



Westlands Primary School

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VTP/ELB/JYB/Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter/Term 2 of 2020-2021

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have done very well indeed in settling back into the routine of school and they have certainly worked hard all term. We have seen some fabulous learning in all subjects and been impressed by their resilience.

Homework/Reading

Please ensure that your child is reading regularly at home. Each class has a Get Epic reading account. Teachers can see how much your child has read, which books and even if they have skipped through pages, It is a really helpful platform for checking their reading. Please go to <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in> and choose the class code for your child:

Titanium nuj7657

Platinum kwn8256

Palladium nix9843

Following changes at Get Epic - it is now only accessible between 7am and 4pm from home.

To ensure that children have free online reading resources, we have Oxford Owl accounts for each class - and it is available at any time. Please go to: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in>

Titanium:

username - titanium20 and password Westlands20

Platinum

username - platinum2020 and password Westlands20

Palladium

username - palladium2020 and password westlands20

Homework tasks will be set on Google Classroom. Our class code is 5sd6aad. There will be google forms uploaded, so that answers can be submitted and marked from the forms. Children can also complete their work as a google document and upload it for teachers, should they prefer to do this. They have had a lesson in school to ensure that they are familiar with this process and have practised submitting work.

Curriculum

Below are the topics that we will be studying in Term 2:

Subject	Term 2
English	Crime and Punishment linked texts (fiction and nonfiction - a range of texts) Descriptive writing

	<p>Narrative Newspaper report Information text Winter Writing</p> <p>We will also be reading some of L Frank Baum 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz' in reading sessions.</p>
Maths	<p>Number Adding fractions Subtracting fractions Problem solving with fractions Multiplying fractions Dividing fractions Problem solving with fractions</p>
Science	<p>Adaptation and Evolution Adaptation and Evolution Adaptations Evolution Inheritance Theory of evolution - Darwinism Evidence for evolution</p>
Computing	<p>Digital Literacy Coding Using code Creating a project such as game using code apps and app development</p>
Topic	<p>Crime and Punishment Victorian Crime and Punishment Capital punishment in the UK (looking at schools in the past) Corporal punishment and its abolition in Britain Terrorism Modern Crime and how crime has changed over time</p>
R.E.	<p>Christianity and Judaism This year we are teaching RE with a whole school focus. There will be a termly whole school RE days to provide the children with rich learning opportunities.</p>
Art and DT	<p>DT week Making a toy using mechanisms</p>
French	<p>My home Learning basic phrases, with correct pronunciation to describe where you live.</p>
P.E	<p>Creative Listening Engaging Giving feedback in games for improvement</p>
Music	<p>Charanga Unit 2 'Classroom Jazz' Bacharach Anorak and Meet The Blues.</p>
PSHE	<p>Global citizenship Understanding differences Power struggles Bullying What is normal? Paralympians</p>

PE

PE will be every TUESDAY for all year 6 classes and children will need to wear their full PE kit to school. They will not be able to get changed at school.

Swimming

Please ensure that children bring swimming kits to school on a Wednesday - following the timetable below.

Term 1 & 4	Palladium & Platinum
Term 2 & 5	Platinum & Titanium
Term 3 & 6	Titanium & Palladium

Uniform

Children should be wearing black shoes. Black trainers are not acceptable. An increasing number of children are wearing these to school; please ensure that your child has the correct footwear. All children should be wearing their tie to school every day as well as their blazer. We would also like to remind you that necklaces, bracelets, large bows, bangles etc. are not part of the school uniform and therefore should not be worn. Nail varnish should also be removed.

Please can you also ensure that children have the correct PE kit. Tracksuit sweatshirts and hoodies are fine - but no cropped ones please The PE kit is as follows:

Navy blue shorts

White t-shirt

Black or white plimsolls for indoor PE Year R do not require a PE kit

Plain navy blue tracksuit

Black or white trainers for outdoor PE

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Burr

Assistant Headteacher

Year 6 Lead