



Year 5 Hummingbirds

Newsletter



Warlingham Village
Primary School

Summer Term

2018



I hope you all had a relaxing Easter. This term we will be working hard preparing for the transition to year 6. I am exceptionally proud of the work that Hummingbirds have achieved so far and look forward to continuing this in the coming term.

Homework

*Homework will now be handed out on **Wednesday** and should be returned to school on **Monday**. Homework this term will continue to consist of the following:*

A written task. This will either be Maths or English. I like to create homework that helps the children in the topic work, this term we will mainly be focussing on mountains. It is planned to suit the needs of your child and should not require lots of support. If your child is having difficulty please let me know either by writing a comment in the homework book, filling in a slip from reception or speaking to me directly.

Spellings. Your child will continue to get 10 words a week. We recommend that in order to learn them they write a sentence for each word. The sentence should be an extended sentence and use joined handwriting. The spelling tests occur throughout the week. Please make sure your child brings their reading record in on their spelling day.

Times Tables. Children should be reminded to learn all of their timetables. They are tested regularly and this skill is used on a daily basis in their maths lessons.

*A book will be sent home for your child to read to / with an adult. After the book has been read, ask questions about the characters settings and plot in the book. We will change the books every **Tuesday**. Please ensure that their books are brought into school on this day regardless of whether it needs changing. Your child's book will only be changed if an adult has recorded in the reading record book, that the child has finished the book.*

Take-Away Homework

The children made a good effort, last term, with their take-away homework. Many children were rightly really proud of their work and enjoyed sharing their effort with others. Please keep a record of how many points you earn over the term. Spare copies of the take-away menu are in the office.

Reading

Books are from home are also welcomed for early morning/post lunchtime reading. Please make sure they are named.

PE

*This will continue to occur on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure PE kits are in school on this day. PE is a compulsory part of the school curriculum and your child **MUST** have a letter if they are unable to participate in this subject.*

School Visits

We will be attending Warlingham School on Monday 25th June for a Science workshop, a letter will be sent out with further details of timings. As discussed at 'meet the teacher evening' last year, we will be having a visit from a nurse to talk about personal hygiene and puberty. You will receive a letter with more details closer to the visit.

Message from Mrs Hallett

We hope you like our new school logo. You will see it starting to appear more and more around the school. Please do not be concerned about uniform. We will not be asking anyone to make any replacements.

If you have not already, please let the office know that you would like to follow the school on Twitter. You can follow as on @Warlingham_Vill.

Please also keep an eye on our website. We are putting more information on it to support learning at home and to keep you up to date with what is happening at school.

We hope, like us, you are all looking forward to an exciting summer term!



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English

In English this term we will focus on the following themes:

Mountains.

Fictional and non-fictional writing.

Persuasive and discursive writing.

Formal and informal language.

We also continue to focus on sentence construction and ensuring our sentences are grammatically correct. This term we are looking forward to being able to study a book as part of the new mountains topic called 'Brockenspectre', which will help the children to engage in some exciting forms of writing. We will also aim to consolidate knowledge of punctuation and grammar.

Our Science topics are Living Things

In these topics we will learn:

To identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and explain the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood (including the pulse and clotting).

To describe the life cycles common to a variety of animals, including humans (birth, growth, development, reproduction, death), and to a variety of plants (growth, reproduction and death).

To recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way human bodies function.

To describe the changes as humans develop from birth to old age.

The areas of Mathematics that we will cover this term include:

Solving multi-step word problems using the main operations.

Developing written methods for the main operations.

Angles

Geometry

Translation

Measurement

Perimeter and Area

Measure and Volume

Rules for BODMAS

As a reminder, please continue to use the fluency booklet that comes home weekly. This will help to develop your child's mathematical knowledge and introduce them to the topics that they will be studying.

Discovery Curriculum

Our main topic this term is Mountains. We will be learning the Geographical locations of famous mountain ranges, mountain habitats, animals living in mountain ranges, vegetation, how mountains are formed and famous mountain expeditions.

Take away homework will revolve around this topic with some exciting tasks to complete.