

YEAR 1

Classes: Bumblebee, Ladybird and Laurel

Topic for the Term: Space



Key Question: How do the planets in our solar system differ?

At the end of Term 3, we will be holding a Space WOW day, where we will designing and making our own rockets.

English

We will be reading fiction texts: 'Toys In Space' by Mini Grey and 'Man On The Moon' by Simon Bartram.

And non-fiction: 'Professor Astro Cat's Solar System' by Dr. Dominic Walliman and Ben Newham. We will be writing for a variety of purposes, including descriptive writing about Space and a diary entry in role as an astronaut. Using phonics for spelling will continue to be a focus.

Maths

We will be learning about addition and subtraction within 20, groups and arrays, money and measurement.

Science

We will be learning about characteristics of the moon and the planets in our solar system, and how the Earth's orbit affects the seasons.

History

We will be learning about Neil Armstrong, Valentina Tereshkova, Tim Peake and the work of other astronauts, placing their achievements on a timeline.

Geography

We will be looking at the Earth as seen from Space, identifying and naming the seven continents and locating hot and cold areas of the world by learning about the Equator.

RE

We will be exploring our Key Question: Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?

Art and DT

Through continuous provision, we will be exploring different mediums and techniques in Art and developing our understanding of building and construction techniques in DT. We will be designing and making our own rockets on our WOW day.

Computing

We will be learning about 'digital painting' – using a computer to create pictures.

PSHE

Digital Wellbeing – staying safe online.

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.

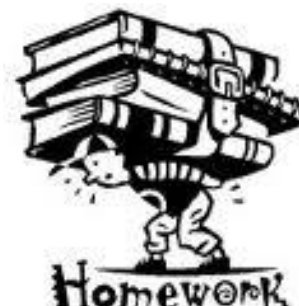
Maths is set weekly on a Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday. Children are also encouraged to use Numbots to practise their number bonds.

Homework:

Weekly spellings, sent home on Friday.

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

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



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 and Tuesday – on these days, children should wear their PE kit into school, rather than bring it in separately.**

Contacting the teacher

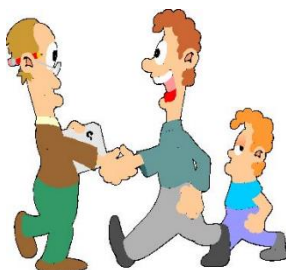
Teacher contact should be made using the following email addresses:

Bumblebee Class: wvbumblebee@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk

Ladybird Class: wvladybird@warrenwood.medway.sch.uk

Laurel Class: wvlaurel@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

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Wells

Ladybird Class

Teacher: Mrs Lawns

Teaching Assistant: Miss Grimson

Laurel Class

Teacher: Miss Simpson

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Porter

