



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## The Importance of Daily Reading

Daily reading has a huge impact on children's learning – it develops vocabulary, confidence and imagination. When a child first starts to read, regular practice has a direct impact on their word recognition and building skills. When a child is fluent at reading, regular practice is still vital – it helps to develop comprehension skills and language acquisition. Please can you make reading a priority in your daily routine – bedtimes are often a fantastic time to share a story and a cuddle. If your child is not interested in story books, why not try non-fiction books or magazines?



## Dates for the Diary

### March

Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Woodford Halse Cross Country
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8 p.m. PTA meeting The Pytchley
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 5 & 6 trip to Ashmolean Museum
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 1 & 2 Production
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Garden competition
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Class Photos
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	PTA selling Mother's Day gifts

### April

Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Service in Church
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Term Ends
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Training Day
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens

## **DROP OFF AND COLLECTION**

As I am sure you are all aware, arriving late to school disturbs the class and unsettles your child so thank you to those that are always in school on time. May we remind you that school opens at 8.45 a.m. and children should be in their classroom ready to commence learning by 8.55 a.m. May we also remind you that school finishes at 3.30 and children should be collected at this time.

## E- Safety

Attached is a parent information sheet about Fortnite. Please note that this game is for children aged 12+ so this shouldn't be relevant to the children who attend our school!



## **Healthy Snacks**

Our free school fruit scheme continues to be provided by the government on a daily basis for Reception and Key Stage One children. This is designed to encourage children to eat a range of healthy snacks and therefore it is not necessary for children to bring in snacks to eat at break time. Some families in Key Stage One would prefer to provide snacks for their children, and this is fine although we would prefer children to give the fruit a try. Unfortunately the scheme does not extend to Key Stage 2. If your child is therefore bringing a snack for break time, please ensure that it is healthy e.g. either dried or fresh fruit.



## **SWIMMING GALA**

Some of the Year 6 children took part in a swimming gala at Daventry Leisure Centre this week. The children all did really well and enjoyed taking part.



## **OUR VALUE FOR MARCH IS EASTER**

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