

WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 5

Year R

A warm welcome back to school. We hope you have had a lovely Easter break. Our topic this term is Magic Lands. We will be looking at similarities and differences between fairy tale environments. We will be reading and exploring lots of different fairy tale stories as well as being very creative making all sorts of models.

Weekend Books

This term we would love the children to continue to write their own sentences unaided. Please encourage your child to use their phonics to write the words. We love listening to their news!

Literacy

During this term the children will be continuing to work on developing their reading skills. They will use their phonics knowledge to read new words, high frequency words and common irregular words, as well as reading and understanding simple sentences. Using the fairy tale stories, the children will have the opportunity to develop their speaking and listening skills. In writing, the children will become more confident at writing sentences, including using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

Sunflower Updates

Thank you so much for the updates last term. It was lovely to see the children's sunflower progress. Please contiune to send through photographs. Hopefully lots are still growing 😌

Maths

We will be building on our existing knowledge of adding and subtraction skills through answering different word problem questions. The children will have the opportunity to become more confident at doubling, halving and sharing. We will be learning how to count in twos as well as consolidating counting in 10's. We will begin to look at how numbers to 20 are made and where these numbers sit on the number line. We will also be focussing on number formation. Please continue to support your child with subitising to 5 and number bonds up to 10.

Topic work

During our Magical Lands topic the children will be learning about castles. They will learn about the different parts of a castle, the life in a castle now and then.

We will also be exploring the village looking at and comparing different buildings as well as features in our environment.

Home Reading

We really appreciate your support with developing your child's reading skills. It is important that your child reads their phonic books as often as possible as well as learning to read/spell their focus words.

Thank you for all of your continued support, it is much appreciated. If we can help in any way, please speak to a member of the reception team. Mrs Brinklow, Mrs James and Mrs Welch. 😊

Our Value for this month is honesty