

## Key Dates

**PE is Tuesday - Thursday**  
Each class has a different day.

**Please come to school in full PE kit.**

### Monday 6th March

Early Reading and Phonics workshop  
Year 1  
2.45pm and 5.30pm

### Inset Day

Friday 10th March - school closed

### Parents Evening

Wednesday 22nd March  
3.30-7pm  
Thursday 23rd March  
3.30-5.30pm

### Last day of Term

Friday 31st March

### Easter Holidays

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

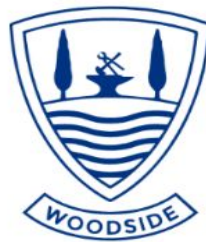
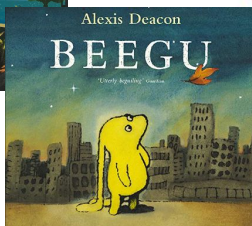
### Homework and reading

books to be returned on a **Wednesday**.

# Year 1 - Spring 2

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### Value of March-

Our value for March is **Resilience**. The children will be learning about how to be resilient and the importance of persevering and not giving up.

### Value of April-

Our value for April is **Responsibility**. Children will be learning about how to be responsible for their actions and how their actions have consequences.

## How to Help at Home Reading

Reading at home is invaluable. Each week your child will bring home a book matching the phonics sounds they are familiar with as well as a book to share with you. Please read each day and sign their reading diary.

## Knowledge organisers

The children will be coming home with Knowledge organisers. These include all the things the children will learn during the half term and 'Sticky Knowledge' that will be built upon throughout their learning at West Thornton. It also includes key vocabulary that we ask you to support familiarising with your child at home.

**History**

In History this half term, the children will continue their learning of the monarchy, the role of the government and the Prime Minister.

**DT**

In DT the children will be exploring sliding mechanisms. They will design and make their own sliding mechanism based on animals.

**Science**

The children will be continue their learning on classifying animals and then move on to differences and similarities between animals and humans.

**Music**

In music the children will be listening to and exploring a variety of different music and finding the pulse and moving their body to the music, They will also begin to perform different songs.

**English**

The children will be innovating their own part of a story for the core text Granddad's Island. They will also be using the core text Beegu to write in character as her and write a diary extract. They will continue their skills they have learnt in Spring 1 to support their writing.

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**Maths**

In maths, the children will measure and compare length and height using standard and nonstandard units of measure. They will also investigate mass and order objects from lightest to heaviest. They will learn all about capacity and volume and how these are measured.

**PSHE/RSE**

In PSHE, the children will be learning about being healthy including healthy eating, discussing hygiene and being safe in their surrounding environments.

**RE**

Children will be learning about Christianity. They will learn about the significance of Easter to Christians and learn about teachings of Jesus and make connections within their own lives.

**PE**

In PE the children will be learning about the correct posture to travel a short distance. They will also be working on jumping and combining a variety of movements to travel.

**Computing**

Children will continue their learning on building algorithms and the importance of following instructions carefully to complete tasks in Purple Mash.