



Wiveliscombe Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

Y6

Term

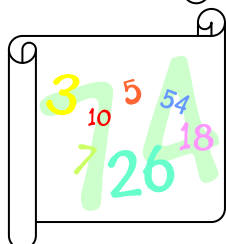
Autumn 2025

Dear Parents

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

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	Our English learning this term will give us plentiful opportunity to express opinion and fact through a range of genres including: character descriptions, newspaper articles, informal letters, discussion and explanation texts and first person narratives, based around a series of books which explore the concepts of new beginnings, homelessness and ambitions for our future. This term will also explore poetry and a range of grammatical features including parenthesis and adverbials. The children will have the opportunity to practise their performance in poetry.
Mathematics	To begin our maths learning in year 6, we will be gaining a deeper understanding of numbers up to 10 million by understanding them structurally and through comparing, ordering and rounding. This term's learning also includes revision of negative numbers and strategies for using the four operations: add, subtract, multiply and divide.
Science	During this term, we will be hypothesise about, plan for and conduct a range of experiments linked to electricity. We will use our understanding of how electrons and neutrons work to create electricity to make adaptations to our circuit designs, as well as learning how to use universal symbols to record circuits. After half term, we will be learning about how humans have evolved, including a study of fossils and a connection to Mary Anning as a local scientist. Our understanding will cover genetics, DNA and what causes similarities and differences in inherited and environmental characteristics of animals, including humans. Our Forest School sessions will strengthen our understanding of the natural world.
Computing	Our computing curriculum will ensure that we know how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly and how to use search technologies effectively. We will be developing our skills in Programming, using the software 'Scratch', creating multimedia through the use of slides and logging and recording data using appropriate software. We will also create multimedia presentations in relation to our Geography learning.
Topic	In Autumn 1, we will be comparing the physical features of North America and Europe by understanding more about mountains and how they were formed in these regions. After half term, we will begin our history topic on Maya Civilisation.
RE	Our RE this term explores the Christian concept of Agape as the highest form of love, and how this is celebrated in Christianity.
PE	During this term, we will be learning about how to develop our personal abilities in PE by recognising our strengths and weakness to set appropriate targets, persevering and reacting positively when faced with challenge (and to view challenge as an opportunity to learn) through the development of fundamental movement.
Modern Languages	This term, we will be learning about French sport and continuing our work on understanding French grammar in order to interpret and construct sentences. After half term, we will be focussing specifically on French language to describe items involved in football.
D & T & Art	This term's art topic will allow us to develop our mastery of printing as a technique, taking inspiration from famous pop artists. After half term, we will be creating automata toys in design and technology, considering the make, design and evaluate process.
Music	We will begin the term by learning about swing music, syncopation, swing rhythm, big band instruments and scat singing. We will move on to study artists and their influences and compare musical genres (country, electronic dance music, rock, classical and soul). We will then create our own song lyrics, write a melody and sing our completed song.

Homework

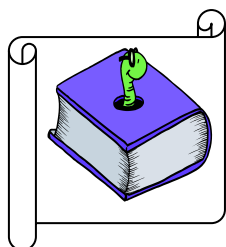


MATHS

Children should continue to rehearse their times tables so that they know all number facts up to 12 x 12 fluently and accurately, including division facts

Children should recall number bonds to 1 fluently e.g. $0.36 + __ = 1$

Homework is set on a Tuesday and is due the following Tuesday. This will regularly consolidate our mathematical learning.

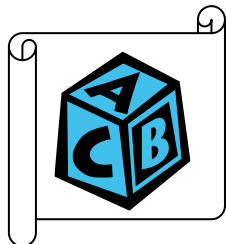


ENGLISH

Children should regularly practise their handwriting

Children should be encouraged to write for pleasure at home

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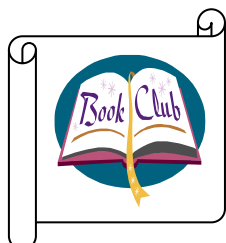


SPELLING

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

Spellings should be practised everyday including lists from previous weeks.

Children should be able to spell all words from the Y5/6 statutory Word List.



READING

Regular reading at home is encouraged. At least 3 times a week for 15 minutes to an adult is preferred, including questions about what has been read.

Reading record books should be signed by an adult when your child has read to you and returned every day with your child's reading book.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact with Mrs Chesterfield and Ms Vickery—Should you have any enquiries, you are always welcome to speak to us outside of the classroom at the beginning and end of the day. Alternatively, you can reach us by emailing the school office: office@wiveliscombeprimary.com

Absence - If your child is absent from school, or late due to an appointment, please telephone the school before registration closes at 9:15.

Physical Education - Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school every Tuesday. This should include: black/dark blue shorts, plain house coloured t-shirt, daps or trainers and black/dark blue tracksuit bottoms for colder weather.

Forest School—Our Forest school session will be on a Wednesday afternoon. Please bring children in their school uniform with their forest school clothes in a named bag. Outdoor clothing should consist of clothes that you don't mind them getting dirty and waterproof trousers, hats, scarfs and gloves may be required.

Water bottles—Please send your child in with a named water bottle everyday, containing only water.

Snack—Your child is welcome to bring a healthy snack with them to school for break time. Please note that we are a nut-free school and therefore do not permit any items containing nuts.

Please ensure that all clothing, lunchboxes and water bottles are clearly named.

We are looking forward to an excellent first term in Year 6!

Mrs Chesterfield and Ms Vickery