

# William Westley C of E Primary School

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Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a 'work hard - play hard' summer term! As you may already know, the National End of Key Stage Tests will take place this half term. In class, the children will be continuing by writing a diary entry as a blood cell before covering revision programmes in English. In Maths, we will continue to develop our calculation methods and apply these to problem solving. We will also learn about formulae for perimeter and area, as well as pie charts and line graphs. Children may also be working hard on independent revision at home. There may be extra work sent home during these weeks, including marked practice papers, in order for individual children to work on different aspects of these subjects. If you have any questions about the National End of Key Stage tests, please do come in and talk to us.

In Science this term, we will complete our unit on *Animals including Humans*, developing our understanding of how exercise, rest, water, nutrition and drugs affect the human body. In Computing, the children will be working on *Creating Media~ 3D Modelling*. In R.E, we will be digging deeper into the investigation of *What kind of King is Jesus?* In PSHE, we will begin thinking about issues arising from transition to senior school. In preparation for the teaching of the year six aspects of our Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) programme, there will be an opportunity to view materials and ask questions regarding this study; if you wish to do so, it will take place on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May from 6:30 until 7:15 (before the Grafham Meeting.)**

After our week of assessments, we will have more creatively focussed Greek Weeks as our History study for this term. In English, we will be writing for a range of audiences and purposes before working with senior school staff on transition units in English Maths and Science in preparation for year seven. We will be continuing with our French studies supported by our *Oak Academy* programme. PE and Games are on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this term and, as the weather improves, we will be seeking to take advantage of being outside as much as possible. The children are required to wear full and correct P.E. kit; thanks to all of you for encouraging your child to ensure that the correct kit is in school. If parents do not wish their children to take part in a P.E. lesson because of illness etc, a note will be necessary please and the pupil will move to work in another classroom for the duration of the lesson.

In the second half of term, we will continue to pursue our year six curriculum, completing our 'Personal Statements' in Writing and studying the Y6 transition unit in reading. In maths, we will be focussing on the Y6 transition unit which is the 'Sawston Housing Project'. Art activities will comprise a study of the work of *Friedensreich Hundertwasser*, *Graffiti Art* and also work linked to our studies of Ancient Greece and our Shakespeare performance. In D.T, we hope to have a day event led by the GSK Young Inventors Programme. After half-term, our RSHE programme will be taught every week and hopefully the children will take the opportunity to discuss their learning with you at home. In Geography, we will be finding out about *Our Changing World~ What Does the Future Hold?*

The Year 6 residential trip to Grafham Water Centre will take place after half term, from **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June to Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June**, and we are anticipating an excellent adventure for everyone! As previously mentioned, there will be a meeting for **parents and Year 6** children on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7.15pm**, to tell you all about it! Permission and medical forms will be sent home in due course. Please complete them and bring them to that meeting, to enable us to pass on these important details to the Grafham staff.

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In Music and Drama, we will be using our knowledge and skills in performance as we begin to rehearse for our leavers' play. We would like to thank you for all your effort to provide costumes/outfits for school events throughout your child's years at WWW. It is much appreciated and, without your support, it would be impossible for us to give fully costumed performances. We would ask that, for one last time, you would assist your child in gathering together the appropriate costume for our leavers' performance. Details of items required will be given nearer the time. The performance will take place on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm.**

Alongside our summer curriculum, there are a range of exciting activities planned throughout the final weeks of term; Bikeability; the senior school induction days; Sports Day and the leavers' play. As you can see, we have a very busy term ahead, with lots of fun, learning and preparation for moving on to senior school.

Throughout the school, children continue to receive merits for that which is praiseworthy. All teachers seek to give a maximum of 5 merits each session. The children also enjoy our class system of 'table merits' which encourage individuals to work as a team. The children also have the opportunity to earn merits through outstanding efforts in their homework, reading and tables, as well as through exceptional behaviour, effort and attitude.

In Year 6, the children always endeavour to be positive role models to the rest of the school and the summer term is more important than ever in being ambassadors for their year group and school. Traditionally, at William Westley, prizes have been awarded for good role models and for achievement. Prize-giving will again this year reflect the ethos of our school. Therefore this year, the prizes will be as follows:

- ~ Ambassador Shield
- ~ William Westley Cup
- ~ Mrs Boatman Award for Sustained Effort
- ~ Sports' Shield Boy / Sports' Shield Girl (to be presented at Sports Day on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July**)
- ~ Writing Award (based on progress made)
- ~ Maths Prize (based on progress made)
- ~ Governor Science Award (based on progress made)

We would like to say **a big thank you to those of you who continuously support your child and our school in providing the correct school uniform.** Year Six children do set the standard for the rest of the school in this, as in many other areas, and our smart, uniformed class do set an excellent example for their peers.

The class have, once again, made an impressive start to the term in their punctuality, independence and organised approach to their work and daily routines. As learning begins as soon as the children arrive in the classroom, it is important that every child is in class by 8:55 to ensure that they do not miss anything. Thanks to all of you who support your child by ensuring that they arrive at school on time.

The class continue to grow in maturity, self discipline and enthusiasm and have proven themselves to have the ability to achieve the high expectations we have of them; we look forward to the privilege of working with them again this term. If you would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs L Perry Miss P Barker