



Warlingham Village Primary School's



Year 2

Class Newsletter

Autumn 2023

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer holiday and that we have a happy and successful year together. I am very much looking forward to getting to know your children.

Reading



*Your child will bring home three reading books each week that should only contain phonemes that they have learnt so far. Children will also bring home a library book and may select story books from our class library to read **with** you. Please fill in your child's reading record each time they read to you. **Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the yellow record book.***

*I am currently reading with every child in the class so that we can make **adjustments to book levels based on progress over the summer.***

Spellings

*Learning of spellings will be taught in school through an **investigative approach. The time spent learning spellings in Year 1 should now be used for additional reading practice at home.***

*Children should read **at least** three times a week with you. A weekly Fluency Passage will also be sent home for your child to practise reading with expression. The class will have the chance to perform this during Thursday's assembly.*

Homework Tasks

Our main focus this term for homework will be regular reading with your child, but we will also be sending home a phonic workbook which the children have used during the week and a bookmark giving examples of the phonemes/spelling patterns the children have worked on. This is so that you can support them by encouraging them to recognise, read and spell these patterns when they encounter them. Please remove these from your child's wallet and keep them at home.

Take - Away Homework

This term the takeaway homework is mainly based on learning across all subject areas that will take place this term. Please choose a task that interests you to share at the end of term.

English

This term we will focus on writing: Stories, Instructions, Diaries and Non-Chronological Reports.

We will also work on developing punctuation and grammar skills and on fluency, vocabulary, inference and retrieval in reading.



GLF Curriculum

(incorporating science, history, geography, art and design technology)

For our first Enquiry Question: **‘What makes the best coat?’** we will learn about the climates of the world and what clothing and materials would be appropriate for a travelling bear. We will be making a coat for a teddy and I would love to hear from any keen sewers who would like to help us in school!

After half-term we will use History, DT and Art to answer the question **‘What was the impact of the Great Fire of London on the structures in modern day London?’**



Maths

In Maths this term we will focus on the following:

- Composition of Numbers
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication as Equal Groups



PE

This year, PE will take place on **Wednesday and Friday afternoons**. Children should wear school PE kit into school on this day. Long hair should be tied back and earrings should not be worn on this day.

Please name all items of school uniform as well as coats, hats etc. School PE kits will be provided if children are not in correct clothing.

As you know, **Mrs Gibbs** will be teaching the children on Wednesdays. Please feel free to speak to either of us if you ever have any concerns or questions. Alternatively please email the office who will pass your message on. If you would like to come into school to sew, hear readers or help in another way, we would love to hear from you. Thank you for reading this newsletter.

Mrs Vincent