



WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 1

Year 2

Welcome

I hope that you all had a wonderful summer holiday and that you are ready to get stuck into a new academic year! I'm really looking forward to getting to know the children and beginning our Year 2 learning journey together. The children have settled in well this week. They have enjoyed creating some lovely artwork for displays and have enjoyed reading 'The Colour Monster' and 'The Huge Bag of Worries'.

Dates and Things to Remember

PE days: Tuesday and Wednesday

Fruit will continue to be provided at break time.

Please bring in a named water bottle each day.

Please bring in an old tshirt or apron for art to keep in school all year. Thank you!

Topic

Our History topic for this term is called 'Flight'. We will be finding out about developments in aviation, using photographs and timelines to help develop our understanding. We will learn about the Montgolfier Brothers' first hot air balloon flight and find out about the development of gliders. We will also compare modern day airplanes with the Wright Flyer. In science we will be learning about properties of materials and in PSHE we will be focusing on 'Being Me'. We will also spend lots of time talking about feelings and worries and thinking about how we can have happy minds and bodies! In computing we will be learning about coding and in art we will learning how to tell a story through drawing.

**Our Value for this month is
Friendship**

Maths

This term in maths, the children will continue to build on and consolidate their understanding of the number system. We will work practically and pictorially to represent numbers to 100, partition two-digit numbers as well as compare and order numbers. We will also focus on adding and subtracting using Numicon, pictures and number lines to support the children's understanding. The children will also develop their problem solving and reasoning skills by working practically. The times tables we will be focusing on are 2, 5, 10.

English

In English we will be using Mick Inkpen's book 'The Blue Balloon' to inspire our writing. We will plan and write our own adventure stories. After that we will use our knowledge of The Wright Brothers to plan and write an information text. We will use headings, subheadings, diagrams and captions. We will also be looking at a poem about flight. We will practise performing the poem before writing our own ones. We will begin learning spelling rules for Year 2 as well as recapping high frequency words from Year 1.

Homework

Please see separate sheet explaining Year 2 homework in more detail - please check your child's book bag on Friday for this. If you are unsure of anything, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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