



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3

Year 2

## Welcome

Happy New Year! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday and had a chance to relax. Thank you so much for my lovely Christmas cards and presents. We are looking forward to another busy and fun-filled term as we launch our new topic 'Into the Unknown'. We are also looking forward to Curriculum Days restarting - the first one is on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January. I hope you have a great start to 2023 and I wish you all a happy and healthy year.

## Dates and Things to Remember

Please bring in an old t-shirt or apron for art lessons, thank you if you have already done this. Please can you ensure that water bottles are kept separate to reading books as we have had to throw several books away due to water damage. Thank you for your support with this.

## Topic

This term our History topic is 'Into The Unknown' which focuses on exploration. We will be finding out about Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong and learn about how their contributions to exploration affected the lives of people at the time and today. In science we will be learning about habitats around the world and in PSHE we will be thinking about our dreams and goals. In RE we will be exploring the big question 'How does The Torah influence the lives of the Jewish people?'. In art we will be exploring colour and texture to make our own collages and in DT we will be exploring how to make stable structures.

**Our Value for this month is  
Hope**

## Maths

This term we will recap addition and subtraction of tens and ones (e.g  $34 + 40$ ,  $42 + 14$ ,  $36 + 25$ ,  $52 - 30$ ,  $68 - 24$ ,  $51 - 19$ ). We will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes and how to describe them. We will also explore money with a focus on solving problems such as using different coins to make the same amount. We will also focus on multiplication and division and solve problems involving the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Please focus on these times tables at home this term. We will also continue to practice telling the time (o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to).

## English

Our text this term is *The Man on the Moon*. We will focus on using effective adjectives and use these when retelling the story. We will also focus on writing different sentence types such as statements, commands, questions and exclamations. We will also be learning how to write a letter and how to write our own poems inspired by the moon.

## SPAG

I will continue to set a spelling rule each week to learn. Please also refer to the Common Exception words when doing any writing at home.

## Homework

Our class reading book is *Fantastic First Poems* - I hope you enjoy performing the poems at home! If you have any questions or concerns, please get in contact.

Miss Leggett 😊

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