

Year 3

Dear Parents,

After a brilliant start to Year 3, we are really looking forward to a fun and busy second half term.

As always, our door is always open if you have any questions or comments about the children's learning.

Miss Hastings and the Year 3 Team

English:

This term we will be completing a poetry study of work by Dr Seuss.

We will be looking at My Many Coloured Days, The Lorax and Dr Seuss's ABC.

Children will learn to:

- Write and perform a poem.
- Write a review.
- Develop their grammatical knowledge and comprehension skills.



Children will continue to read weekly as part of our reciprocal reading sessions. It would be great if you could ask your child what they have been learning about in reciprocal reading and their English lessons to reinforce the learning that takes place.

In Creative Writing sessions, children will be demonstrating their understanding of writing at a Year 3 level and therefore it is important that they are here for all sessions so as to build their portfolio.

Remember to read at least 5 times a week and to fill in your Reading Journal!

Also, practise your spellings every day so that you become a super speller!

Mathematics

This term pupils will be focusing on:

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| 1 | Mental multiplication; fractions, ratio and proportion; problem solving, reasoning and algebra |
| 2 | Measurement; mental addition and subtraction; problem solving, reasoning and algebra |
| 3 | Measurement; geometry: properties of shapes |
| 4 | Number and place value; mental addition and subtraction; problem solving, reasoning and algebra |
| 5 | Mental multiplication and division; mental addition and subtraction; problem solving, reasoning and algebra |

Remember to practise your times tables daily using Times Tables Rockstars! Passwords have been stuck into the front of Learning Logs.

Personal, Health, Social and Community Education (P.H.S.C.E.)

During this half term, we will be focusing on learning how to use our Character Muscles to work together as part of a team. We will learn how to identify our own strengths and weaknesses.

P.E.

This half term pupils will be developing their skills in the areas of:

- Swimming (Tuesday mornings)
- Football (Friday afternoons)

They will benefit from PE sessions with specialists from Leicester City Football Club.

Remember to bring your kit for both sessions!

Science—Rocks, Fossils and Soils

This term we are looking at Rocks and Soils. We will learn about the following areas:

- Different types of rocks
- Comparing and grouping rocks
- Fossils
- How soil is formed



Science—Forces and Magnets

This term we will also learn about Forces and Magnets. We will learn about the following areas:

- Pushes and pulls
- Magnetic and non-magnetic materials
- The strength of magnets
- Magnetic poles



The children will develop scientific enquiry skills through practical sessions.

Religious Education

We believe that it is important for children to be able to consider the viewpoints of others and respect their similar and differing views.

Through RE sessions, we will be looking at how Christians follow Jesus. We will look at the following questions:

- Why do Christians believe Jesus was born?
- What do we know about Jesus' life story?
- What did Jesus teach and how can a Christian 'follow' Jesus?



Children will have the opportunity to reflect on how people of no faith live their lives and on how they follow their own faiths, if they have one.

French

We will be starting our 'All About Me' unit. Children will learn classroom instructions, the names of their body parts, different actions, colours and the names of different pieces of clothing.

Important Dates:

- 12th November — Anti-Bullying Week
- 16th November — Orchestra Unwrapped
- 3rd December — Enterprise Fortnight
- 14th December — Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Fayre
- 21st December — Carol Service and school closes for Christmas holiday (Re-opens 8th January 2019)

