

Books

Individual Basket Books

Children on the Semi-Formal and Formal Pathways will change their books weekly. Please read these books with your child as often as you can.

Library

Library books will be changed on a regular basis. The day for this will be confirmed later on in the term.

Guided Reading

Children will read daily to an adult, either in a group or individually. Please ensure your child brings their banded reading book in everyday if they take it home from school.

If your child is on a banded book, they will have a colour band which matches their reading level. However, some children may have two different colour banded books: one which reflects their decoding skills and one for their comprehension skills.

For children who are at the earliest stages of their literacy development we offer a range of reading experiences to develop their appreciation of books including sensory stories and role play.

Kaleidoscope

Mrs Duggan	Ms Stander
Ms Pupaza	Mrs Jeevan
Mr Wade	Mrs Shenjatari
Mrs Maxwell	Mrs Chandarana
Mrs Nanda	Ms Sufaj
Mrs Joueid	Mrs Khaneja
Mrs Pratheepan	Mrs Dabral

Home Learning

In Kaleidoscope, we will be setting the children's homework online using Seesaw. Homework will be set on a Friday. Please ensure that homework is completed by Wednesday.

Topic Homework :

Each half term, the children will be assigned a project from their mainstream class related to one of their topics. They should work on this project throughout the term. They will then present their work in the last week of the term.

Maths and Literacy Homework:

Pupils in Kaleidoscope are also assigned login details for digital platforms used to consolidate activities relating to topics that have been covered by their mainstream class teacher. This homework is set and marked by the mainstream class teacher.

PE

On the days your child has a PE or Games lesson, they should come to school in their PE kit and will wear this all day.

Although this might not always be possible, we endeavor for all children to access PE with their mainstream classes.

Sensory Motor and Physical

This year we will be starting using a new programme called TACPAC. TACPAC is a sensory communication programme that combines touch and music designed to support sensory alignment in all our learners.

Creative Curriculum

Every Thursday morning, children will have the following activities:

Forest School with Miss Wilkinson,
Mindfulness Strengthening and Conditioning
with Mrs Ahmed, PE with Mr Irwin.

Educational Visits

Whenever possible and safe to do so, children will join their mainstream classes on trips.

Link Books

Some pupils will have a link book which will be updated daily by a member of the Kaleidoscope team. Please remember that the link book is not a tool to communicate any academic progress. Its function is purely pastoral.

Other Useful Information

Every term we publish a SEND Newsletter with information about the local provision. We also have termly SEND Coffee Mornings for all parent at West Lodge. When it is their birthday, children can bring in a book to donate to the class library. Please don't send in treats for the bus as we are a healthy school. If you would like to discuss something with us, please speak to us at the door or email our Kaleidoscope email address:

k@westlodge.harrow.sch.uk

External Agencies

Professionals from the Autism Advisory Team, Harrow Council Services (EP) and the NHS (OT, SALT) will be advising on interventions and strategies implemented by the school to support children and collaborate to monitor progress.