

## Welcome Back

Within this document, you should find helpful information about the term ahead. Should you have any questions or queries at any point, please either email <u>year5@wildmoorheath.org.uk</u> or leave a message with the office. We will get back to you as soon as we can.

## Mr Phelps and Mrs Thurgood

<b>Reading</b> : Children should read aloud regularly (daily if possible). In addition, the most important thing you can do is to continue to read to your child. By reading to your child several times a week, they will have access to literature beyond their reading age, which will develop their knowledge and vocabulary, improving their reading comprehension.
<b>Spelling</b> : Children will be given a spelling pattern and words to learn each week. These words will be given on a Monday and then tested the following Monday. To practise the weekly spellings children should use Spelling Shed and the honeycomb strategies provided in the spelling home learning books.
<b>Times tables</b> : Children should practise times tables via Times Table Rockstars or by using any other strategy. They need to know their multiplication and division facts for speed and accuracy.
<b>Maths or Writing</b> : Children may be given a short task to complete each week. This will be set on a Monday via Edmodo and will need to be completed by the following Monday. This should take no more than 30 minutes per week of distraction-free focus time at home. Use the check sheet on the website to stay on top of things!
The class page, which is accessible via the school website, will be updated regularly. We will also provide information about the maths and reading strategies that we will be using in class so that you can support your child with their home learning.
Our PE curriculum this term will be supplemented by sessions ran by specialist coaches, this means that PE days are likely to change to fit around the visitors. Please can you ensure that your child's PE kit remains in school throughout the week and that all items of your child's kit are named. Any earrings must be removed for PE and long hair needs to be tied back.
Edmodo will remain an active platform this term for learning links, reminders, notices and photographs. Please check in regularly to get the most out of the website.
Each class started the year by creating their Class Charter, which form the class rules that each child agreed to follow. House points will be awarded to children who follow the school values by showing polite manners, positive teamwork or excellent effort. Celebration assemblies are held every Friday, where children may receive a certificate for being the Star of the Week.

Walking from school	If you have given written permission for your child to walk home from school (via the form, available at Reception), then class teachers will dismiss them at the end of the day. If you have given permission previously but are collecting them without informing the teacher of the plan change, the staff members cannot be held responsible for dismissing them on their own. They may walk with a mobile phone but it MUST be handed in immediately and switched off, they should only bring phones on days when they are walking alone.
Uniform	Children are expected to wear full school uniform each day (policy found here: <a href="https://www.wildmoorheath.org.uk/page/?title=School+Policies&amp;pid=39">https://www.wildmoorheath.org.uk/page/?title=School+Policies&amp;pid=39</a> ) Hair must be tied back off of the face and shoulders and make up and nail varnish is not permitted. Children should not wear any jewellery except for plain studs.