



April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Summer term has come around quickly! It has been brilliant working with year 1 over the last two terms and we are incredibly excited for what's to come. We hope that you had a good Easter break and are well rested for the Summer Term.

This term the children will be learning:

History & Geography

Carnival of the Animals will be our geography topic. We will be learning about animals and their habitats and where in the world we find different animals.

For History, we will be doing *Travellers* and we will be learning about different mountaineers, sailors and astronauts.

English and Maths

In English, we will be reading some exciting, new books to inspire our writing. We will read: **One Day on Our Blue Planet** and **The Story Tree**. And, as we move through the term, we will be getting the children ready for Y2 by helping them to become more independent during writing time. In Maths, we will move on to learning about numbers within 50, before starting our unit on fractions.

Reading

The children will continue to read in small groups with an adult. This will give them more opportunity to apply their phonics learning. They will also enjoy a range of story books during story time.

Phonics

As part of statutory year 1 assessment, the children will have a phonics screening check towards the end of the year. This is done 1:1 with the teacher and is very similar to other phonics assessment checks the children have done throughout Reception and Year 1.

PE

PE will continue to take place on Friday morning. The school P.E. kit consists of a white t-shirt, green shorts and trainers. No jewellery, apart from ear studs, should be worn.

General information

Thank you for your support in ensuring school uniform is worn consistently. Jewellery, with the exception of stud earrings, is not allowed for safety reasons. As a Healthy School, packed lunches should promote healthy eating habits and not include sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks. Children at West Hampstead can celebrate their birthday at school with a song and a sticker should they wish to share this information with their teacher. Please note that we do not accept cakes, party bags or any sort of 'treats' for the class.

Thank you for your continued support so far this year, the children have been wonderful and we are looking forward to this Summer term. If you have any further questions, please email us at year1@westhampstead.camden.sch.uk

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