

Library Books

Your child will bring home a library book each week. This book is chosen by them and is an opportunity to encourage a love of reading and reading for pleasure. Your child may need some help reading the book. Library books need to be returned to school every **THURSDAY**.

RWI Books

Children will change their RWI book-bag books twice a week — on **MONDAY** and **THURSDAY**. Please make sure the book they have previously taken is returned so that they can take a new book. Remember to read the book more than once so that your child can develop fluency and use expression when reading. It is also important to talk about the book and check your child's understanding and comprehension of what they have read.

Basket Books

Children will be able to change their basket books as often as they wish and will be encouraged to do this independently. As with the RWI books, please remember to read the book more than once and talk about the story to develop your child's comprehension and understanding.

Read, Write Inc

Children in Year 1 will continue with the Read, Write Inc. programme. Through the Oxford Owl portal, you will also be able to access the books your child is reading at school. This will help to consolidate their learning and further develop their reading skills. We will notify parents via Dojo over the next few weeks to let you know when this is up and running.

Reading Records

Over the coming weeks, we will provide your child with all of their school login details, which we will stick in the front of their reading record. Please also make sure that you write in your child's reading record daily so that class teachers can see how they are getting on with their reading at home.

Pink Class

Miss Patel

Mrs Manukonda, Mrs Minchin and Mrs Sable

Outdoor Learning

We hope to spend lots of time learning outdoors throughout the year. Please make sure your child always has appropriate clothing for the weather.

Forest School will take place every **FRIDAY**, so please make sure your child is particularly well prepared on this day. We recommend that your child comes to school wearing long trousers on these days. Please also provide a pair of wellington boots for your child to keep in school on their peg.

Homework

A sheet of homework challenges will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. One challenge should be completed each week. The challenges will also be uploaded to Dojo for you to view.

The challenges can be completed in any order throughout the half term. Remember to be creative and, most importantly, have fun with them!

You can upload your completed homework, or photos of it, to your child's Dojo page for their teacher to see.

Curriculum Release Time

Mr Irwin and Mrs Manukonda will cover Pink Class at different points in the week to cover Miss Patel for planning, preparation and assessment time. Mrs Kelshiker will cover Pink Class on Thursday to release Miss Patel for her Phase Leader time.

PE

FRIDAY - Indoor P.E.

WEDNESDAY - Outdoor games

On the days your child has a PE or Games lesson, they should come to school wearing their PE kit and will remain in it for the whole day. This should include navy blue shorts, a white t-shirt, white trainers and a maroon tracksuit.

Where possible, PE and Games will take place outdoors, so please ensure your child wears the most appropriate PE kit for the weather.

Girls should have their hair tied back and should not wear earrings on PE and Games days.

Other Useful Information

Many families like to send in treats to celebrate their child's birthday. As we are a healthy school, please do not send in unhealthy treats, as we will not be able to give these out. If you would like to celebrate your child's birthday in school, we would suggest that your child donates a book to their class library instead.

The children will be provided with a healthy snack at school, so they do not need to bring a snack from home.

If you would like to discuss anything with us, please speak to us at the door or email us using our Year 1 email address: 1@westlodge.harrow.sch.uk

Useful Links

MyMaths: <https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

First log in with- Username: Westlodge Password: Addition

Numbots: <https://numbots.com/>

Oxford owl: <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/>