



# WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 4

Year 4

## Welcome

Welcome back!

We hope you have had a lovely, relaxing week off. Year 4 have another exciting term ahead of them. We will continue with our ukulele sessions each Friday. It has been fantastic to see the children growing in confidence each week. We will also be doing a few DT projects this term in both PSHE sessions and Art sessions.

## Dates and Things to Remember

P.E. days this year will continue to be on Mondays and Thursdays. However, it may be easier to bring kits in on Monday and leave them at school until Friday each week, just in case they are needed unexpectedly.

Please send your children in with a water bottle each day to keep them fully hydrated. In Year 4 this term, there will be a big focus on independence and organisation as we want the children to become more self-reliant and resourceful.

- **Parents Evening** – 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of February
- **Sitting Volleyball (P.E. Kits needed in school)** – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February
- **Church Worship** – Happiness – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February
- **Curriculum Day** (Messy clothes needed) – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March
- **Church Worship** – Easter – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

## Topic

In Topic, we will be continuing to learn all about The Stone Age! We look forward to travelling back in time and finding out all about their way of life.



**Our Value for this month is  
Happiness**

## Maths

This term, the children will be focussing heavily on the unit of fractions. We will be looking at areas such as: equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, fractions of amounts and fraction problem solving questions. We will also start to look at the links between fractions and decimals. We will also link our homework closely to what we are learning in school.

The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) test is looming closer and will be carried out in June this year. We would appreciate it if you could support your child with learning their multiplication tables at home on a regular basis in order to help their pace of recall and accuracy. Practising online using a touchscreen in the same format as the test will be invaluable. A good website to help your children work on a touchscreen against the clock is

[www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check](http://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check)

## English

In English this term we will be writing a non-chronological report about the Stone Age including information about tools, clothes, homes and food. We will be linking this heavily with our Topic work. The children will be focussing on writing complex sentences using fronted adverbials, embedded clauses and expanded noun phrases to develop their creative writing this term.

## Homework

Children will continue to be set Maths and SPAG homework in their CGP books each week on Thursdays. This is due in the following Tuesday. Please ensure that your child is reading at home at least twice per week. If your child chooses to read independently, please still ensure that this is signed. Regular spelling practice will also ensure that children score well on their weekly tests each Tuesday. Please recap previous spellings from time to time to help your child retain them in their long-term memory.

Our new class book, *The Firework Maker's Daughter* by Philip Pullman, will also be given out this term. Please ensure your child is also regularly reading this.

The children's previous class reader, *Stig of the Dump* by Clive King, is to be returned on the first week back (20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> February). Our class books are numbered to check any that are missing.

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