

For your information:

Our PE day is

TUESDAY this term. On this day your child should come dressed for PE but they will be going swimming so require a swimming costume or trunks, a towel and a swimming hat.

Home Learning will continue to be given every Friday. This will alternate between Maths and English tasks. This needs to be completed and returned by the following Wednesday.

Spelling Investigation books will be sent each Monday with a spelling rule to investigate followed by a quiz on Friday.

Please make sure that your child has a **water bottle** in school each day.

It is recommended your child reads regularly at home, at least three times a week. Reading records are now in their spelling investigation books and are checked weekly.

Please remind your child to keep practising their times tables on TimesTables Rockstars to help them with their weekly test and times table knowledge.

Year 3 Mrs Jackson

Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We have another busy term ahead with lots of exciting topics to cover. This newsletter will provide you with all the subject areas we will be covering this term in Year 3 as well as the key areas of English and Maths learning.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need any other information or would like to discuss any other matters.

Mrs Jackson

Year 3 English

This term, the children in **Year 3** will be learning to :

- Use a range of punctuation with increasing accuracy
- Use a wide range of conjunctions to join sentences and develop ideas.
- Use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech.
- Select words for effect.
- Use apostrophe for contraction and singular possession.
- Vary sentence openers.
- Understand main clauses and begin to understand subordinate clauses.

In addition to our English lesson we will also have spelling sessions and daily whole class reading sessions which will include many different texts, such as fiction, non fiction, poetry and picture books.

Year 3 Maths

This term in Maths lessons children will be covering objectives linked to the following areas—Multiplication and Division, Money, Statistics, Length and Perimeter and Fractions

Like last term, each Friday there will be a **times table** test to help your child learn their tables. This year we will be consolidating their 2, 5 and 10 times tables from last year and practising 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

Science

In Science, this half term the class will be learning all about Sound. They will identify how sounds are made, recognise that vibrations from sounds travel through a medium to the ear, find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it as well as recognise that sounds get fainter as distance from the sound increases. Next half term they will learning all about Electricity. They will do a variety of experiments involving the use of a simple circuit. They will identify some common appliances which run on electricity as well as some common conductors and insulators.

Computing

This term in Computing the children will be learning all about the internet. We will focus on internet research, identifying which word gives the better results when searching and how to share a webpage with others. They will also look closely at online safety, learning about cyberbullying, identify adverts online, create a strong password, identify an email that they should not open and discuss the positive and negative aspects of online communities.

History/Geography

In the first half term the children will study History. We will be learning about the *Ancient Greeks* including how the *Ancient Greeks* have shaped our lives today, why they were so powerful and daily life in these times. After half term, they will have *Geography* each week. The topic is "Why do we have cities?". The focus is on the cities of the UK. This topic looks at the functions and features of cities as well as how cities have changed over time.

R.E.

In RE. this term, the children will be learning about 'What do Christians believe about Jesus?' In this topic they will learn about some of Jesus' parables and His life. In the second half term, the children will learn about some important days in the Christian calendar associated with Lent.

Art and Design

In Design Technology this half term the topic is called 'Moving Monsters' which involves looking at pneumatics; designing and making their own moving monster. In Art after half term, we will be experimenting with different printing techniques and focusing in particular on the work of William Morris.

Music

Music will take place every Wednesday. Children will continue learning to play the recorder. Alongside learning about musical notation, the children will continue to hone their pulse and rhythm skills and be exposed to different styles and genres of music.

P.E.

For PE this term we will be going swimming. Children will require their kits each Tuesday and this will continue until Easter.

French

In French children will continue to follow the SALUT programme. The first half term we will be doing activities and learning vocabulary linked to the days of the week, numbers to 20 and colours. After half term, the topic is all about 'School' and we will look at different vocabulary and sentence work linked to this.