



9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

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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 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Class	English	Maths
China	The tiger who came to tea - invitations.	Estimating and Counting.
Japan	Supermarket zoo - shopping lists.	Estimating and Counting.
Australia	Riddles.	Place value.
France	Riddles.	Place value.
Italy	Setting description - New York.	Division.
Brazil	Myths and legends.	Measurement length and perimeter.
Mexico	Myths and legends.	Fractions.
Canada	Myths and legends.	Fractions.
USA	Myths and legends.	Shape.
Spain	Poetry.	Fractions.
Portugal	Narrative.	Algebra.
The Den	Mr Men stories.	Money.

### Bicycles on the School Premises

Please can we remind everybody that bicycles should not be ridden on the school premises. This is to comply with the health and safety of the children. Thanks.



### Parent Helpers

We would like parents to come into school and listen to children read. Parents will need to be DBS checked before they are able to work with the children. If you would like to do this, please come to the school office to fill in the relevant forms. Thank you.



### PE Days

From Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, we would like the children to come to school in their PE kits, on their class PE days. We are asking for a £5 voluntary contribution towards the costs of these. On their PE days, they will also need to wear their school PE t-shirt underneath the hoodie, with plain black, grey or navy jogging bottoms and trainers. Please see below the timetable of class PE days.

Class	PE Days
China	Tuesday and Friday
Japan	Thursday and Friday
Australia	Monday and Tuesday
France	Monday and Tuesday
Italy	Tuesday and Wednesday
Brazil	Tuesday and Thursday
Mexico	Monday and Thursday
Canada	Tuesday and Thursday
USA	Tuesday and Thursday
Spain	Wednesday and Friday
Portugal	Monday and Friday



### Friends of Westmere

#### Bingo - 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

A total of £167.73 was raised at the bingo, held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018. Thank you.

#### Valentine Disco - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

FOW are holding a Valentine Disco on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Dress in red is optional. The start time will be 5.00pm and it will finish at 7.00pm. **Entry to the Disco is by ticket only. You will not be able to pay on the door. Tickets for the Disco will be available from the school office from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. The cost of a ticket is £1.50.** Refreshments will be available. Children should bring no more than £5 spending money. Please make sure this is in a named purse and is in change. Children are responsible for their own money. No mobile phones are allowed at the disco.



VALENTINE DISCO



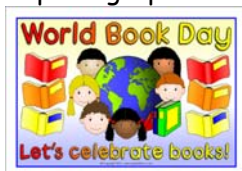
### Swimming Lessons

All of USA Class children will be going swimming in the fourth term of the academic year 2017/2018. The first session will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018 and they will continue swimming each Monday up until Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Please make sure that your child has their swimming kit with them every Monday. Girls will need to wear a one piece swimming suit and boys must wear close fitting swimming trunks no longer than mid-thigh in length. We will need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £2.20 per session. Please send this with your child on the days they go for their swimming lesson.



### World Book Day - Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March

World Book Day is on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Children are encouraged to dress up in their favourite character from a book and bring in a copy of this book, along with a character profile of the person they are dressed as. We are inviting parents into school for 2.45pm, to read books with the children. A class competition is being held, where the children will take a photograph of the most peculiar place to read. These photographs will then be displayed in school. There will be a prize for each class for the best character and photograph.



### Cultural Day

Term 4 Cultural Day will be on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March. The country we will be looking at is Cuba 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.



### Banham Zoo

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, France and Australia Classes will be visiting Banham Zoo. They will be leaving school at 9.00am and return to school for approximately 4.30pm. On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March, China and Japan Classes will also be visiting the zoo. They

will be leaving school at 9am and will return to school for approximately 4.30pm. These visits are part of their term 4 topic work. We will need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 towards the costs of the trip.



### Class Visits

During class trips, 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.** All children must wear their School Uniform unless stated otherwise. The **Facebook page**, 'The Griffin Federation', will be updated on trip days, with arrival back at school times.

### Dates for Diary

9<sup>th</sup> Feb - End of Term 3  
19<sup>th</sup> Feb - Start of Term 4  
23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - FOW Valentine Disco  
1<sup>st</sup> March - World Book Day  
7<sup>th</sup> March - Cultural Day - Cuba  
7<sup>th</sup> March - Banham Zoo - France & Australia Classes  
8<sup>th</sup> March - Banham Zoo - China & Japan Classes  
9<sup>th</sup> March - KS2 Mother's Day Service  
9<sup>th</sup> March - FOW Mother's Day Tea, 2.30pm  
15<sup>th</sup> March - FOW Bingo  
20<sup>th</sup> March to 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Young Americans KS2  
26<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Evening  
27<sup>th</sup> March - Parent Evening  
28<sup>th</sup> March - KS1 Easter Service  
28<sup>th</sup> March - End of Term 4  
16<sup>th</sup> April - Start of Term 5

Yours sincerely  
Miss K Wiles  
Headteacher

**PE School Hoodie**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Please find enclosed my £5 contribution towards the cost of the school hoodie sweatshirt.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer



**Banham Zoo**  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: France/Australia

I give permission for my child to go to the Banham 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



**Banham Zoo**  
**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: China/Japan

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