

DAYS TO REMEMBER

Monday	10 mins read out loud and record Practise spellings
Tuesday	Homework due in 10 mins read out loud and record Practise spellings
Wednesday	Wear PE clothes to school 10 mins read out loud and record Practise spellings
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Friday	Wear PE clothes to school Weekly homework & spellings set Spelling quiz at school 10 mins read out loud and record

Reading at home

All children at West Hill are expected to read out loud to an adult for at least 10 minutes each evening and ask them questions about what they have read and what they think might happen next. This should be recorded in the reading record. Every time you sign your child's reading record they get a sticker for their bookmark. Every completed book mark goes into a draw. At the end of each term the winner of the draw gets a book voucher to spend. Please read a story to your child at bedtime each night as well as visiting your local library each week if you can.

School Uniform

The uniform consists of:

Boys	Girls
Pale blue polo shirt Grey Trousers Grey shorts (Summer Term) West Hill sweatshirt Black trainers	Pale Blue blouse or polo shirt Grey skirt or trousers Blue checked dress (summer) West Hill sweatshirt Black trainers
	Plain blue or black hairbands Plain blue/ black headscarves

Year 2 book recommendations

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE



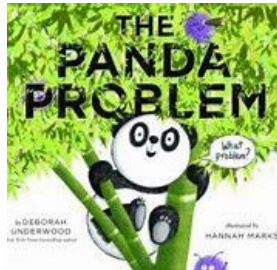
STORY AND PICTURES BY MAURICE SENDAK

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak.

Max, sent supper less to bed for behaving like a "Wild Thing,"

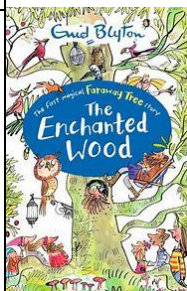
creates for himself a world of Wild Things with whom he revels as their king.

The Panda Problem by Deborah Underwood



Every story needs a problem.
But Panda doesn't have a problem.
Unless . . . Panda is the problem.

In this funny story the main character, Panda, takes over telling the story from the narrator.



The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton

This would be a great book to read to think about different settings with your child. Could you choose between the Land of Birthdays or the Land of Toys? This is a classic and captivating story set in a magical land.

Nurturing Principles

We believe in ourselves.

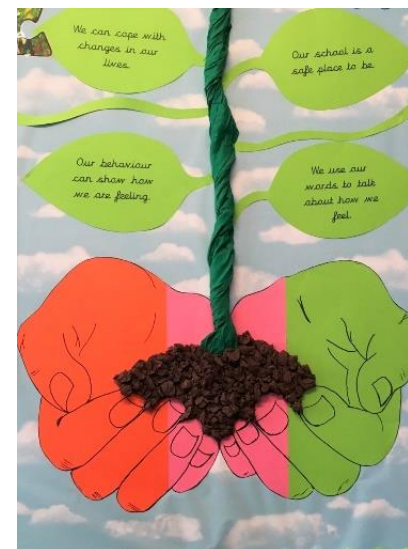
We all learn in our own way and in our own way.

We use our own words to talk about how we are feeling.

We can cope with the changes in our lives.

Our feelings can show how we are feeling.

Our school is a safe place to be.



E-Safety:

Please use the websites below to look for help and support with keeping children safe online.

<https://www.childnet.com/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Maths

Length and Height

In maths this half term, our topics include 'length and height' and 'position and direction'.

Time

We will be learning about O'clock, half- past, Quarter-past and Quarter-to

Fractions

We will be using shapes to help us find $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$. We will then move onto finding fractions of amounts.

Computing

We are researchers! We will be using the internet to research The Battle of Hastings. Then we will use Explain Everything to present what we have found out.

Art

We will be developing our art and design skills this half term. We will be learning that patterns can be made using shapes and they can be used to add detail to an art work.

Music

Our musical focus this half term is pitch. Animal movement is linked with pitch to help children develop understanding and recognition of changing pitch.

Physical Education

This half term we will be developing our Cheerleading skills with Rachael, our specialist PE teacher from Kick London. We will also be continuing with our Cricket lessons with a specialist coach.



YEAR 2

Spring 2

Topic: Why is the Battle of Hastings important?



History

We will be learning about one of the most famous battles in English history. We will look at the Bayeux Tapestry for clues about what happened and finding out about the key people involved.

Dates for your diary

Tues 28th Feb - Barnardo's workshop Years 1 - 6

Fri 3rd March - World Book Day for West Hill

Fri 3rd March - KS2 Reading for Pleasure parent's workshop - Tara from LTLTR and Jane A

Mon 6th March - Magic Breakfast launch

Fri 17th March - Red Nose Day (fundraising for Turkey and Syria)

Wed 29th March - Rock Steady Concert 2:30 bottom hall

English

This half term we will be reading 'Where the Wild things Are'. We will be using this book to describe it's setting and then create our own. Then we will be writing instructions on how to catch a Wild Thing.

We will continue to refine our handwriting and writing in full sentences. Encourage your child to start their sentences with capital letters and end them with a full stop.

Here is a video to teach your child how to form their letters correctly at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijd45Qddxfo>

Science

Uses of every day materials

How do materials change shape? Are they natural or man-made? How is wool made? Which materials are waterproof? Which materials are reflective? These are some of the questions we will be finding out answers to. We will also be planting some beans towards the end of the spring term.

Religious Education

In RE this half term, we will be learning about stories told by and about Jesus. We will cover the Easter story and we also hope to visit a local church.

PSHE & RSE

The children will be sharing their opinions on topics that matter to them. We will identify and respect differences and similarities between people and also identify special people in our lives and think about the roles they play.