

Year 5 Newsletter Spring 1 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely restful break with your families and are looking forward to all that 2024 has in store. On behalf of the Year 5 team, we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation for your kind and generous gifts.

Please find below some academic details for the next half term.

Curriculum overview for this half term (please refer to the topic web for further details)

Topic: North America			
			Subject
Literacy	Speaking and Listening, Reading and Writing:		
Costa Award winning author of The Explorer	Narrative writing		
• Persuasive techniques • Newspaper reports			
	Grammar		
THE GOOD	 Development of fronted adverbials, adjectival phrases and accurate sentence structure. Introduction of subordinate clauses and relative 		
	clauses and how a comma demarcates these.		
A RECOMPTERS	Spelling		
	ei, ie, ough and silent letters		
Maths	Written methods of multiplication and division		
	Perimeter and Area		
Science	Science skills - observing, predicting, planning, recording and concluding		
	through games.		
	Forces - Gravity, Water resistance, air resistance, friction		
Computing	Scratch - Creating a quiz/maze using computer coding		
Foundation Subjects	History/Geography – North America		
	Art - Typography		
	RE - What is Faith?		
	PE - Dance and Invasion games		
	Music - Ukulele		
PSHE	Mental health and wellbeing Living in the Wider World		
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Please can you ensure that your child has one pencil case only, stocked with: a blue handwriting pen; pencils and coloured pencils; a glue stick; a whiteboard pen; a rubber; a sharpener and a short ruler. We really do appreciate your support in this and do understand the frustration when items get lost. Naming individual objects, whilst time consuming, is definitely worth it!

Homework

- Children will receive a weekly maths worksheet
- Children will also be **expected** to complete a TimesTable Rockstars and a Spelling task (on Spelling shed) per week.
- Occasionally an additional task will be set e.g. independent research (the children will record this in their diaries)
- Please ensure that your child is regularly reading and recording their own comments in their diary at least three times a week. We have spent time reminding the children of how we expect this laid out. We will also be asking children to practise their basic maths number facts too.
- Please check your child's homework diary each week and sign at the bottom of the page. Please use this as a communication book between home and school.

Uniform and Hairbands.

We are proud of our uniform at Wimbledon Chase and encourage the children to wear it with pride too. We allow simple hairbands in plain colours: please do not wear bright colours, animal ears or oversized decorations. Thank you.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 17th January	ECO Energy workshop
Monday 19th February	INSET DAY
Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd February	Parent Consultations
Friday 23rd February	Butser Farm (Anglo-Saxons)
Monday 4th - Friday 8th March	WCPS 100th Birthday Celebration
Monday 11th March	Royal Albert Hall (RAH)

Kind regards,

Miss Barton, Ms Warrender and Mr Surkitt