



Wiveliscombe Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

Y5

Term

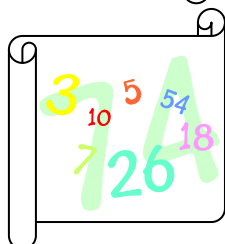
Summer 2024

Dear Parents

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

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	This term, we will focus on a range of fiction and non-fiction genres. We will study informal letters, information writing, narrative writing, balanced arguments, story retelling, instructions and we will learn and compose poetry. Every week, we will be revising and practising grammar structures and complex punctuation which the children will apply and use in their weekly writing. This term, we will be reading a wide range of texts and studying some excellent novels and poems which include 'Wind in the Willows', 'Firebird', 'Theseus and the Minotaur' and The Jabberwocky. Every week, we will work on our comprehension skills and focus on a different reading objective.
Mathematics	In Maths this term, we will begin by securing our understanding of calculating with decimal fractions and explore decimal relationships. We will go on to explore factors, multiples and prime numbers. We will apply our learning through measures and problem solving. We will then move on to calculating angles and converting units of measurement and calculate volume. We will end the term by securing our understanding of fractions, where we will explore relationships in equivalent fractions. We will continue to practice arithmetic skills and times tables daily.
Science	We will be learning about animals, including humans. We will describe the changes as humans progress into old age and explain the changes experienced in puberty. We will move on to learn about the properties of materials. We will compare and group materials based on their response to magnets. We will investigate how materials can change state and will investigate the thermal insulation of different materials. We will conduct fair tests, make predictions and present our data using appropriate tables and graphs.
Computing	This term, we will begin by learning about how to keep ourselves safe online and consider age-appropriate and healthy use of technology. We will use multimedia to create a piece of music to accompany fictional writing and add atmosphere, create a persuasive presentation and continue to improve our web detective skills.
Geography	This term, we will be learning about coasts. We will begin by learning about ocean currents and gyres and move on to look at the features of coasts and coastal erosion. We will explore how coastlines are protected. We will use a range of different maps, research, diagrams and observations.
History	In History, we will learn about the Ancient Greeks. We will study the Ancient Greek civilisation and learn about democracy, explore some of the key events, study daily life in Ancient Greece, draw contrasts between life in ancient Athens and ancient Sparta and explore the Olympics in Ancient Greek times.
D&T and Art	We will design our own bird tables and use our cutting, sawing, measuring and nailing skills to create a wooden frame. We will then gather and collect natural resources to fill our hotels. In art, we will use clay to design and create our own Greek pottery.
RE	Our focus this term will be on the religion of Islam. We will learn how the religion of Islam began and what Muslims believe. We will learn what the five pillars of Islam are and why they are important. We will learn about Ramadan and Bilal the first Muezzin.
PHSE/RSE	We will focus on being the best we can be. We will look at how to keep healthy and we will identify and celebrate our own strengths and talents. We will move on to learn about how our bodies grow and change as we get older and how our feeling and emotions change.
Music	We will start the term by exploring the style of rap music. We will focus on Will Smith's song 'The Fresh Prince of Belair' where we learn the glockenspiel and create our own improvisations. We will move on to look at the style of Jazz music.
Modern Languages	Pupils learn to construct high numbers in French, develop food-related vocabulary through games, stories and role-play and build on their understanding of sentence structures, questions and phrases, equipping themselves with language they could use when shopping in France.
PE	We will start the term by focusing on our physical skills where we will perform a variety of movements and skills with good body tension to develop our skills in gym. We will then focus on swimming and multi sports.

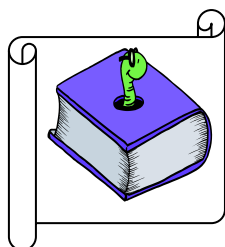
Homework



MATHS

Consolidation of work carried out that week. This is set on Wednesday and due the following Wednesday.

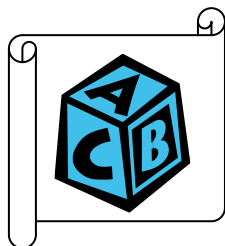
There will be a times tables of the week and children will practise daily in class. They have logins to www.timestables.co.uk where they can practise their times tables at home.



ENGLISH

Grammar and sentence work. Homework tasks should be completed either on the worksheet or the paper provided and should be completed using a sharp pencil. This is set on Wednesday and due the following Monday.

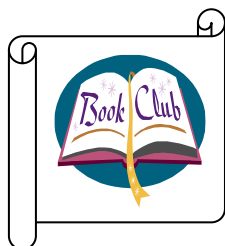
Children should also use this as an opportunity to practise their handwriting.



SPELLING

Children will be given their weekly spellings to learn throughout the week on a Friday ready to be tested on the following Friday.

The spelling rule for the week is taught in class.



READING

Regular reading at home is essential. At least 3 times a week for 10 minutes to an adult is preferred with additional independent reading throughout the week

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. They will be checked on Mondays.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact with Mrs Chesterfield and Ms Vickery – Should you have any enquiries, you are always welcome to speak to Mrs Chesterfield (Monday—Thursday) or Ms Vickery (Friday) 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 9:00.

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

Forest School—Our Forest school session will be on a **Thursday** morning. Please bring children in their forest school clothes with their school uniform in a named bag. Outdoor clothing should consist of clothes that you don't mind them getting dirty and currently, 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 another term of wonderful learning!

Mrs Chesterfield and Ms Vickery