



WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3

Year 2

Welcome

Happy New Year! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. A very big thank you for my lovely Christmas cards and presents! We are looking forward to another busy and fun-filled term as we begin our Geography topic 'Brr, It's Cold!' The children were amazing last term and I'm sure they will continue to try their best and persevere when learning is challenging. I hope you have a great start to 2024 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.
PE days - Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Topic

This term our geography topic is Brr, It's cold! We will be finding out about the polar regions. We will use atlases to locate different climate zones around the world. We will also be exploring weather patterns in the UK and plan and carry out an investigation. In science we will be learning about habitats around the world and we will be linking this to our geography topic by exploring habitats in the polar regions. In PSHE we will be thinking about our dreams and goals. We will be setting our own goals for the term and plan the steps we will need to take to achieve them. 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 clay and making our own pinch pots and tiles. Our music topic is 'Musical Me' and we will be learning how to compose our own piece of music using a glockenspiel.

**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 continue to 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 *Penguin Small*. We will focus on using effective adjectives and use these when writing our own alternative endings. We will also focus on writing different sentence types such as statements, commands, questions and exclamations and continue to make sure we use capital letters and full stops. We will also be writing a snow poem that has a repeating pattern and we will also use our knowledge of the polar regions to produce an information text. Please continue to practise the spelling rules that are sent home each week,

Homework

Reading books will now be given out on a Friday. Our class reading book will be *Fantastic First Poems*. It will be given out soon. I hope you enjoy reading the poems at home. If you have any questions or concerns, please get in contact. Miss Leggett 😊