



Windermere Primary School

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Dear Year 1/2 parents,
We hope you had a lovely summer break with your families and that the children are looking forward to returning to school and their new class.

We will be doing lots of exciting learning during this Autumn Term as detailed below-

English

- We will be learning how to write using description, in a story, in poetry and instructions creatively using different texts as a stimulus.
- We will be doing guided reading in groups- the book will go home to be read three times to an adult over the following week on **Friday** and the reading record is to be signed by the adult so that your child can earn their reading reward. The children will need to keep it in their book bag as it will be needed in school every day. The books are taken in on Wednesday.
- The children will also choose a reading for pleasure book from the library.
- Phonics/spelling will be taught in groups daily.

Maths

- Number- place value within 20
- Number- addition and subtraction
- Number- place value within 100
- Geometry- shape

Science

In science we will be exploring uses of everyday materials using a variety of scientific skills. We will also find out how materials can be changed. We will learn about life cycles and health.

Art

In art we will be introducing the idea that artists can be collectors and explorers as the children develop their drawing and composition skills.

Computing

- IT around us
- Digital photography
- E-safety- self-image and identity, and online relationships



Design and technology

In DT we will be exploring and making mechanisms- wheels and axles.

Geography

In geography we will recap the names of the UK countries and think about the characteristics of each, and learn the names and locations of the continents, oceans and seas and their relation to the equator.

History

In history we will learn about and compare the explorers Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong.

PE

In PE will develop our skills in team building, gymnastics pathways and ball skills.

Our PE days will be Tuesday and Friday and we expect the children to have their PE kit in school (plimsolls or trainers- separate to everyday trainers, red or white t-shirt, black shorts (girls may wear black leggings), black tracksuits can be worn in cold weather.

RE

In RE the topics we cover this term are:

- What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings? Part 1
- What is the good news Christians believe Jesus brings? Part 2

Music

Our music topics are as follows-

- Hands, feet, heart
- Ho, ho, ho

Homework

Your child's homework will include daily reading, practising weekly spellings and practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's ready for multiplication.

Please ensure all items of clothing are named and your child has a named water bottle in class every day.

Kind regards

Mrs Clewett, Mrs Adams and Mrs Wilson