

# **Violet Class Overview**

Spring Term 2023

# **English**

At the beginning of this term we will be using our new topic, The Ancient Greeks, as the stimulus for our writing. We will be working on historical narratives, newspaper articles and writing with suspense, to broaden our understanding of key areas of the topic.

There will be the usual emphasis on engaging the reader through description, interesting information, linked together with excellent punctuation. Working at home, there will also added importance and focus on editing and improving work independently.

#### Maths

In Year 6 we will be covering:

- Converting units of measures.
- Data handling.
- Reading line, pie and car charts.
- Reading timetables.
- Calculating unknown angles using our knowledge of shapes.
- Calculating the area of perimeter of shapes.

If you'd like to know more details you can access the curriculum expectations at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-curriculum-in-england-mathematics-programmes-of-study/national-curriculum-in-england-mathematics-programmes-of-study

# Reading

Reading plays such a fundamental role in so many areas of learning, in particular increasing our pupil's vocabulary. We continue to use the Accelerated Reader Programme to support and inspire our children to read. Please keep an eye out for news regarding changing books which is expected soon. We expect that children will read **every night** at home. After finishing a book children will complete a quiz which shows that they really understood what they have read. The quiz pass mark is 85% and children who achieve 100% will become part of our 100% club!

Children can quiz at home.

## History, Geography & Science

This term our topic is The Ancient Greeks. We aim to explore all the different aspects of Ancient Greek life from food, to clothing to their obsession with the Gods and their love of mythical stories.

In Science, we will shift our attention to light and how it allows us to see. We will be learning all about how light travels and the science behind reflection and refraction.

## **Important Dates**

PE - lessons will be on Fridays, please make sure pupils are dressed appropriately. Mandarin – Wednesday pm Music - Thursday

Next trip - TBC

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Pupils have 10 weekly spellings, to learn each week. They also have one activity set per week on MyMaths, so keep an eye out for that. I will also be setting some separate maths homework if it may help consolidate midweek. As mentioned.

Children are also expected to read at home every day.

Homework

## **Year 6 Learning Expectations**

We know the final year can be a challenging year; your children have worked incredibly hard during the first time. Now it is really important that we kick on and build on the great foundations they have created!

At West Green we have Golden Rules which we all -adults and children- are

expected to follow. Ask your child to share them with you at home.
We also have a merit system at West Green. Merits are awarded for exceptional behaviour and can lead to great prizes!

#### Communication

At West Green we send information to families both by text message and email. We use the app Xpressions for texting, if you need help getting set up please come to the school office.

We will no longer be using the class gmail accounts. All incoming emails should come via <u>admin@westgreen.haringey.sch.uk</u>

If your number or email have changed please inform the school office immediately.

Bi-weekly class updates will be posted on our class pages on the school website. Please check in to see what we have been up to! https://www.westgreen.haringey.sch.uk/violetclass/