

WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 6

Year 5

Welcome

I cannot believe it is our final half term in Year 5. The children have all worked so hard over the year; it has been a pleasure to teach them and to see them mature to their final year at West Haddon Primary.

As always, please do not hesitate to come and see me at any point over the term to discuss how things are going or if you have any questions or concerns about your child. I will be available after school on the gate on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The school office is always able to get a message through to me also.

Dates and Things to Remember

This final term is extremely busy. Our action-packed residential takes place next week from $15^{th}-17^{th}$ June. Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 12^{th} July. We have already started rehearsing for the fabulous Year 5/6 production of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits which will take place on Tuesday 19^{th} July. Transition morning, where the children will venture up into Year 6, will be on Monday 18^{th} July and our last day of term with church service is on Wednesday 20^{th} July.

PE lessons will continue on Mondays and Tuesdays. Both indoor and outdoor PE kits will be required in school. In addition, children need to keep in school an art apron (a large old T-shirt or shirt would be ideal) as we will continue with plenty of fabulous art and DT.

Topic

This term we continue our class topic of the English Civil War with links into local history with the Battle of Naseby. The Naseby Living History and Battle Experience takes part in Naseby on 11th and 12th June if this interests you. The children have a special Battle of Naseby visitor coming into school on 21st June to bring their learning to life.

Our Value for this month is Happiness

Maths

In maths this term we will be exploring converting measures, this includes converting units of time. If your child is unsure of telling the time, it would be great if this could be practised at home. The children need to be confident in reading and converting time between analogue and digital 12 and 24-hour clocks.

We will continue to maintain our rapid recall of multiplication tables as well as corresponding division facts. All children will be moved onto all multiplication and division facts the week after residential in order to be prepared for Year 6. Thank you for all of your continued support with this.

English

This term, the children will be writing flashbacks and persuasive texts.

It remains extremely important that your child is reading regularly at home. As part of their homework in Year 5, children need to continue to read at least twice a week with an adult at home. Please initial reading records, these will continue to be collected each Wednesday. In addition, children will continue with a reading comprehension task each week as part of their homework.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Thursday and should be handed in the following Tuesday. A weekly spelling test will take place each Thursday morning. Times tables (now including division facts) will continue to be tested on Wednesdays. Our class book this term is The Last Bear by Hannah Gold.