



# West Ham Church School

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## Upper Key Stage 2

Weekly News Page

Spring 2, Week 4

19th March 2021

### Assessment Week - 22nd March

Next week, we will be carrying out assessments in class in English and Maths. These are a usual part of our school practice in the second half of the spring term; but are particularly valuable at the moment. There will be a mix of formal tests and teacher assessments to help us tailor our teaching to support our pupils as we are aware that they have had such a disrupted year.

Please talk to your child about the importance of a good night's sleep and a healthy, substantial breakfast to help them feel energised and ready to try their best.



### Classes

**Year 5** Wildcats Class ~ Mrs West and Mr Forster

**Year 5** Wolves Class ~ Miss Pandya

**Year 6** Eagles Class ~ Miss Nemeth and Miss Begum

**Year 6** Kingfishers Class ~ Miss Shaw, Phase Leader

Support staff: Ms Ridgley, Mr Botev, Miss Collins and Mrs Aziz

### Country of the Week

Last week's 'Country of the Week' entries were fantastic - it was great to read so much information about Ireland.

The new country of the week is Pakistan.



Children should find out information about Pakistan and present it in a really creative and engaging way. There will be time to present their work towards the end of the week and be in with a chance of becoming Class Geographer.

### UKS2 After School Clubs

Monday - Multi sports

Tuesday - Art

Wednesday - Book & Film Club

Thursday - Gardening

Clubs are to support working parents and will need to be booked and paid for in advance via the school office.

## PE

It is a requirement of the national curriculum for two hours of PE every week for primary school children. This will help with their physical fitness, social skills and mental health. We are extremely fortunate in UKS2 to have PE lessons with our school sports coach and Karate each week.

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit:

- White T-shirt
- Navy shorts
- Trainers (other than usual school shoes)

This must be brought in in a school drawstring bag and kept in school for the remainder of the term.





## Maths

- Arithmetic assessment
- Reasoning assessment: applying maths knowledge to word problems
- Times tables baseline

## English

- Grammar assessment: Grammar hammer and SPaG test
- Reading assessment: reading skills and fluency
- Exploring poetry: Words the Turtle Taught Me

- **Geography:** Juluchuca locality study
- **Science:** Understanding threats to sea turtles
- **Art:** Experimenting with tone
- **PSHE:** Facing challenges and persevering
- **Computing:** Developing debugging skills on Scratch
- **RE:** Standing up for your beliefs

### Year 5 Spellings

amplify  
solidify  
signify  
falsify  
glorify  
notify  
testify  
purify  
intensify  
classify

### Year 6 Spellings

signature  
assign  
design  
designate  
significant  
resignation  
resign  
insignificant  
assignment  
signal

## Homework

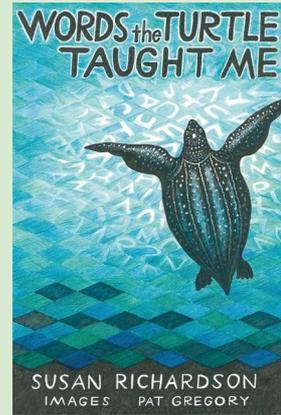
### **Maths:**

- Consolidation of perimeter and area
- Times Tables Rockstars: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

### **English:**

- Reading skills: Summarising on SATs Companion <https://app.satscompanion.com/login>
- Practise this week's spellings - test is on Mondays
- Read an ebook: Collins ebooks: <https://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com>

## Focus text



**WoW:** conservation

## **Challenge Questions:**

1. Which examples of figurative language can you find in the poem?
2. What is the key message the poet is trying to portray?

## How To Support At Home

In school, we have planned a sensitive curriculum to support children and help them with missed learning.

At home, please talk to your child about their learning, listen to their reading and encourage them to practise their handwriting and maths skills such as times tables and mental arithmetic. This will help them to feel more confident in the classroom.



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Celebration Page



## This week's Top Ten

1. Ryan
2. Zane
3. Cagrihan
4. Markuss
5. Nadia
6. Jarif
7. Sahejveer
8. Aliyha
9. Shuraim
10. Tamzidul

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



**Aysha B** for thoughtful contributions and always working hard.



**Kingfishers:** Aisha A for her brilliant work in maths measuring area of shapes and attempting challenges.

**Wolves:** Priyanka for finishing her maths work quickly and pushing herself with extra hard challenge questions on area.

**Eagles:** Sara for brilliant work during maths and great contribution to class discussions during lessons this week.

**Wildcats:** Luiza, for excellent effort in all subjects, and exceptional progress, especially in Maths.

## What Have We Been Up To?

Beaches



Mexico

Human:  
houses

Physical:  
Sea  
sand/beach  
grass



UK

Physical:  
Rocks  
Flowers  
Cliffs  
Sea  
sand

Comparing the UK and Mexico



Using concrete materials to understand ratio



We have enjoyed re-creating key scenes from Macbeth. Here are Wolves class reenacting the final scene from Macbeth.