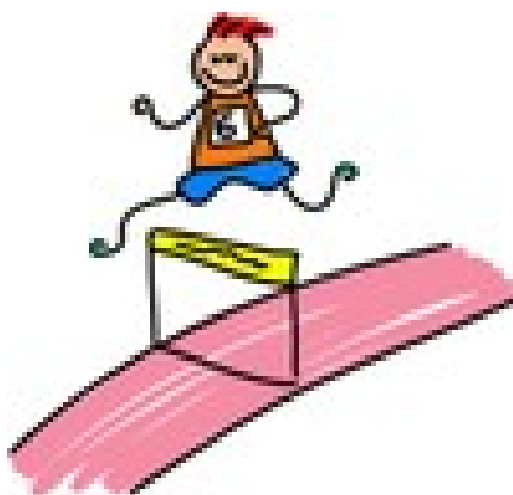


Welwyn St. Mary's Primary School

Summer Term

2023



Year 3



English



English is taught daily alongside guided reading. We will continue to teach English with an emphasis on 'talk for writing' to improve children's speaking and listening skills. This feeds into their writing allowing them to write at greater length and with an improved vocabulary.



This term we will gather information from non-fiction books to support our Hinduism and Stone Age topics. We will read and write a variety of poetry as well as studying some adventure stories. Spelling homework will continue to be given out and tested on Mondays. Thank you for supporting your child with their spelling homework.



Please ensure that your child continues to read at home for at least 10 minutes daily and that you complete their Home Learning Record by commenting and signing it at the end of each week. It is also beneficial if you read to your child daily where possible.



Please feel free to comment on any additional home learning your child has completed so we can celebrate it at school.



Please encourage your child to continue to learn their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables, including division facts, to enable accurate and rapid recall. We will continue with tests on Fridays. TT Rockstars can be used at home and is a fun way of learning tables.



Mental maths books will be sent out to support learning in maths on Friday, to be returned by **Wednesday please**.



RE

Hinduism and Kingdom of God are our topics for this term. The Kingdom of God unit looks at Pentecost and will be studied in the first half of this term. We will be learning about customs, traditions and celebrations in Hinduism and its origins in India. We will compare and contrast Hinduism and Christianity and we will link what we find out to our own experiences of celebrating.



Science

Our science topics for this term are 'We are astronauts' and 'Light and Shadow'. The children will be exploring the phases of the moon and learning about space exploration and lunar modules. In 'Light and Shadow' they will investigate the size and shape of shadows





and how they are formed. We hope to make, and enjoy using, shadow puppets in a mini theatre - a great link with Indian shadow puppets.



Computing



This term our topic is coding. This is an essential part of our computing curriculum. All of which will be taught through Purple Mash. Please read the Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement/E-safety rules.



History



We will also be finding out about the period referred to as pre-history covering the time of the Stone Age to Iron Age. To enhance our learning in this topic we will be enjoying a visit to Celtic Harmony Camp.



Art and D & T



In D & T we will be making our own 'Models that Move' using pneumatics. This will focus on making air propelled rockets



In art we will be exploring colour and light, looking at pattern in Hindu art and making shadow puppets.



PE



PE lessons will be on Tuesday for both classes. We will be choreographing and learning a dance for the year 3 and 4 production. We swim on a Thursday. After half term, we will continue to swim on Thursdays and learn



the rules of Tag Rugby on our other PE day.



It is essential that **all kit is clearly named**.



Sports Uniform is:



- School PE maroon polo shirt with house coloured lettering (Blue - Normans, Red - Vikings, Green - Romans, Yellow - Saxons).
- **Plain** black P.E. shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings.
- School PE hoodie, with house colour lettering.
- Trainers for outdoor games - please check they fit; children often return to school after a holiday with footwear that is too small.



Music

This term we will use the Charanga music unit 'Bring us Together' and learn song for the year three and four show. Mrs Harrison will teach a dedicated music lesson every other week.



French

Madame Farrington will teach both classes French with vocabulary being reinforced in class on a daily basis. We are sure your child will be keen to share their new skills at home. The topics we are covering this term are:



- 'On fait la fete' (Celebrations) in which the children learn language relating to celebrations of special occasions and of their achievements in activities and games. They also learn to say the name of the month in which they celebrate their birthday.
- 'Portraits' in which the children learn the names for the main parts of the body and describe colours. They ask and answer questions about physical appearance.

Summer School Uniform

Our school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral as possible.

School Uniform	
Trousers, shorts, skirt, pinafore	Grey
Polo shirt, shirt, blouse (with or without logo)	White
School sweatshirt, cardigan *(with or without logo)	Maroon
Plain sensible shoes (no trainers, sandals or boots)	Black
Socks/tights (not trainer socks)	Plain grey
School pink check cotton dress and plain white socks (maybe worn in summer term and up to October half term only)	
*Preferably children should have one sweatshirt or cardigan with a logo	

Additional items
Water bottle
Sun hat (in summer)
Reception and Year 1 - School book bag from uniform supplier
Year 2 - Year 6 - Small rucksack
Hair accessories- small plain clips, bands, ribbons in brown, black or maroon
Key stage 2 - Shin pads for hockey and football
Optional fleece or jacket with school logo for outdoor use

Keep checking the newsletters for any new events or changes.

Thank you!

Finally, thank you for continuing to support your child with their reading, spelling, maths and other projects at home.

Year three team