

Summer 1



Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back to Year 3!

Welcome back to another great half term. We all hope you all had a lovely time at home over the Easter holidays and enjoyed all the chocolate.

Year 3 Homework Gallery

We as a Year 3 team are very impressed with the curriculum homework. Well done. There were some brilliant rockets and some interesting sandwiches.



The Curriculum

English

In English, the children will be learning the featured of a transformational narrative. They will learn the story 'How the giraffe got a long neck' based on the Tinga Tinga Tales before applying the language and structure to their own story. A strong focus during this unit will be teaching the children how to use speech punctuation and how to correctly apply paragraphs.

Maths

In maths the children will be extending their knowledge of fractions, including looking at fractions of amounts, adding and subtracting fractions and recognising equivalences. After this we will move on to looking at money, understanding pounds and pence, converting pounds and pence, adding and subtracting money and giving change.

Other Curriculum Subjects.

In **Science** the children will be learning about plants. The children will be exploring the different parts of a plant and their purpose, investigating what a plant needs to survived and looking at the life cycle of a plant.

In **History** the children will be learning about the Iron Age. As part of this, the children will learn how artefacts help us understand the lives of people from the past.

In **R.E** the children will be learning about prayer in Islam.

In **computing** they will be learning how to use branching databases using Purplemash. They will then move on to learning how to use simulations.

In **Art** the children will be learning how to replicate patterns and make a printing block. They will also create repeating patterns using different colours

In **music** the children will be singing show tunes.

In **P.E** the children will learn how to play tennis and take part in athletics.

Key Dates

On 21st May there will be a singing showcase for Year 3 parents, performed by the Year 3 children.

6th May - Bank Holiday

As part of the science curriculum Year 3 will be going to Whipsnade Zoo on either Tuesday 18th June or Wednesday 19th June - More information to follow

Reading

Your children have one reading for pleasure book which they have selected from the classroom as well as one library book. Please take the time to hear your child read 5 times a week and record this in the reading record book.

Times tables

Knowing their times tables fluently will help your child in many different areas of mathematics. By the end of Year 3 children are expected to know off by heart their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 10 times tables. All the children have access to Times Tables Rock Stars where they can practice these. <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/17857> Their login is the same as the one they use for Purple Mash.

Homework

The children will continue to be given 9 homework tasks to pick from. Please encourage your child to complete one task each week. At the end of each half term homework is shared and celebrated.

Things to remember

- P.E is on Tuesdays and Fridays and the children come to school in their kits.
- Long hair should be tied back and any earrings should be studs or small hoops.
- As the weather warms up please remember to send children in with a water bottle and hat.