

### **Curriculum subjects**

Over the next half term your children will be working hard in preparation for their transition into Year Two. Summer Two gives children the opportunity to participate in sporting events and outdoor learning. I have high expectations for each child and like to work in partnership with parents.

### **Phonics and Spelling**

We will continue to review all known phonemes in Phases 2 – 5 and learn new pronunciations and exceptions to the rules. We will focus on reading and spelling HFWs. Our focus will also move to grammatical rules including prefixes and suffixes.

### **Reading**

Please continue to listen to your child read for 15 minutes daily and log this in their reading record at least 3 times a week. Children will be grouped for weekly guided reading sessions where we will be looking at Traditional Tales. We will continue to work on comprehension and inference. Children will read or listen to a text then answer questions (both verbal and written). We will continue to learn new key words.

### **Writing**

This half term we are going to write a diary. We will write our own diary first, then write from the point of view of a deep sea diver, to tie in with our 'Under the sea' topic. Our grammatical focus will be on using the past tense. We will also try our hand at poetry, writing short rhyming poems about the ocean.

### **Maths**

This half term we will be investigating measurement. We will revisit place value and geometry with a focus on numbers up to 100 and 3D shapes. We will learn about British coins and their values and begin to work on worded problem solving. The children will continue their daily mental maths sessions

### **Religious Education**

This half term we will be learning about Judaism. We will continue our learning by looking at Jewish festivals and their importance to children. We will focus on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

### **Computing**

We will be using laptops in Maths to investigate capacity and measurement. The children will be using our new wifi bee bots to predict and build routes around the 'world' to support our topic learning.

### **Topic**

Our topic this half term is 'Under the sea'. We will be learning about underwater habitats and the types of animal that live there. We will learn about the different oceans and continents. We will investigate the differences between manmade and natural geographical features of our coasts and seas.

### **Science**

We will be learning about sea animals in our topic work. We will look at the different layers of the ocean and what lives there. We will watch carefully for changes in our environment as the seasons change. The children will have the opportunity to conduct a fair test and learn why this is important.

### **PE**

This half term we will be practising athletics in time for sports day! We will also be continuing our yoga and relaxation exercises every day, working on core strength as well as gross and fine motor skills.

### **Home Learning**

Please read with your child for 15 minutes daily and record this at least 3 times a week in their reading record. Children will be given spellings and key words to learn each week. As well as reading key words, children are expected to spell these correctly. Homework will be given on Fridays.

### Core Christian Values

We are constantly showing our Christian values. This half term we will be looking for ways to show Love, Fellowship and Righteousness in our school day.

### Music

During this half of this term, the children will not be receiving music lessons. We will continue to participate in worship through singing each week. We will also be learning a song to accompany the Year Two mini musical.

### Forest School

This half term Year One will be taking part in forest school session on a Thursday afternoon. They will need sun cream, sunhat, old joggers/leggings, long sleeved t-shirt, jumper, wellies, socks. The children will be outside for forest school whatever the weather; please ensure they are properly prepared!

### Dates for your diary:

#### June

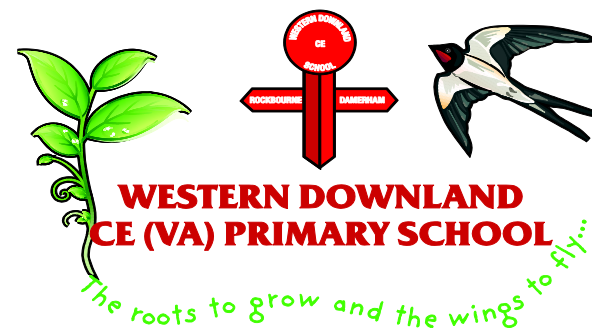
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – non-uniform day
- 24<sup>th</sup> – school summer fair
- 29<sup>th</sup> – school open morning

#### July

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – transition week
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Burgate Olympics
- 14<sup>th</sup> – variety show
- 18<sup>th</sup> – sports day
- 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> – parent consultations
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Blue Reef trip
- 21<sup>st</sup> – school disco
- 25<sup>th</sup> – leaver's service and last day of term

#### September

- 5<sup>th</sup> – first day of Autumn term 2017/18



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