



## Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter - September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have enjoyed a fantastic summer break; I am sure the children are now ready and raring to start the new school year.

We have an exciting term ahead planned for Year 3, with some interesting topics planned.

Mrs Lawrence is our classroom assistant and Miss Parker is our new PE teacher. Mrs Blyth teaches the children R.E. and Computing. They are all looking forward to getting to know your children

Below you will find some of the topics we will be exploring over the Autumn Term.

| Autumn Term                     |  |
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| Maths                           | Number and place value; addition and subtraction; multiplication and division;         |
| English                         | Instructions, stories set in the past, non-chronological reports, poetry               |
| Science                         | Rocks, Forces & Magnets  |
| Topic<br>(History/<br>Art & DT) | Who first lived in Britain? (The Stone Age)<br>Were the Egyptians wonderful or wicked? |
| RE                              | Judaism, Spirituality  |
| PE                              | Golf   |
| PSHE                            | Friendships, Health and Wellbeing  |
| Computing                       | Programming, Exploring Computer Networks   |

### PE

PE will take place on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their full kit on these days. Their PE kit should consist of a white T-shirt, navy/black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and black pumps or trainers. In addition, long hair should be tied back, and earrings should be taped or removed for safety purposes.

### Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and will consist of a piece of Maths, English or Topic work which should be returned by the following Thursday morning. Spelling lists will

be given on a Friday with words to be learnt for a test the following week and additional spelling practice will take place in class.

### **Reading**

Your support at home is invaluable and I would ask you to continue to hear your child read as much as possible, even 10 minutes of shared reading can make a huge difference. When reading with your child, please take time to ask them questions about the book to check their understanding. If you can then record how they have got on in their reading record book, this will be valuable feedback for us to follow up in school to further support your child's reading. We have a class 'reading race' in which the children are rewarded with stickers on their bookmarks for home reading. Additional whole class reading lessons take place in class on a weekly basis.

### **Dismissal of the class**

At the end of the day the children will be led out into the bottom playground. They are then asked to line up and raise their hands when they see the adult collecting them. This is so the teacher knows each child has been collected by the correct adult. Although it may take slightly longer to dismiss the class, it is for the safety of the children, and we thank you for your patience. Where possible, please inform school if your child is going to be collected by a different adult.

### **Playtimes**

Children in KS2 can bring in their own piece of fruit/vegetable to have at playtime as unfortunately they are no longer entitled to a piece of food under the Government fruit and vegetable scheme.

### **Local Walk ( 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021)**

As part of the Stone Age topic I would like to take the class on a local walk to Buck Wood where there is a prehistoric archaeological settlement. I am proposing to go next Thursday morning (16.9.21). If you are able to come with us, please come and speak to me as we really need an extra adult for the walk to be able to go ahead.

If you would like more information about any of the topics being taught this term, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Snowden/Mrs Lawrence

