

Happy New Year from all Addison Staff



Addison Vision 2025-2026

To Succeed academically and to also give pupils experiences and opportunities which will enable them to become resilient, compassionate and resourceful individuals.

We are excited to welcome our pupils back to school and look forward to the learning and growth ahead. The new term presents us with fresh opportunities to build on the successes of the previous months and continue working together to achieve the best outcomes for every child.

Punctuality

Missing the start of a lesson can result in misconceptions and pupils struggling to understand what is going on. From January, any pupil who regularly arrives late will forgo their break time – instead, they will use this time to catch up on missed learning so that they do not fall behind.

Communication

Teachers are unable to meet before school as they need to prepare for class. Teachers are available at the end of every school day. Please be patient and wait until after 3:15pm or until all pupils have been dismissed before talking with a teacher. Once pupils have been dismissed safely teachers will be happy to speak.

Lunch Time Club

First day back and the children are enjoying going to lunchtime club with Miss Penny.

Lunchtime club provides many activities including playing snooker/pool, board games, Lego, arts and crafts.



Spring 2026

January (Percy Perseverance)

- 12th Afterschool Clubs begin
- 14th Topaz parent class visit
- 14th Reception parent class visit
- 15th Topaz class assembly
- 21st Jade class parent visit
- 28th Sapphire class parent visit
- 29th Pearl class assembly

February (Percy Perseverance)

- 1st- 9th National Story telling week
- 3rd Y1 Phonics workshop 2:30pm
- 4th Ruby class parent visit
- 10th Internet Safety Week
- 11th Topaz class parent visit
- 25th Pearl class parent visit

HALF TERM

Mon. 16th – Fri. 20th Feb.

March (Ollie Honest)

- 5th World Book Day – ‘You are a reader’
- 6th – 15th British Science Wk
- 12th Sapphire assembly
- 18th Y3 Eid assembly 9:10am
- 19th Eid (tbc)
- 24th & 25th Parent Consultations
- 26th Y4 Easter assembly (9:10am)
- 27th Last day of term (**1pm Finish**)

Ruby class (Year 3)

Welcome back Year 3! We hope you all enjoyed your break and that you are looking forward to the exciting school term ahead!

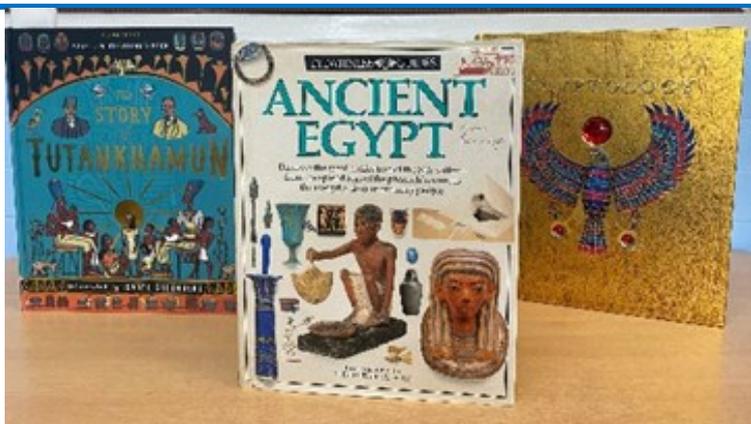
Our topic is based around Ancient Egyptians and the different discoveries that were made during this time in History. We will also be asking the question, 'What was life like for people in Ancient Egypt?' In maths we are

strengthening our knowledge of Multiplication and Division and in English we are becoming biographers and writing biographies about Tutankhamun, using a range of organisation writing techniques.

The children are encouraged to be as creative as they can be in their own time over the next 6 weeks to create Wow Projects based on Ancient Egypt, which can be a drawing, song, video, poem or even a replica of a pyramid or mummy. The children will have a chance to present their projects and celebrate one another's achievements.

We also have some exciting trips this term, visiting the Ancient Egyptian galleries at the British History Museum and visiting the Science Museum, which links with our, 'Forces and Magnets' unit in Science.

I am very much looking forward to getting to know all the children and meeting with parents.



Topaz class (Year 4)

We are delighted to begin another busy and exciting half term full of new learning opportunities and memorable experiences for the children.

Throughout this term, pupils will be stepping back in time to explore the fascinating world of the Anglo-Saxons. In English, they will be developing their writing skills by creating a non-chronological report. This will involve researching important aspects of Anglo-Saxon life and key historical events, while learning how to organise information clearly and present detailed, factual content. History lessons will further enrich this topic by deepening the children's understanding of the Anglo-Saxon era.

Alongside this, Science lessons will focus on the environment. Children will explore why caring for our planet is important and learn about simple actions they can take to help protect the Earth in their everyday lives.

In Maths, learning will centre on length and perimeter, as well as fractions. These topics will build on prior knowledge and help pupils develop confidence using a range of strategies and problem-solving skills.

To enhance our history learning, we are very excited to be visiting the British Museum. This visit will allow children to see real Anglo-Saxon artefacts and engage in hands-on learning experiences. Finally, building on last term's work, the children will be preparing and performing a class assembly about electricity, proudly showcasing what they have learnt. We look forward to a productive and enjoyable half term ahead!



Pearl class (Year 5)

Welcome back Year 5! We have an exciting half term ahead, filled with lots of learning and fun experiences. Our topic is, 'The Industrial Revolution', and we will be exploring this exciting topic across a range of curriculum subjects.

In English, we will be studying the texts, 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty and 'Isambard Kingdom Brunel' by Robin Jones. The children will be writing a narrative and an informative biography, with a focus on using compound and complex sentences, incorporating dialogue and applying time adverbials to build cohesion in their writing.

In Maths, we will revisit multiplication and division, developing confidence with both long and short division methods. Our Science topic, 'Properties of Materials', will involve comparing and classifying different materials and investigating the properties of metals and plastics.

In History, we will learn about the Industrial Revolution and the impact it had on Britain. To further enrich this learning journey, we are excited to announce a visit to a Victorian school, where pupils will experience first-hand the educational practices of the time

Perseverance will be explored through PSHE lessons and assemblies and discussed weekly in class, with a focus on helping children understand how this value should be reflected in their work and attitudes to learning. Year 5 will also begin weekly swimming lessons each Wednesday.



Amber class (Year 6)

Year 6 will step back in time to explore the fascinating world of Early Islamic Civilisation, uncovering influential figures and discovering why Mesopotamia is often described as the cradle of civilisation. To complement our history learning, pupils will read 'One Thousand and One Arabian Nights' by Geraldine McCaughrean as part of Guided Reading. The captivating origins of this collection of stories have already sparked great curiosity and pupils are eager to discover what unfolds in each of the Arabian tales.

English lessons will begin with a focus on legends, exploring the traditional tale of 'Saint George and the Dragon'. Pupils will examine the key features of legends before planning and writing their own original version, developing strong characterisation, vivid settings and clear narrative structure. Later in the term, attention will turn to biographical writing as pupils learn about Marcus Garvey, who lived in Hammersmith during the 1950s. His role as an advocate for Black self-rule will help pupils understand the wider struggle for justice in the 20th century.



Throughout the term, mathematical learning will centre on decimals, percentages, and ratio, with an emphasis on fluency, reasoning and problem-solving.

Science lessons will explore the unit Animals Including Humans, focusing on the heart and circulatory system. To enrich this learning, Year 6 will visit the Science Museum.

After School Clubs - Start next week



After school clubs (3:10pm-4:10pm) – Registers for the Spring term have been finalised and a reminder text message will be sent out to families this week.

Please see the clubs Schedule below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lego Club (Y3-6) Ms Sheppard	Gymnastics (Y1-3) QPR	Boxing (Y3-6) Coach	Food Club (Y3-6) Ms Hickey	Football (Y1-3) QPR
Arts and Crafts (Y1-6) Mrs Lalji	Taekwondo (Y2-6) Coach	Board Games (Y2-6) Mr Mc Manus		Cricket (Y4-6) QPR
	Football (Y4-6) QPR			

First half term: Monday 12th January to 13th February (5 sessions)

Second half term: Monday 23rd February to 23rd March (5 sessions)

Values

Our school value this half term is 'Perseverance'. We talk to the children in class and in assembly sessions about what this means.

Perseverance is:

- Is Persistent with his effort to improve the environment
- Is ok with failing and practise 'bouncing back'
- Is Persistent with his effort to improve the environment
- Embrace challenges even when unsure of the outcome

In our first assembly today we explored the theme of Perseverance and how sometimes new things can be scary and /or hard. We looked at a video where an American Football coach challenges a player to be the very best he can.

Here is the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xm3HU5f3vzQ>

