

Helping your child

There are a number of ways that you can help your child to achieve their full potential at school.

- Aim for 98% attendance and arrive at school on time.
- Give them an appropriate breakfast.
- Make sure they go to bed at a reasonable time (and avoid 'screens' for at least half an hour before bedtime)
- Listen to them read every day, and talk about the book as they read.
- Help them to complete their homework and to learn their spellings.
- Help them to learn their times tables.
- Ensure they have all the right equipment for school.

Equipment:

Every day your child should bring to school:

- Named water bottle
- Reading book
- Planner
- PE kit (should be left at school throughout the week)

Key dates:

Thursday 26 th September	Individual photos
Friday 27 th September	Cross Country & Macmillan Coffee Morning
Thursday 10 th October	Parent Consultations
Friday 11 th October	Harvest Festival 9am
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent Consultations
21 st – 25 th October –	Learning Together Week
26th – 3rd November	Half Term
Thursday 7 th November	Open Day for 2020 Reception Parents
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance Assembly – Year 6 (10:30am)
Friday 8 th November	Year 4 Sharing Assembly
Saturday 30 th November	Christmas Fair 11am – 1pm
Monday 16 th December	Under 5's Afternoon Performance
Tuesday 17 th December	Afternoon/Evening Performances (adults only)
Friday 20 th December	Certificate Assembly (9 am)
School finishes at 2pm on Friday 20 th December	

Year 4



Autumn 2019

Curriculum Information

At Windermere our curriculum is carefully planned to ensure that it is relevant, engaging and enjoyable. Subjects are organised so that pupils will progressively gain both skills and knowledge. Wherever possible we create strong cross-curricular links as this gives learning a proper context and strengthens opportunities to learn.

English

- **Fiction:** Tale of a Quest- *The Edge Of The World*, Defeating monsters- '*Christophe's story*'. The children will be studying the texts and using these to create their own stories.
- **Poetry:** creating images through language and word play.
- **Non-fiction:** discussion text- *Dr Who*' and an interactive eBook '*Wanted Space Explorer*',
- **Reading** and discussing a variety of text types. Asking and answering questions that involve inference and deduction.
- **Grammar:** the children will be learning to use of nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs to control their writing.
- **Spelling:** pupils will be given spellings every week, the instructions for which are in the front of the Spelling book they take home.
- **Handwriting:** the children will be continuing to develop a fluent, joined handwriting style. This aids spelling and speeds writing.

Pupils will be allocated e-book copies of the texts read at school. Please log into Wordsmith to share these resources with your child.

Maths

We will be covering:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction both mentally and orally
- Multiplication and division.
- Perimeter
- Continuous and discrete data
- Measurement: conversion of units

Science

- In a State: exploring materials
- Human Impact – living things and their habitats

ICT

- **We Are Musicians:** produce digital music
- **We Are Co-authors:**collaborative editing and research

Humanities

- Geography: contrasting Greece to the UK
- History : Ancient Greeks
- RE: Hindu teaching about God and worship in a Hindu home.

Art and Creative Learning

- Art: Using clay to make Greek pots.
- Design and Technology: Pop-up books using levers
- Music: The children will be learning to play the ukulele
- Drama: Literacy based activities

Homework

- Reading: should be done every day and should be to an adult at home, who should make a comment and sign in the home/school diary.
- Times-tables/number facts (e.g. associated division facts) should be practised during the week as these are foundation skills underpinning mathematics.
- Spellings: Given out on Monday. These should be practised every day in preparation for a dictation on Friday.

PE

- In Games the children will learn how to play a variety of outdoor and indoor games.
- Swimming: please ensure children arrive at school with swimming kit every Monday.