



Autumn Term Newsletter

Warden Hill Primary School

Year 6 Teaching Team:
Teachers: Mrs Andrews & Mr Williams
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DIARY DATES

Please refer to the online school calendar for all school dates.

GEOGRAPHY

For our geography this term, we will be teaching the children all about Mountains. They will be exploring the mountains of the Himalayas, including Mount Everest, considering their structure, how they're used and the impact that climate change is having on them.

SCIENCE

In Science we will start with a unit on Living Things and their Habitats.

MATHS

Our daily maths sessions will be tailored to meet the needs of your child. We are keen for you to help your child, though they may be using different methods to those taught in years gone by. If you are unsure about how to help, pop in and ask us or visit the school's website for links.

Maths homework will be designed to follow up on the work from the lesson. Each night the children will be asked to complete a few questions which are marked the next day.

READING Please continue to encourage your child to read for 20 minutes every **school night**. This should be recorded in their Reading Diary. Reading books should be in school each day. The children are expected to produce a written response to what they have read once a week (half a page). We will direct the children as to what to comment on linked to our Guided Reading sessions. Sometimes children may be set a reading comprehension activity instead.

Reading Vipers

- Vocabulary
- Infer
- Predict
- Explain
- Retrieve
- Sequence or Summarise



ART/D.T.

Artwork will be related to our geography work Mountains. We will be sketching and painting Himalayan images, in the style of Albert Bierstadt.

P.E./GAMES

Children are expected to have their P.E. kits in school every day. Children should bring in a dark track suit and trainers (appropriate footwear) for games on **Friday**. This term we will be covering hockey and netball. Please can all kit be named. This term, P.E. will be gym and dance and will take place on Wednesday.

COMPUTING

'We are App Makers' is the title of our computing topic for the year. We will be blocking this unit of work and teaching the entire unit in a week, later on in the year.

WRITING

Promoting writing across the curriculum remains extremely important for our learners, so by the end of the year you will see a wealth of writing in all books. In our English lessons, we will be encouraging creativity in the composition of their writing, along with an emphasis on vocabulary choices to enhance the meaning of what they have written.

There will be a continued focus on handwriting across the curriculum. We will be teaching discrete handwriting lessons.

GRAMMAR

There is a continued focus on grammar in our curriculum. This will be followed up through daily homework.

SPELLING

This year the children will have new words handed out on Friday and tested on the following Friday. Spellings will be practised daily in school and we expect for children to practice at least 3 times a week at home. You should see a 'Home Spelling Book'!

Daily grammar and maths homework will be marked **the following day**.

PSHCE—Myself and my relationships, Emotional Well Being, Managing Risk, Managing Change

MUSIC—Music Express Scheme

FRENCH—Revision of past vocabulary: food, parts of the body and other useful terms

RE— Creation and science: Conflicting or complementary?

*Sickness: You can ring or email the office to inform Mrs Nowacka if your child has been away.
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