



Wiveliscombe Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

Y4

Term

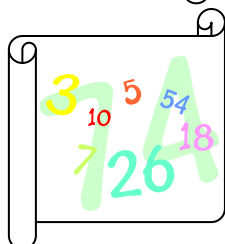
Autumn 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT		
English	In English we will be exploring a wide range of text types including recounts, play scripts, information and instructional texts and poetry. The children will write their own persuasive letters and create a Christmas story. The children will continue to consolidate their reading strategies and comprehension of a variety of texts and answer questions based upon them. We will also continue to consolidate previous learning and broaden the children's understanding and use of grammatical techniques and devices.		
Mathematics	In maths the children will be studying number and place value. We will be learning to add and subtract to 4 digits using formal written methods and to recall multiplication and division facts to 12x12 as well as use knowledge to multiply 2- and 3-digit numbers. This term, maths will also include developing knowledge of fractions, measurement, properties of shape, position and direction and statistics. The children will work on developing their ability to solve number and practical problems using the basic skills of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.		
Science	The children will learn about different habitats around the world and in our local area. They will learn how to classify organisms and understand how animals have adapted to suit their environments. They will also learn about the human digestive system. As part of this topic they will look at food chains and ecosystems.		
Computing	The children will learn to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognising acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report concerns. We will be practising research on the internet and the children will develop their programming skills using Hopscotch to create their own game. The children will also work together to create a class comic.		
MFL	The children will be acquiring a proficiency in day-to-day French words and phrases. They will be using role-play to enhance their conversation skills, singing songs and using a variety of interactive activities.		
History	We will study the Tudors this term. We will be focusing on the differences between rich and poor: education, housing, daily life and food. The children will also learn about King Henry VIII.		
RE	Throughout this term we will be looking at Hinduism focussing on the key beliefs—Dharma, Deity and Atman. We will look at stories within Hinduism as well as worship and other important practices.		
Art and DT	In art, the children will be focussing on the artist Leonardo da Vinci. There will also be a focus on sketching skills and techniques and in a link to our Tudors topic, the children will draw a Tudor house. In DT this term the children will be creating their own story books with moving parts based on a Christmas story.		
Music	In the first half term our focus will be the song Mamma Mia by Abba. The children will develop their skills in listening and appraising music and will compare the song to other Abba songs. The children will learn to sing the song and to play along with instruments. We will go on to learn how to play the glockenspiel.		
PE & Forest School	The children will be increasing their skills and techniques using a variety of equipment in gymnastics. They will further develop their confidence, skills and ability in a range of invasion games. They will also be learning about habitats and materials during a range of outdoor activities in Forest School.		
PCSHE	There will be a focus on respectful relationships including caring friendships this term.		

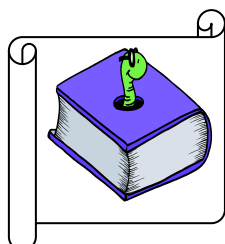
Homework



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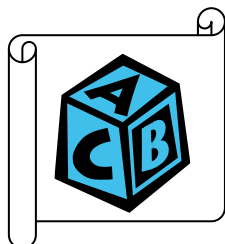
One piece of maths homework will be set on a Friday to consolidate the week's learning. It needs to be returned on a Wednesday please.

Children also need to complete ongoing practise of all times tables on Times Table Rock Stars.



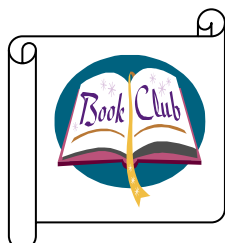
ENGLISH

One piece of English homework will be set on a Friday reinforcing the work done in school during the week. It needs to be returned on a Wednesday please.



SPELLING

Weekly spelling tests will be set every Friday and tested the following Friday.



READING

Regular reading at home is encouraged. At least 3 times a week for 10 minutes to an adult is preferred.

Please have reading books and reading records in school every day.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- ◆ Homework will be sent out via Google Classroom.
- ◆ PE kits will be needed in school on Wednesdays. (Black/ dark blue shorts, plain house coloured t-shirt, daps or trainers and black/ dark blue tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt for colder weather)
- ◆ **Please could all belongings be clearly named.**
- ◆ Children to bring a **healthy** snack and water bottle to school everyday (clearly labelled).
- ◆ Please bring book bags to school each day.
- ◆ Forest school is on a Friday morning. Please could children wear their uniform to school and bring old clothes and suitable footwear for forest school.
- ◆ Mrs Douglas' email address is: mrsdouglas@wiveliscombeprimary.school