

## Helping your child at home

### 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**.

### Timetables

This half term we will be focusing on all 12 basic times tables. Please practice these in and out of order with your child.

### Blogging

Our Blogging Website has had an enormous impact on the children's writing over the past year, giving them a world wide audience for their work and opinions. Please visit the site and encourage members of your family across the world to log on and see what we have been learning about!

[www.westthorntonblogs.net](http://www.westthorntonblogs.net)

### Home learning.

The children in year four have various learning platforms to use while at home.

Times Table Rock Stars is available as an app or online and the children's log ins will allow them to play anywhere and at anytime.

They also have access to Google Classroom where small tasks may be available and Mathletics which is a maths program with many games and practice tools.

## Important information

### PE

#### Our PE days are:

It is very important that children have the correct PE kit in school, consisting of a white t shirt, black/blue shorts and plimsoles/trainers. As the weather gets colder, children are allowed to bring in black/blue jogging bottoms and a black/blue jumper to wear outside. PE is a compulsory part of the curriculum. Since our curriculum is flexible, it is essential that your child has their kit in school **every single day**.

### Early Start & Learning Toolkits

Year 4 pupils are invited to arrive at school from **8.45am** in order to organise themselves and start their day with a thought provoking question. All children have been issued with a 'Learning Toolkit' which is a bag containing personal earphones, a USB stick, pencils, rubber and whiteboard pen. .

### Year 4 Team

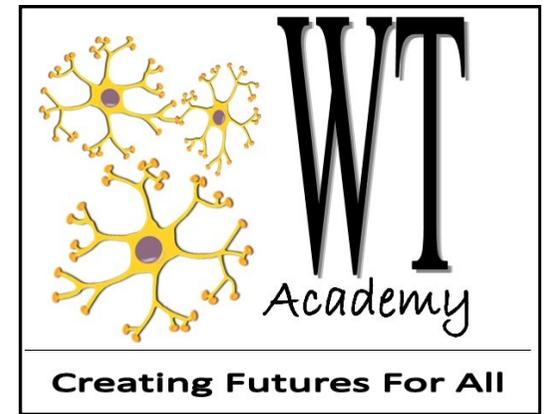
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## WEST THORNTON PRIMARY ACADEMY

### Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term



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## Summer Term

The summer term has burst into life with our brilliant trip to Butser Farm. Thank you to the parents who came with us and volunteered. For the teachers it is the best trip of the year and it was clear the children gained a lot from the day and now have tangible experiences that they can relate to the topic going forward.



Especially, the tour of the roman villa that lets the children see first hand how the roman aristocracy would have lived.

This term is all about The Romans and the children will be learning about the gory gladiator battles, the amazing inventions created by the Romans, with technological advances way beyond their years and the roman army with its great tactics. In this time the children will be creating shields and catapults learning about Julius Caesar and murderous Emperors while also creating bar graphs and charts all about the greatest inventions created by the romans, including roads, concrete and central heating.

In maths, the children will be consolidating a lot of what they have already learnt this year and this term is the final push to get

the children to a place where they can move up to year 5 confident that they have learnt everything necessary for next year. While that is all happening we are also learning how to complete bar graphs and compile our own data and looking at co-ordinates and translation of shape on grids.

The last week of this half term is BOF week where it is our aim to have child's work published and available for download by the end of the week. To help with this children will have experiences with, publishers, producers and writers across the week.

The year 2018 sees Russia host the World Cup and with that the school takes two weeks to look at everything football. From transfer fees for Maths to destinations for Geography. The 32 teams will be looked and researched for data handling. The children will be fully immersed in the world's leading sporting event.

As teachers we are very excited by this term and we hope you will be too. Please continue to read daily with your children and to practice their times tables with them.

## Dates for your diary

### *Parents Evening*

12th July 2018

### **BOF week**

21st–25th May 2018

### **Half Term**

28th May–1 June 2018



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