



West Ham Church School

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Hopes and Dreams

This term we will be focusing on our **hopes and dreams**. We would like the children to think of goals and aspirations they want to achieve during this term. These can be written down or carefully remembered in preparation for our return to school. All the children's hopes and dreams will be written on leaves and placed on our in class hopes and dream tree.



Key Stage 1

Weekly News Page
Spring 2, Week 2
5th March 2021

Year 2:

Squirrels Class ~ Mr. Dickey, Phase Leader
Hedgehogs Class ~ Miss Gilliland

Year 1:

Dragonflies Class ~ Miss Upson
Ladybirds Class ~ Mrs. Baleka

Teaching Assistants

Ms Palmer
Ms Adu-Gyamfi
Ms Nesbit
Ms Chowdhury
Ms Costello

Country of the Week - Poland

Last week's 'Country of the Week' entries were fantastic - it was great to read so much information about Romania. The new country of the week is **Poland**. Children should find out information about Poland and present it in a really creative and engaging way. There will be time to present their work towards the end of the week. The class who researches the most wins!

PE Lessons

The children will have PE lessons with our specialist sports coaches.

PE kit is:

White t-shirt

Navy blue shorts

Trainers

*Every child needs PE kit in school
(stored in a drawstring bag).*



Return to School

We cannot wait to have the children back in school! Please note the slight changes to the start and end of the school day for KS1.

Start - 08:30

Finish - 15:15

Please drop off and collect from the main playground (St Lucia Drive).

Your child will need their red school book bag, a named water bottle, and their PE kit in a drawstring bag. Please name all items of clothing.

Please do not send rucksacks to school as we cannot store them safely.



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Key Stage 1
Curriculum Page



MATHS Year 1

This week in Maths we have been working on finding the difference. You can use objects to help your child understand the concept of difference. Why not ask your child to sort their toys into groups, and then see if they can figure out which groups have more or fewer objects? You could ask them to compare two of the groups. What is the difference between your child's number of red toys and their blue toys? Putting the two groups next to each other in a line is a good way to quickly spot the difference between them. Encourage your child to record their thinking as a subtraction question. For example: If they have 6 red toys and 2 blue toys, then the difference is 4. This can be written as $6 - 2 = 4$

Year 2

In school we will be working on Fluent in Five. This is an a daily activity in which children work on their mental arithmetic skills. We will be looking at addition and number bonds to twenty when they return. Please ensure that you are counting back and forward with your children, recapping mental maths knowledge to ensure they are ready for learning.

Spellings

1. five
2. ride
3. like
4. side
5. home
6. those
7. woke
8. hope
9. hole
10. mole

WOW Word of the Week

fluency

Definition: Fluency is defined as the ability to read with speed, accuracy, and proper expression. In order to understand what they read, children must be able to read fluently whether they are reading aloud or silently.

Example: KS1 have amazing readers who can read with fluency.

Remember: Make sure you understand the meaning of this word and use it in your writing

Curriculum - Splendid Skies - Weather

We are returning to school. In class we will be continuing to expand our knowledge of the weather. Next week we will be looking at the climate in the UK. We will be keeping a record of the weather everyday and think about how we can measure and record the weather.

World Book Day

World book day was a great success. We started our day with our phase assembly. Throughout the day the children were engaged in a range of exciting activities. We created hats with our favourite book character, designed our puppets and we shared a story. Sharing a story encourages a love of reading and it is fun for everyone. It was great when children designed puppets that narrated their very own stories. There was a great deal of reading and sharing of stories. Please keep sharing stories at home with the children!

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

Homework

Even though World Book Day is over we need to remember to read daily. Here are a few really fun activities you can encourage your child to do at home. We are looking forward to hearing the children read when they return to school. Choose one of these fun activities each day to exercise your reading minds!

We are excited to hear what your favourite activity will be!

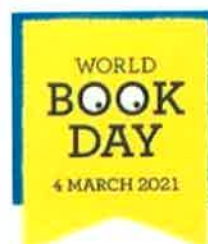
DEAR
Drop Everything and Read!
Starting at 9am, take 5 minutes to read. Then continue every hour. Can you achieve 30 minutes by the end of the day?

Choose a book and re-design a new front cover for it. Don't forget to include the author and illustrator.

Take five different photos of you reading in an unusual place!

Book scavenger hunt!
Can you find the following:
witch, lion, train, rocket,
penguin, woods, flowers,
book, sun, food

Book Talk World Book Day



Write a letter to your favourite author. What would you like to know? What is your favourite book written by them?

Guess Who?
Can you write a description of a book for your family or teacher to guess! You can draw some pictures too!

Take a word walk either inside or outside. See how many words you can read and then write them down. Can you challenge yourself to find more than 10 words?

As it is World Book Day, can you find a book that belongs on each continent. Present this how you like!



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Celebration Page



This week's Top Ten

1. Levon
2. Elizabeth
3. Adiel
4. Jude
5. Besarta
6. Tomas
7. Rihansh
8. Isabelle
9. Adam
10. Maria N

Celebrations!

Congratulations on another successful week of online learning.

On this page, we would like to celebrate the children's achievements in and out of school so parents please do let us know if you are particularly pleased with something your child has achieved at home, we would like to recognise:

- ❖ Good behaviour
- ❖ Excellent attitude to learning
- ❖ Progress
- ❖ High quality work
- ❖ Awards



This week the award goes

to

Egehan

Year 1

For

Consistent engagement with online learning.



Special mention to

Jadon(Hedgehogs)

George (Ladybirds)

Manha (Squirrels)

Children's Work

To celebrate World Book Day, we asked the children to upload a photo of them reading in their favourite place! Here are some of the submissions we have received.



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you know, the more places you will go!"