

Helping your child at home

Reading

Please read with your child every night and sign/date their yellow reading record.

Learning logs

Children will receive a learning log question every Friday which will need to be completed and returned to school by the following **Wednesday**. We ask for Learning Log homework to be your child's work as far as possible and ideas are presented in a creative way (printed pictures, drawings, sentences, making mini books etc). Please see your child's class teacher for help if you need it.

Year 1 area

The Year 1 area is setup with equipment for the children to use. We will be creating models throughout the year we will be making models. Your donations e.g. recycling will be welcomed as long as they are clean!

Reading for Pleasure

Children will be read with twice a week in class. We aim to read from a variety of sources including books, newspapers and digital media. Children will take home a book of their choice, but it is their responsibility to change when finished.

Blogging

All children will be taught how to log on and post comments on their class blog as well as other classes. Usernames and passwords will be sent home. Please ensure these are kept confidential.

Important information

PE

Our PE days are:

Tuesdays and Fridays

It is very important that children have the correct PE kit in school **at all times**. A full PE consists of a white t-shirt, navy shorts and trainers. As the weather gets colder, children are allowed to bring in jogging bottoms and a jumper to wear outside.

Year 1 Team

Ms Keminsky

Class 1.1 Teacher

Miss Moll

Class 1.2 Teacher

Miss Doran

Class 1.3 Teacher

Miss Johnson

Class 1.4 Teacher

Mrs Benham & Miss Ashman

Class 1.5 Teacher & Student Teacher

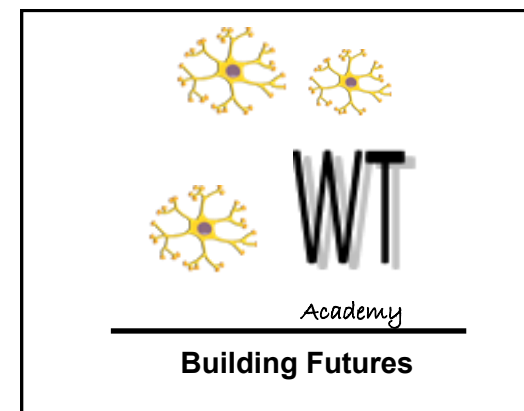
Our Teaching Assistants

WT: Miss Dee, Miss Bailey, Miss Amokrane

CH: Miss Hasnain, Miss Petch, Miss Aziz, Miss R

WEST THORNTON PRIMARY ACADEMY

Curriculum Newsletter



Year 1

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This term...

Welcome to the final term in Year 1! We hope it will be as fun and enjoyable as the past two terms...we sure hope it will be and have lots of fun things planned for the children!

This term our lead subjects will be History, Design and Technology, Science, Geography and Art. All subjects will be taught through Learning challenges taking into account what the children know, would like to know and what they have learnt. This term we will cover 4 topics and in these the children will be developing an awareness of where countries are in the world, locations closer to home, designing process for a purpose, as well as materials and their properties.

Topics covered for this term will include: Who lives in Storybook Houses? BOF—Book Festival, Do we like to be beside the Seaside? And of course...The World Cup.



In Literacy we will be story writing, poetry and non-fiction writing e.g. fact files. We will be focusing on writing sentences and extending them using conjunctions as well as introducing comparative adjectives. We will also look at tense in our writing, using first and third person narrative.

We will continue to place an emphasis on correctly forming cursive handwriting leading to, those children who are ready, moving to using joined up handwriting.

Our main focus in numeracy will be Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Position and Direction. We will then revisit Place Value with a focus on



numbers to 100. Towards the end of the year we will focus on Time and Money.

We will be holding a Reading and Writing workshop this term to talk through how our reading scheme works and the end of year writing expectations in preparation for Year 2.

Each child has a reading scheme book which must be brought to school everyday. Children can also choose a book from the book corner. Parents are asked and encouraged to listen to their child read the reading scheme book or a book of their choice on a daily basis and write a comment and sign the reading record book.

A teacher will read and sign the reading record once a week when your child has been read with 1:1 by their class teacher. **Your child will only have their reading scheme book changed once a week when the class teacher has highlighted that they have returned the book to school.**

As usual if you have any questions or problems please do not hesitate in contacting us. Teachers are available to speak to parents **after** school, or if this is not convenient, please phone and make an appointment. Please note that it is extremely difficult to speak to parents after the morning bell has gone as we are legally responsible for the children in our class.

Thank you for your continued support.



Dates for your diary

Monday 28th May– Friday 1st June

Half Term Holidays

Monday 4th June

School reopens

Week beginning 11th June 2018

Phonics Screening Check

Wednesday 27th June 2018

1.1, 1.2, 1.3 Littlehampton

Thursday 28th June 2018

1.4 and 1.5 Littlehampton

Wednesday 11th July 2018

Reports go out to parents

Thursday 12th July 2018

Parents Evening

Monday 16th July 2018

Change over morning at Rosecourt Road

Tuesday 17th July 2018

Change over morning at Canterbury Hub

Last day of term –Canterbury Hub

Friday 20th July 2018

Last day of term – Rosecourt Road