



Waddesdon Village Primary School

Pathway to Excellence

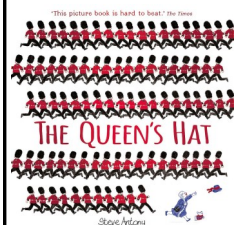
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Summer One 2022



English

Our key texts in English this term will link to current events. We will learn about the Story of George and the Dragon after we have used our reading skills of retrieving, predicting, sequencing, inferencing and awareness of vocabulary exploring a famous painting in the National Gallery.



We will then read 'The Queen's Hat' by Steve Antony. There will be a strong link to geography when we read this book, where we will find out more about landmarks in London. Here we will continue to develop our use

of interesting and exciting vocabulary. We will be working on writing in complete sentences that have a capital letter, clear spaces between words and full stops.

In addition to this, children will have daily phonics and handwriting sessions.. There will be a focus on writing letters correctly and using a cursive style, ready to join.

Science

This term our focus will be 'Plants'. We will be developing our ability to observe closely using simple equipment and conducting simple tests. We will also identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants. As well as identifying and naming a variety of wild and garden plants.



Welcome back!

I hope you had a fantastic Easter break!

Our topic this term is 'Kings and Queens'. We are looking forward to a term full of exciting, creative and inspiring learning opportunities.

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'Kings and Queens'



Weekly schedules:

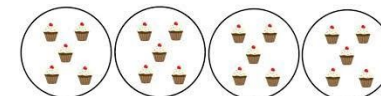
PE is on a Thursday and Friday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on both days this term.

We will visit the library on a Wednesday.

Books will be changed on a Monday and Wednesday and Friday. Don't forget to bring your folders in everyday.
eBooks will be added to Bug Club online on a Friday.

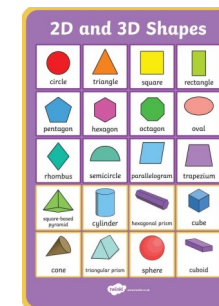
Mathematics

This term we will be focusing on multiplication and division. We will start by counting in 2s and 5s and consolidate our knowledge of multiples of 10. We will count and solve problems using concrete and pictorial resources as well as arrays.



We will begin to work on fractions finding halves of shapes, amounts or objects.

We will also continue to work on shapes finishing off work on 2D shapes and focussing on 3D shapes.



PE

In PE our focus this term will be multi-skills. We will be continuing to develop and master basic movement skills. Including running, jumping, throwing and catching.



RE

This term we will be exploring the Jewish celebration 'Shabbat'. We will discuss what this means to a Jew and explore traditions and celebrations around Shabbat.





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History



This term our topic is 'Kings and Queens'. In this topic we will be learning about the lives of Queen Victoria and Elizabeth I and their contributions and achievements as part of British history. We will also be learning more about Queen Elizabeth II.

We will also learn about Edward the Confessor, King Harold and William, as we start to look at The Battle of Hastings and move into learning about Castles which will start next term.



Geography

We will learn more about the UK looking at maps. As part of our work on the book we are reading, we will look at landmarks in London and around the UK.

Music

This term our topic is 'All About Me'. It is an instrument-based unit of work. We will also be singing, learning a song for the Platinum Jubilee.

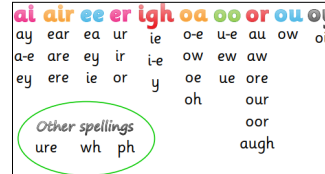


Computing

This term we will be working on spreadsheets. Children will be introduced to spreadsheets in Purple Mash and learn how to add images to cells. As well as this, we will be exploring how to keep ourselves safe when accessing the internet.

Phonics

This term we will be continuing with our work on exploring alternative pronunciations of sounds and spellings and focus on segmenting and blending nonsense words.



Summer One: 'Kings and Queens'



Important Dates

- Monday 2nd May** - Bank Holiday
- Thursday 19th May** - Class Photos
- Friday 27th May** - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tea Party

Show and Tell Timetable

- 29/04/22** – Mentmore
- 6/05/22** – Ascott
- 13/05/22** – Claydon
- 20/05/22** – Hartwell
- 27/05/22** – Mentmore

How you can support your child at home:

Reading:

Please encourage your child to take part in the reading rocket challenge!



Children are encouraged to read as often as possible at home, preferably ten minutes every day. This does not always have to be their reading book though. Listening to an adult read is also a valuable experience. Here they will hear a rich and varied vocabulary which will help develop their writing. Please sign and write a comment in their reading record letting us know what you have done e.g. read a book from home/the library, read instructions to a game/recipe or a comic/magazine, listened to stories on CDs or parents read at bedtime.



Please remember to log onto our online reading platform 'Bug Club'. Your child will have two books allocated each week and a variety of fun games and quizzes to complete after reading each book.

Maths:

Practise number skills by logging on to Numbots weekly.



PSHE

Our theme for this term is 'Relationships'. We will be discussing and identifying members of the family as well as identifying and discussing the characteristics of a good friend.

