

Westlands Primary School



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VCC/ELB/PLH/Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter/Term 5 of 2016-17

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 5 in Year 1! We hope you had a relaxing break.

Below are the topics that we will be studying in term 5. Please talk with your child about what they will be learning. If you are able to you could visit the library or use the Internet together to do any extra research. Please bring any findings or creations into school to share with us – we love extra learning!

Subject	Term 5
Literacy	The children will have daily Read Write Inc sessions to secure their understanding of phonics and spelling and develop their reading
	skills. When writing, we will be looking at understanding basic connectives (and, but, because), describing words and we will be looking at word endings (ed, ing, s). We will be retelling stories, writing fact files, describing Castles, writing poems and developing longer sentences.
Numeracy	Place value (splitting numbers into tens and ones), doubles, adding and taking away, word problems, multiplication & division, time and directions in movement.
Science	Seasonal change and materials.
ICT	Bee bots – programming a robot to move E-safety Interactive games
Topic	Castles
R.E.	Judaism
P.S.H.E.	Protecting the environment
P.E	"Real PE" (development of physical skills)
Music	Weekly music lessons

Future dates for your diary

7th July – reports out to parents (Term 6)

24th July - INSET (Term 6)

PΕ

Children will need a PE kit in school every day. The kit should include a change of t-shirt and shorts and plimsolls. Long hair must be tied back with a hair band. Please can you provide a note if your child is unable to take part in PE.

PE Days

PE hall days are currently Monday (Topaz) and Friday (Garnet) but with the building work restricting hall availability our PE days may change. We are also using the field if the weather is nice.

Uniform

Children should be wearing black shoes. We would also like to remind you that necklaces are not part of the school uniform and therefore should not be worn. Nail varnish should also be removed.

Homework

It is expected that the children should read at least three times a week. Please sign in their reading record book when they have read. This can be <u>any</u> reading books from home as well as school books. School reading books will be changed, if read, on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. It is important that your child reads on a regular basis and brings their book bag daily.

The children have additional reading activities to complete at home on Bug Club (www.bugclub.co.uk). They also may use Mathletics for additional maths activities (http://www.mathletics.co.uk/).

The children are really growing in all aspects of school and they continue to impress us with their enthusiasm for learning!

If you have any questions or worries, please do not hesitate to use the contact book or we can make an appointment for you to come in and see us.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Miss Huggens

Miss Arthurs