

## YEAR 1

Classes: Bumblebee, Ladybird and Laurel

Topic for the Term: Pirates!

**Key Question: How have legends inspired the stories we tell today?**



At the end of Term 5, we will be having a Pirate Party.

### English

We will be reading *The Pirates Next Door* by Jonny Duddle, *The Night Pirates* by Peter Harris, and *Pirates Love Underpants* by Claire Freedman and Ben Cort.

We will be writing for a variety of purposes, including diary entries and short narratives. We will continue to focus on sentence structure and using phonics to spell.

### Maths

We will be learning to recognise and explore 3D shapes; describe position, direction and movement; order numbers and objects using place value and ordinal language; count forwards and backwards in fives; begin to tell the time using clocks and recognise and build patterns using objects.

### Science

We will be learning to identify and describe different materials and their properties, including wood, plastic, glass, metal and rock. We will carry out simple tests, making observations and recording findings.

### History

We will be learning about pirates in the past, including Blackbeard and Ann Bonny. We will use historical objects and famous stories to start to distinguish between fact and legend.

### Geography

We will be using world maps, atlases and globes to identify the UK and its four countries. We will learn to describe the characteristics of the different countries of the UK and compare them to places visited by famous historical pirates.

### RE

We will be learning about the importance of Shabbat in Jewish family life.

### Art and DT

In DT we will be designing a boat and a flag for a pirate.

In Art we will be creating a portrait of myself and as a pirate.

### Computing

We will be learning to use digital programmes to present data.

### PSHE

Managing feelings and emotions, including mindfulness and positive thinking.

## Homework

At Warren Wood Primary Academy, we believe that homework makes an important contribution to your child's learning. Homework can provide the opportunity to reinforce work completed at school or prepare for work coming up. It gives your child the opportunity to work independently, although you should support your child and take an interest in the work they are completing.

We expect children to read a minimum of three times a week. All children who are reading Bug Club books are allocated a selection of books that can be read via the Bug Club website. These are linked to their phonic phase. Reading online is our preferred method of home reading but if you prefer your child to have a physical book, we change reading books twice a week. Children who are using Accelerated Reader can change books once they have taken a comprehension quiz on Accelerated Reader.

Children can also find books to read on MyON. Class teachers often set a 'reading project' where they will select books for the children, based on Topic learning or the children's interests.

Spellings will be sent home weekly to learn.

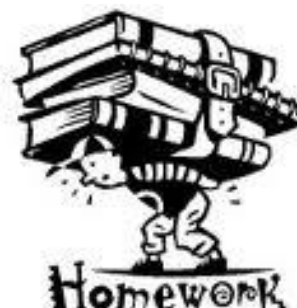
Maths is set weekly on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday. Children are also encouraged to use Numbots to practise their number bonds.

Homework:

Weekly spellings, sent home on Friday.

Maths: weekly - set on Friday, return by Wednesday, plus Numbots and TTRS practice.

Reading: minimum 3 x times a week. Please look out for suggested reading projects on MyON.



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### Skills for Life passport activities

The following activities are part of our Skills for Life passport that can be completed at home. Please send evidence of completion to the class email addresses so that the children's passports can be stamped in school.

- I can play a board game.
- I can follow a recipe.

### Uniform / PE Kit



We would ask that all children wear appropriate uniform at all times, including house team T-shirts for PE (available to purchase through Parent Pay). If there is a particular reason why your child is not in full uniform, please email the school.

If your child is unable to participate in PE lessons on any given day, please forward us an explanation. The easiest and most convenient way to contact us is through the class email addresses (please see below in the 'contacting the teacher' section).

Appropriate PE kit is important for safety and hygiene reasons, (black shorts, house coloured T shirt, black tracksuit and trainers or plimsolls). We will contact parents if children forget kit repeatedly. Children will not be permitted to participate in PE lessons if they are wearing earrings: these will need to be removed beforehand. **Year 1 PE days are every Monday (cricket) and Tuesday (tri-golf). Laurel Class PE days are Monday and Wednesday – on these days, children should wear their PE kit into school, rather than bring it in separately.**

## Contacting the teacher

Teacher contact should be made using the following email addresses:

Bumblebee Class: [wwbumblebee@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk](mailto:wwbumblebee@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk)

Ladybird Class: [wwladybird@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk](mailto:wwladybird@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk)

Laurel Class: [wwlaurel@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk](mailto:wwlaurel@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk)

You can also contact the office via phone for information. If you need your child's teacher to phone you back, the office will let us know and we will phone you back at the earliest possible opportunity.



### Bumblebee Class

Teacher: Mrs Piper

Student Teacher: Miss Compton

### Ladybird Class

Teacher: Mrs Lawns

Teaching Assistant: Miss Grimson

### Laurel Class

Teacher: Miss Simpson

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Porter

