test will take place each Thursday morning. The termly 40 word spelling test will be on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Times tables (now including division facts) will continue to be tested on Wednesdays. Our class book this term is Truckers by Terry Pratchett.

**Our Value for this month is**

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