

Reminders

Homework

Your child will be given homework every week on Friday and it should be uploaded onto SEESAW by the following Thursday morning. Your child will also get a reading book and spellings. The reading books will be issued on a **Monday** and should be returned by a **Friday**.

Six of the topic homework tasks from the grid should be completed by Christmas, with an expectation of three per half term. If you have a busier week, please ensure the Maths is completed, but the Topic can be left for the following week.

Spelling

The aim of our new spelling system is for the children to learn the sounds/rules/patterns so that they can apply them in their everyday learning and lessons.

We will be focusing on phonics and alternative spellings of different sounds in a daily 'Spelling Session'. As part of our Spelling Policy, we will assess the children in a variety of ways including a dictation on a Friday, the use of accurate spellings in Literacy Fluency and the application of spelling rules/ patterns throughout the entire curriculum.

P.E.

The children will have PE twice a week and they will need: House coloured T-shirt, shorts, a sweatshirt/tracksuit etc. and trainers. **Please ensure that all items of uniform are named, hair is tied up and that your child is not wearing any jewellery, including earrings.**

Break time snacks

Please note: Snacks for break time should be fruit, vegetables or small pieces of cheese - not bars. Children also need to bring a named water bottle containing water for drinking throughout the day.

Year 3

Autumn Term Curriculum Update 2021-2022



Important Dates for the Term

'Meet the Teacher' – W/C 13st September

Half term – W/C 25th October

English

We will start the year with work based on the book Zeraffa Giraffa and then move on to a unit of work focusing on dinosaurs. In the first half term, we will also complete an extended piece of writing based on our History topic. Within our lessons, we will be reminding all pupils to use capital letters and full stops correctly, as well as extending their sentences by using conjunctions.

In the second half term, we will be completing some Cine-Literacy with The Lion King. In addition, we will be completing a long piece of writing based in Geography. Following that, we will explore the book 'Winter's Child'.

Maths

We will be working on our place value knowledge, addition, subtraction and multiplication predominantly. In Year 3, we use numbers up to 1000 and children should be able to know for example that 528 can be made of 52 tens and 8 ones as well as 5 hundreds, two tens and 8 ones. We will also be focusing on training the children to become more confident with our resources in order for them to understand these mathematical concepts.

Computing

This term provides the opportunity to explore how computers can support our learning. We will also be learning how to log in, open and save files and finally edit text and pictures.

History and Geography

Our History this term is 'Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to Iron Age'. We will also focus on locational knowledge, climates and countries in Geography

Science

In Science this term, we will be exploring light, light sources and shadows. This is a super topic and the children will enjoy discovering about reflective surfaces and being creative with shadows. After half term, we move on to learning about rocks and fossils.

Art and DT

We will be exploring pneumatics (system using air pressure) as a method of designing and making our own moving monsters.

RE

Christianity and Islam are the key religions, which we will be exploring this term. We will be considering the importance of special books, places and significant aspects of these religions.

Music

In Music this term, we will be linking with French and studying French music. From November, all music lessons will be dedicated learning Christmas songs.

PE

We will start by learning the essential skills needed when playing rapid-fire cricket and rugby then apply these in games. However, P.E. topics may vary due to the excellent, additional sporting opportunities and festivals, which will arise throughout the year.

French

We will be learning some basic greeting phrases, family names and numbers. We will also be singing some super songs in French. .

Learning Commitments – Autumn 2020

Learning Commitments are targets that parents will engage with at home with their children, in addition to a child's weekly homework. These may be life skills, academic skills or topic linked skills, which the children are going to need to develop over the course of the term.

Year 3's Autumn Term Learning Commitments

- Hear your child read every day and ask questions about the text.
- Work towards your child securely knowing the first 200 High Frequency
- Encourage your child to always begin a sentence with a capital letter and end with the appropriate punctuation.
- Work towards your child securely knowing the times tables 2, 5, & 10 and the related division facts (then move to the times tables 3, 4 & 8).