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Topics for next week

We would like to encourage parents to support their child with their learning at home. Should you want more information, please speak to your child's class teacher after school. Please find below the information for the week commencing 11th February 2019.

Class	English	Maths
China	Instructions.	Weight and measure.
Australia	Diary entry.	Place - value.
France	Diary entry.	Place - value.
Italy	Non-chronological reports.	Money.
Brazil	Non-chronological reports.	Money.
Mexico	Explanations.	Division.
Canada	Discussion.	Area and volume.
USA	Discussion.	Area and volume.
Spain	Narrative.	Multiplying and dividing fractions.
Portugal		
The Den	Making toys - instructions.	Money.

Breakfast Club

We are very excited to tell you about our new breakfast club which will be starting after half term. We have managed to secure some additional funding and so we can offer this free for all children. The gates will be open from 8.40am each morning; all children will go straight into the classroom, where they will be able to have their breakfast bagel. They will then take part in reading activities. Any child not wanting to eat breakfast will still come into school to take part in the reading; there will be no morning play. The gates will be locked at their normal time. The playground will be supervised to ensure children go straight into their classrooms. We are happy to cater for any allergies; please ensure that school have an up to date allergy list for your child. **Should you not wish for your child to take part, please complete the attached reply slip to opt out.**

Reception children in Australia class.

I am writing to you to explain some changes that will be happening from Monday. You may be aware that your child has spent the mornings this week in China class. We have found that this has worked so well

that we are going to continue with this as we feel it is still really valuable for these children to have full access to the early years curriculum. We have employed an additional member of staff to work in this class from Monday. Miss Naylor is a qualified early years teacher and so will bring lots of experience to her new role at Westmere.

Keeping Children Safe

We have had some reports from parents, informing us that some secondary school pupils are being aggressive towards some of our pupils, in the village play area. This is happening after school time and at weekends. Parents please be aware of this and any serious incidents need to be reported to the police.

After School Clubs

On Monday 25th February, Maths Club with Miss Richardson and Reading Club with Miss Pooley will be cancelled. This is due to staff training.

World Book Day

On Thursday 7th March, it will be World Book Day. The theme for this day will be based around the book called 'The Day the Crayons Came Home' by Drew Daywalt. We would like the children to come dressed in their favourite colour on this day. More details about this day will follow at a later date.



Friends of Westmere

Bingo - Thursday 31st January

Thank you to all those who supported the Bingo. We raised a total of £338.65.

Non-Uniform Day - Friday 22nd March

On Friday 22nd March, there will be a non-uniform day. We would like to ask you for donations of £1 to go towards prizes for the Bingo. Thank you

Easter Bingo - Thursday 28th March

On Thursday 28th March, there will be a Bingo session at school. The doors open at 6.00 pm with eyes down at 6.30 pm.

Hamerton Zoo - China Class

On Tuesday 5th March, China Class will be visiting Hamerton Zoo in Sawtry. They will be leaving school at 8.30am and will return to school for approximately 4.30pm. **The children will need to be in school at 8.15am.** This visit is part of their term 4 topic work. We will need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards the cost of the trip.



Museum of Power - Brazil and Mexico Class

On Friday 8th March, Mexico class (along with pupils from GDE) will be going to the Museum of Power in Maldon, Essex as part of their rivers topic. On Friday 22nd March, Brazil class (along with pupils from HSM) will also be going to the Museum of Power in Maldon, Essex. **The children will need to be in school at 7.15am.** They will be leaving school at 7.30am and will return to school for approximately 5.45pm. **The children will need to have two packed meals with them, one for their lunch and one for their tea.** If your child is a free school meal, a packed lunch can be provided, but not tea. We will need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £15.00 towards the cost of the trip.



Class Visits

During class trips, we would like the children to wear their school uniform with the blue PE hoodie instead of their Westmere sweatshirts, unless stated otherwise. Your child will need a packed lunch in a clearly named plastic bag. If your child is entitled to a free school meal and you would like us to provide a packed lunch, make sure you tick the box on the reply slip. Make sure that your child has plenty of drink with them on the trip day. **Do not send Fizzy Drinks.** The Facebook page, 'The Griffin Federation', will be updated on trip days, with arrival back at school times.

Cultural Day

Term 4 Cultural Day will be on Wednesday 13th March. The country we will be looking at is India and the afternoon's activities and lunch will be themed around this country. We would like you to encourage your children to have the lunch on this day so that they will be participating in the day's events and be able to try new foods.



Dates for Diary

15th Feb - End of Term 3
25th Feb - Start of Term 4
5th March - Hamerton Zoo - China Class
7th March - World Book Day
8th March - Museum of Power - Mexico Class
13th March - Cultural Day - India
15th March - Red Nose Day
22nd March - Museum of Power - Brazil Class
22nd March - Non-uniform Day
28th March - FOW Easter Bingo.
2nd April - Parent Evening.
3rd April - Parent Evening.
5th April - End of Term 4

Yours sincerely
Miss K Wiles
Headteacher

Breakfast Club
OPT OUT SLIP

Name: _____ Class: _____

I **do not** wish my child to take part in the Breakfast Club.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer

Museum of Power
Friday 8th March

Name: _____ Class: Mexico

I give permission for my child to go to the Museum of Power in Essex and have enclosed a contribution of £15.00.

My child is entitled to a free school meal and I would like the packed lunch provided.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer



Museum of Power
Friday 22nd March

Name: _____ Class: Brazil

I give permission for my child to go to the Museum of Power in Essex and have enclosed a contribution of £15.00.

My child is entitled to a free school meal and I would like the packed lunch provided.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer



Hamerton Zoo
Tuesday 5th March

Name: _____ Class: China

I give permission for my child to go to the Hamerton Zoo and have enclosed a contribution of £10.00.

My child is entitled to a free school meal and I would like the packed lunch provided.

Signed: _____ Parent/Carer



PM TO 5.00

**4.30 PM TO
5.00 PM**