



WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 4

Year 1

Welcome

We are looking forward to another busy and exciting term. Our play 'There's a Sunflower in my Supper' will be fantastic (we hope!). Our topic for this term is 'Transport' We will be using the John Burningham books 'Mr Gumpy's Outing' and 'Mr Gumpy's Car' together with information texts. There will also be assessments towards the end of term. As well as the Easter Service and Science week.

Maths

We will be continuing to work on place value using larger numbers and the ability to add and subtract. We will be moving from using resources such as counters to using number lines and abstract methods. We will also focus on measurements, length and height, weight/mass and volume, capacity and volume. We will continue to build on our mental maths skills and problem solving techniques.

Dates and Things to Remember

Costumes to be in on Wednesday 8th March.

Production Tuesday 14th March 2.30 o'clock and 6 o'clock

PE days are Wednesday with Ben Stoneman and Thursday with me (there is still quite a lot of unnamed kit). Reading books are changed on Mondays. Homework is issued on Fridays and handed in on Wednesdays. Spellings are issued on Fridays and tested the following Friday.

English

Our literacy will be taught through our topic book and a specific reading, handwriting and phonics session each day will support this. We will be focussing on adventure stories. We will also focus on non fiction by finding out about changes in transport. We will look at a range of 'Easter poems' We will work on correct punctuation and applying the year 1 grammar rules such as adding ed and s/es. As children become more confident with applying their phonic knowledge we will move towards developing comprehension skills and especially inference. I hope that the adjustments to the reading system will see children motivated and challenged in their reading. Please add notes about any books read in the reading record.

Topic

Our topic is history based. We will study the development of transport, looking at canal boats, trains, cars and other forms of transport. Our science will focus on seasonal changes. In RE we will be learning about 'Salvation' and the importance of Easter to Christians. In Art we will explore 3D paper sculptures. In computing, children will continue to build up their confidence in logging into different programs independently and safely and work on animated story books. Our music will be rehearsing the songs and dances for our play. In PE we will be focussing on gymnastics and games.

Homework

Weekly homework will be reading, spellings and a page from the Maths and an English homework books that will be given out on Fridays with a page reference. Also a writing task every 4 weeks and a 20 word spelling test selected from the spellings given during the term.

**Our Value for this month is
Happiness**

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