

A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

## Laker Learning Buddies

"To teach is to learn twice." Such is the rationale behind our Laker Learning Buddies. Every student is paired with another student, creating a social and a learning relationship. Learning buddies learn together, support each other, and grow together.

• Students are paired 5 years apart, which allows them to progress through WPS together:

o PreK-3 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 8<sup>th</sup> grade
o PreK-4 4<sup>th</sup> grade
o Kindergarten 5<sup>th</sup> grade
o 1<sup>st</sup> grade 6<sup>th</sup> grade
o 2<sup>nd</sup> grade 7<sup>th</sup> grade

- Teachers maintain buddy lists to ensure that students remain together from year to year, cementing those relationships as the students progress through WPS.
- Throughout the year, buddies work together in various ways, meeting once a month. These visits are extensions of the curriculum, enhancing learning for all students involved.