



# Year 2 Summer Newsletter

## Reading

Reading books will be changed on Mondays. Two books will be put in your child's reading bag to last the week. Please try to encourage your child to read at least for 15 minutes every night 5 times a week. Do not feel that they have to read the whole of a book if you think that it is too much for them. If you could sign, their reading record after listening to them read as we keep a record of daily readers each day. This way they will avoid missing part of their break for reading catch up. Books will be given out every Monday and must be returned the following Monday.

## KS1 2024 SATs

All year 2 children will be sitting their KS1 SATs in May. Children have had plenty of opportunity to practise these tests in class and all homework sent home will prepare them to sit these confidently. We would appreciate your support with ensuring that your child is in school each day so that they do not miss any important learning.

You should have received resources for the Easter holidays. If you would like these resources, again please ask your child's class teacher.

## Important Dates

Friday 24th May- Diversity Picnic

Monday 8th July- Celebration of Community and Culture

## Homework

Thank you all for the tremendous effort you have put in to supporting your child with their homework. The homework that we set is focused on what your child has already learnt in class therefore it is vital that it is completed to a high standard.

Maths and English homework is handed out on a Thursday and needs to be returned not later than the following Tuesday.

The **weekly quizzes**, **grammar** and the **research project** will continue to be assigned on **Google classroom**. Homework club is every **Tuesday** after school. Please do ask your child's teacher if you are interested.

## Summer Term Curriculum

### English

At the beginning of the term, we will be focusing on fairy tales and fables using different fairy tale books. Children will learn about the features for this genre and then write their own fairy tale. In the next topic we will look at a variety of fables and what their morals are. This will lead to the children writing their own fable. Further on in the term we will also be writing stories, arguments and diaries.

### Maths

Throughout the term, we will continue to reinforce concepts of the number system, the four operations and solving word problems. We will do this through mental calculations, fractions, time and money. The children will also be learning about position and direction such as left, right and turns.

### Science

We will continue with our topic on plants. The children had planned a scientific enquiry to answer their question about how a seed grows into a plant. They will record their findings and use a range of equipment to continue with their investigation. In the final half term, we will be looking at living things and their habitats - different places an animal can live. How many can you research at home with your child?

### History and Geography

Children will be learning about how the monarchy shaped London through history. They will also learn about our current monarch King Charles III and his role as a British Monarch.



In Geography, Pupils will gain knowledge about the **physical and human features** of the coast. Pupils will look at social Geography and internal **tourism** when learning about why people visit the coast and the origins of the 'seaside holiday'. During this topic, pupils will have the opportunity to have a coastal adventure of their own for our school trip to West Wittering Beach and explore the features of the coast.



### Spellings

Every half term, the year 2 children are given a copy of of the spelling words they will be taught and tested on. Spelling patterns are taught on Monday each week and tested on Friday. Each week the spelling pattern is different. Spellings will be handed out on Mondays

A weekly quiz is uploaded onto Google Classroom that your child needs to complete.

Year 2 Spellings (ge/dge) Summer 2 Week 1				
Look	Say	Cover	Write	Check
	1 <sup>st</sup> try	2 <sup>nd</sup> try	3 <sup>rd</sup> try	
edge				
budge				
fudge				
dodge				
bridge				
stage				
large				
cottage				
village				
lounge				

### Trips

In Year 2, children have many exciting trips to look forward to! In Summer Term, we will be visiting Swaminarayan Mandir and West Wittering Beach!

Children will be visiting Swaminarayan Mandir. This is to enrich our RE topic on Hinduism. Year 2 children explored the different artefact in Hinduism, what they are called and when they are used for. They will learn about the prayer life of a Hindus and the stories linked to some of the Hindu Gods.



Our Childhood Promise trip is to West Wittering Beach! We will be learning about the seaside and different coastlines in the UK.

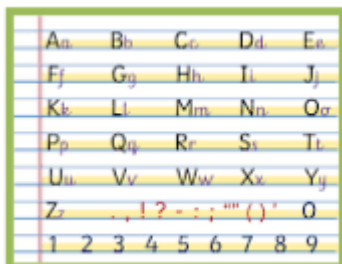
Also, this is a wonderful trip to celebrate all of the children's hard work after their KS1 SATs. They get to play games on the sand, paddle in the sea and enjoy a delicious ice cream!



### Handwriting

At Wood End Park Academy, we believe handwriting is a skill, which, like reading and spellings affects written communication across the curriculum. It is a big focus in Year 2 and your child should be able to write legibly, using upper and lower case letters appropriately. Please encourage your child to do this in their homework or any other writing they do at home.

Letters below show how we like our letters formed at WEPA



Pupils can bring any toys and buckets etc they have for use in the sand. Pupils will need casual clothes for this day too.

Attendance:

Each class gets a star from Ms Johra when everyone is in in school for that day. These stars add up to a playtime award. We would love each class in year 2 to get as many stars as they can to enjoy a reward together.

A reminder that the last day of term is Friday 19th July and anyone absent on these last days will have an attendance meeting due to their child missing these days,