WEST HADDON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 1

Year 3

Welcome

Welcome back to school and to Year 3. I hope that you all enjoyed your summer! We are really looking forward to this term as we have lots of exciting topics for the children.

Home time: Year 3 will be leaving via the furthest hall door. It would be really helpful if you could wave to me to help identify who you are when I am giving out the children at home time, as this makes the process much quicker. Thank you.

Maths

In Year 3, the children concentrate on the x2, x5, x10, x3, x4 and x8 times tables in preparation for the times tables test at the end of Year 4. Each week, your child's target times table will be written on their homework sheet for them to practise daily at home. The more practice they get now, the more enabled they will be when they complete the test. A helpful online tool for the children to practise for this is: https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-

Our maths focuses for terms 1 and 2 are place value (3 digit numbers) and the four operations. The children will make links with their learning in Year 2 by building upon the jottings they made to include 3 digit numbers.

Keeping in Touch

If you need to contact me. The best way is to speak to me is at the door at the end of the day. Alternatively you can phone or email the school office who can get a message to me. office@westhaddon.northants.sch.uk

Topic

Our topic for this term until Christmas is, **Ancient Greece.** We will have an Ancient Greece Wow Day on **Wednesday 30th September** when the children can come dressed as a person during Ancient Greek Times, if they would like to. We'll be doing lots of fun art activities that day as well as learning all about Ancient Greece!

Homework

In Year 3 the maths and English homework consolidates the work we have learnt in class that week so your child will already be familiar with the topic. Homework will be set on a Thursday and needs to be handed in by Wednesday.

The children will be asked to spend time practising their times tables, reading and learning their weekly spellings. Please help your child to mark their homework before handing in. Spelling tests will take place on a Thursday starting WB September 14th – your child will be given the list of words with their homework each week.

Our Value for this month is

Friendship

English

In our English lessons we will be learning about Greek Myths and writing our own mythical story. The children will also be looking at diary writing and play scripts.

Spellings

We are having a big push on spellings this year to support the children's writing. Please try to practise spellings daily to help them retain their spelling knowledge beyond the weekly test. Their spelling book will come home each week to show you their score and the words that still need to practise.

Reading Books

The children have the exciting responsibility of changing their own reading book once they are on a numbered stage this year. I'm sure they will enjoy doing this! The children can change their reading books during morning registration as often as they like, within their given stage. Some children forget to begin with, so to help them remember, just send them in with their reading book and record in their hand as they come in during morning registration. **The reading record will be checked weekly to ensure the children have read with an adult at home at least twice in a week (signed/ initialled by an adult.**

This term, our class reading book is '***The Diary of a Killer Cat***'.