

Year 3 Summer Term 2019

Welcome back from Miss Dowsell, Mr Emeny and Mrs Yazdi!



Welcome back everyone to our final term of Year 3. Firstly, we hope you had a wonderful Easter holidays and that you are looking forward to the term ahead. Below, are a few reminders of this term and an insight into what we will be covering.

Main topics for this term

Maths:

This term we will be continuing our work following the Herts Essential Maths plans. In addition, Mr Emeny, on a Thursday, will also be progressing the children's fluency, problem solving and reasoning using carousels, maths activities and games to support the sequence they are learning. To start the term we are going to be focusing on multiplying by 10 and long multiplication and then moving onto problem solving with division and multiplication and then towards the end of the term we are going to be looking at time. Therefore, if you would like to do anything to support at home, it would be great if you could help your children keep up with learning their division and times table facts and also focus on telling the time.

English:

In English we are going to be looking at a new scheme of work which promotes the love of reading. We therefore have a focus text this term and we are going to be doing numerous writing and grammar activities based upon this book. This term we have chosen 'UG: Boy genius of the stone age'. This will link very nicely to our topic this term on the Stone Age. Every child will continue to read once a week as part of a group during a guided reading session. These books will sometimes be on Bug Club. If you do not have your login could you please come and ask one of us to give it to you at the start of the term. A short homework task will be set in relation to the children's reading each week. As part of your child's continuing development, regular reading of a variety of texts at home is extremely beneficial, both individual reading and being read to. In addition, the termly reading challenge will continue and we will be changing the teams around. Well done for everyone who took part last term!

Science:

In Science this term we are going to finish off learning about light and then



**Tuesday 11th
June 2019**

Celtic Harmony
history trip.



**Wednesday 1st
May 2019**

Open evening! We would love to see as many of you as possible to come and have a look at the work we have been doing over the year!

moving onto forces and magnets. We are very excited to get everyone investigating as much as possible and developing the children's curiosity. Well done on supporting the children with their homework at the end of last term, creating a reflective item to help Bob get to work in the dark. They look fantastic and I am sure Bob will be seen by everyone.

Geography:

Continuing from the children's great work they did last term on volcanoes and earthquakes, this half term we are going to be creating our own volcanoes. In addition, we will be having a look at the environment and landmarks of England.



History:

In history we are going to be looking at Stone Age Britain. This will link to our school trip taking place on Tuesday 11th of June 2019. We are heading back to Celtic Harmony for some insight into what it was like for people in Britain during the Stone Age period!

Music:

Mrs Lines is going to continue coming in on Monday afternoons to teach recorder so please ensure the children remember to bring their recorder in. Make sure they also take these home after the Monday lesson so they can practise at home and they should not be stored for the week in their trays. There will be an end of year concert taking place on Monday 1st July at 2:45. It will be great to see as many parents there as possible.

Computing:

In computing we are going to be focusing on videoing, which we will be linking to our D&T project and we would also like to develop skills using PowerPoint, word and the internet. The children's email addresses from last term will be deactivated for E-safety. We will be referencing E-safety throughout the term.

P.E

In P.E this half term, in addition to the daily run, we will be looking at sports such as tennis, athletics and rounders. If anyone does these outside of school we will be using expertise in the classroom to help fellow classmates. We will be doing P.E on Monday afternoons and Friday mornings. Therefore, you will need to bring P.E kit for these days and sensible, safe trainers for outdoor P.E. Please make sure all kits are brought in as we had to give out a lot of spare clothing by the end of last term. Also, please make sure that all children have P.E shorts and potentially sun cream as by the end of the term it will be getting hot (fingers crossed) and we will still be going outside for P.E.

Swimming:

This term swimming starts! This will be on a Thursday afternoon so please ensure the children bring their, swimming costumes, swimming towel, goggles and a swimming hat. This will take place for half an hour and the rest of the time Mr Emeny will be teaching R.E in class. For the first lesson we will be putting children into ability groups based on the information given by parents but these may be changed round after the first lesson. The final swimming group will finish at 3:10 so we will aim to get them dressed and back to school as quickly as possible. However, as it is a tight time limit we apologise if they are a few minutes late.

HOME STUDY:

Home study tasks will continue to be set on a Friday to be returned on the following Wednesday. It is important that your child hands in completed tasks on time and your help with this is very much appreciated. If MyMaths is not completed there will be a home study club taking place in the classroom on a Wednesday lunchtime. There is a section in the literacy workbook for you to sign.

E-SAFETY AT HOME

It has come to our attention, at the end of last term, that some children have been discussing film/ gaming content in school that is either rated a 12 or above. This can mean some children, who are not exposed to this at home, feel worried by the content discussed. Therefore, we would ask you if you could keep an eye on the rating of the games or films children are watching. In addition, Youtube, if left unsupervised can pop up with some older content. Kidstube does not do this as it is all monitored on the app. Therefore, videos on there should all be appropriate.

Assembly:

Our assembly will be taking place on Friday 10th May 2019. Thank you for helping the children learn their lines over the Easter break and we hope to see as many parents there as possible. Notes about costumes will be given nearer the time.

As you are aware we were very excited to announce earlier this year that Mrs Yazdi will be having a baby. Therefore, we will be saying goodbye and good luck to her in mid - June! We wish her all the best and we are looking forward to cuddles with the little one in the future.

Any more information you would like about the curriculum in Year 3 can be found on the school website.

For regular updates on what is happening in the Year 3 classroom, please follow us on Twitter [@MapleSchoolYr3](https://twitter.com/MapleSchoolYr3). For whole school news and events please go to

www.news.maple.herts.sch.uk

Thank you, for taking the time to read this newsletter. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term ahead. If you ever have any queries feel free to pop in and see me in the classroom after school or make an appointment with the admin team.

Best wishes,

Miss Dowsell and the Year 3 team!

