

Year Three Spring Newsletter



Year 3

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Dear Parents,

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas holiday. This newsletter will briefly cover the key information for the next big term in Class Three.

Maths

For the Spring term we will continue to cover the key aspects of Maths which are; number, space shape and measure, handling data and using and applying maths.

Timestable knowledge is extremely important as this age. We will continue to do weekly timestable tests on a Friday. Children record their scores on a bar chart in their books. They earn a house point by beating their best score.

English

In English this term we will be looking at 'Traditional tales with a twist.' We have started off focusing on the well known tale 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' We will consider both sides of the story, allowing children to consider why the troll tried to eat everything. Class Three will also use the story 'Hansel and Gretel' and attempt to create our own modern twist on the story. After the half term we will be using the theme of 'Dragons' to inspire our writing.

Reading

Your child should be reading regularly at home. Little and often is best so reading for just 10 – 15 mins every day will really support your child's education. House points are awarded for evidence of children reading at least 4 times a week in their homework diary. Reading is fundamental to develop your child's writing and will also enhance their speaking and listening skills. Remember the questions asked are just as important as hearing them read.

Geography

The focus over the next term will be on Geography. Our topic will be called 'Where in the world' looking at places in the U.K as well as countries around the world. It will help children develop their map skills and geographical awareness. The idea of this topic is to give children a better understanding of the world around them. If you have any interesting books, artefacts or

interesting object linked to the topic and wouldn't mind them be used for this term then please bring them in. After the half term we will be learning about volcanoes.

Science

For this small term Year 3 will be looking at 'Forces and magnets' and have already brought in some interesting show and tells. Next term we will be looking at 'Rocks and Soils.' We will cover a number of experiments over the Spring term to develop children's scientific enquiry skills.

P.E

P.E will happen every Monday with myself, and every Tuesday afternoon during the PPA cover with Mr Shorter from Ignite sports. Please ensure your child always has a suitable outdoor P.E kit as well as indoor kit in case of wet weather. Year Three will

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P.P.A cover will happen every Tuesday afternoon. During the afternoon your child will have violin lessons with Mr Fullylove, French with Ms Dark and P.E by Ignite Sports.

Homework

Homework will continue to go out every Monday and is due back on the Friday. The homework will alternate between one piece of Maths, English or Topic focused work.

Trips

We hope to do a local trip to the Harcourt Arboretum and/or Wittenham Clumps over the next big term but this is still to be confirmed. Our main trip will be in the Summer term.

Finally I would like to say if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to drop in after school to see me or book an appointment through the office. I look forward to working alongside you to ensure your child continues to have a fantastic year.

Miss Hustwayte