



Welcome to our home school communication! Each week you will get an overview of the class learning and will be set some home tasks too. The children will have spellings, which will be tested on a Monday, times tables practise and reading. Home school communication books should be returned to school on a Wednesday.

For those children taking part in Hotshots (lunchtime basketball club) they do not need to be in PE kit. They simply need to bring a pair of trainers to put on.

Forest school is on a **Wednesday** - 'school tops & PE bottoms' to be worn.

PE is on a **Thursday** - School PE kit to be worn.

Please find below the summary of our week in school.

English	On Monday, we had our spelling lesson. The rule this week is ou making an 'u' sound. For the rest of the week, we used 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith to guide our learning. We predicted what we thought the book would be about and focussed on the main character Max: identifying what he looked like and what his personality was like. We looked at a diary entry from Max, identifying the features used. On Friday, we took part in a very special virtual school event with BAFTA-winning and OSCAR-nominated writer, director, animator, and illustrator, Mikey Please. He introduced us to his books and guided us on how to illustrate a picture.
Maths	We have been partitioning numbers and completing part whole models.
Science	We discussed and identified the different types of rocks – sedimentary, metamorphic and igneous.
Other subjects	In RE, we discussed what we celebrate in our families and plotted them on a season wheel. We practised logging onto the computers independently. We had a go at labelling some of the cities on a British Isle map. We had another wet forest school session, we enjoyed making birds nests from some old baskets and playing hide and seek with a teddy. We also saw a baby pigeon! In history, we used the map of our school to walk around and find evidence of what used to be in our rooms.

A little extra homework task!

Please could you ask your parent/carers/family members / neighbours / friends if any of them used to go to our school? Have they got any information they could share with us – old photos, books, reports or stories, please send them in.

Spellings

Rule - Words where the digraph 'ou' makes an /u/ sound

touch
double
country
trouble
young
cousin
enough
couple
encourage
flourish

I have included the 'homework' sheet that comes with the spelling scheme we use. Your child can keep this at home so they can see their spellings.

Multiplication

Please
practise

3 times table

1 x 3 = 3
2 x 3 = 6
3 x 3 = 9
4 x 3 = 12
5 x 3 = 15
6 x 3 = 18
7 x 3 = 21
8 x 3 = 24
9 x 3 = 27
10 x 3 = 30
11 x 3 = 33
12 x 3 = 36

[Timestables.co.uk](https://www.timestables.co.uk)



Reading - In the classroom, the children have access to all of our books. When reading with a school adult, they will read a phonically decodable book. In their free reading time, the children are welcome to read any of our books & take them home.

Please go to our class page on the school website - <https://www.st-matthewsbloxam.co.uk/>.

If you would like to email anything to us, please use admin3213@welearn365.com and put it to the attention of Year 3.

If you're unsure about anything, please ask. We appreciate your continued support from home.