

Year 2 Newsletter

We hope you have had an enjoyable break and are looking forward to the term ahead. This term we will be talking a lot about the transition into Year 3.

English



Our Power of Reading book this term follows a tiny hummingbird on its journey from Central America to Central Park, New York. It is a captivating tale with exquisite illustrations.

We will be practising all the skills we have learnt so far and expanding our knowledge of how to write for different purposes.

By the end of the term we will be confident in writing using the 4 sentence types. We will continue our work in using question marks, exclamation marks, commas and apostrophes effectively.

RE

We will continue our learning about Islam. This term we will be thinking about why Muslims pray and what happens at the celebration of Eid-ul-Fitr.

Topic



Science

This term our topic is plants. We will start with a walk of the school grounds to see what species we can find. We will then plant a seed and learn about what plants need to grow. We will then learn about the lifecycle of a plant.

History

This term our topic is about the history of West Malling. We will learn about St Leonards Tower, the abbey, the church and Douces Manor. We hope to be able to have a local school trip to support our learning.

Art

We will be learning about a range of artists and skills to draw, paint and sculpt.

Maths



We will be covering 3 topics this term: division, fractions, and measures. We will also be consolidating our addition, subtraction and multiplication learning.

We will be completing a mix of fluency, reasoning and problem solving questions.

On Fridays we will continue to complete the 30/60/100 club challenges to practise mental maths skills.

Computing



In computing we will complete our new project:

'We are Zoologists'.

We will be using Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel to record our findings.

Reminders

Now that it is getting warmer, please remember a sun hat/sun cream so that we can use the outside space to learn and play as much as possible

Please try to complete a short reading and maths activity each day. This could be using Bug Club, Mathletics, practising for the 60 Club or spellings. You could also use online games such as Karate Cats, Small Town Superheroes or Top Marks. It is vital to practise these key skills to ensure important lifelong skills are reinforced. Please continue to remind your child to bring in and change their reading books on a Friday. I will also be updating and monitoring Bug Club each week. We are at a crucial point in the school year so please continue to read with your child each day to help ensure they continue to progress and are ready for Year 3.

PE will now be on Wednesdays. Please come to school in your PE kit, making sure they will be warm enough to be outside for 1 hour and have a hat if it is sunny. Earrings need to be taken out or covered on these days.

Please ensure that any clothing and belongings brought into school are clearly named including water bottles, lunch boxes, book bags, all items in their PE kit and school uniform including coats. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school every day. Home learning is due in on Monday 12th July.

Thank you for your continued support and don't forget to check our class page on the school website to find out more about what we have been doing. Please do contact us if you have any questions, messages or queries at cherryteacher@west-malling.kent.sch.uk

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