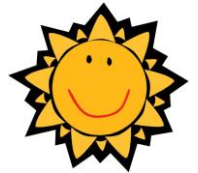




Year 3 Newsletter



Summer 2022

Welcome back! We hope you all had an enjoyable and peaceful Easter break. It's so good to be back and we are all looking forward to a busy and exciting Summer Term!

There will be lots going on this term!

P.E. will continue to take place on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Weather permitting we will be outside doing netball, athletics, tennis and rounders. Please make sure your children wear suitable outdoor trainers and their P.E. kits on these days.

In Literacy this term we will be looking at adventure stories, persuasive writing, letter writing, free verse, biographies & autobiographies and explanation texts. The children will also be studying different types of nouns, noun phrases, paragraphs and word families in their grammar lessons. The Year 3 statutory words will be the main focus now in their weekly spellings.

Every alternate Tuesday, the children will have the opportunity to visit the library, where they can choose 2 books. In order to continue your child's progress in reading it is important that they read aloud to an adult at home frequently, and complete their reading diary. Please make sure your child's reading diary is in school on a daily basis. They may also have Guided Reading tasks to complete each week, which will be indicated in their diary. Remember there are also many exciting books to read at home on Bug Club.

During Maths this term we will be looking at fractions of numbers and shapes, equivalent fractions and comparing fractions. Throughout the term the children we will also be studying decimals, time and continuing their work on division and multiplication. It is also important that the children continue to learn to tell the time at home whenever possible, and that they are confident in this, including working out time differences and converting between hours, minutes and seconds.

Throughout this term the children will continue to work on their times tables. By the end of Year 3, all children are expected to know their 2,3,4,5,8 & 10 times tables but we will continue to extend children further to x 6, 7 & 9, if they are ready for these. The children will also continue to be tested on their tables and division facts through the TT Rock Star assessments. They can access this site at home and take part in our fun in-class tournaments (mostly set on a Sunday 2-4pm: check Google Classroom for more information). We have seen excellent progress made through the tables challenge and tests so far this year, so thank you for your continued support.

In Science this term we will finish our topic on the human body and then we will be learning about plants and growing. In History we will be looking at the Ancient Greeks. In ICT we will be learning about emails, branching, simulations and power points/Google slide presentations. ICT is also incorporated into many other subjects through research, presentations and word processing.

In Art we will be looking at the works of Van Gogh and developing our line and colour mixing skills. We will be combining this with some D.T. work on shell structures. In R.E. we will be continuing our studies of Christianity and Islam, by learning about their sacred texts and faith stories. We will also be thinking about right & wrong and justice & fairness. Our recorder classes will be continuing so please can you remind your children to bring in their recorders on Mondays.

English and Maths homework will continue to be set on a Friday on Google Classroom. English homework (in the workbooks) should be returned by the following Wednesday. Maths homework does not need to be sent in to school. The children should try to complete the tasks independently where possible, but your continued help and support is appreciated.

Spellings will also still be handed out on Fridays and children will be tested on these the following Friday. It is important that they learn the spellings, but also understand the meaning of the words they are given. They could write sentences using these words and also find them in a dictionary to look up the definition. Your help and support at home will be beneficial and again, very much appreciated. We will be doing work on the spellings throughout the week.

Please ensure that if your child has long hair, it is tied back neatly and that they are wearing correct, named school uniform and P.E. kit.

Miss Potts will continue to teach for part of Tuesday afternoon and Friday afternoon to cover Mrs Noble's and Mrs Turner's PPA (planning, preparation and assessment) time.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We all look forward to another exciting and busy term, and thank you for your continued help and support. Your children continue to be a real pleasure to teach.

Mrs Noble, Mrs Turner and Miss Potts

Dates for the diary:

Wednesday 27th April - Open Evening

Friday 29th April & Monday 2nd May - School closed

Thursday 7th July - Trip to Roald Dahl Museum in Great Missenden
(Details to come home nearer the time)