

Dear Y3 Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Spring break.

Below is information which we hope will be helpful to you.

PE

Our PE days are **Monday** and **Tuesday**. The children will be covering athletics and teambuilding. The children will need appropriate kit in case we have outdoor PE. Please bring PE kits on a Monday and take them home on a Friday.

Pumps

We still have a few children in class without pumps or an appropriate change of shoes. (Alternative shoes for medical reasons are fine). As the weather is changeable and it is very sludgy outside, any children who don't have a change of shoes will not be allowed out at break times as it is making our carpets and learning spaces very dirty.

Reading Books

Your child will bring home a reading book to enjoy and share with you at home. They can also read books or other reading materials of their choosing at home. Please record in their reading diary when they have read to an adult or maybe an older sibling. We ask that reading diaries are in your child's book bag every day. If reading diaries are filled then we will send home a second diary free of charge, however if it is lost then we ask that a new one is bought from the office at the cost of £1. Your child is welcome to change their book any day of the week when they have completed it, however, it is their responsibility to ensure books are changed regularly. Children should aim to read at home at least 3 times per week and reading raffle tickets will be awarded for reading.

Spelling books

We have changed our spelling scheme and will now be following the Read Write Inc scheme. Some children have reached the end of the spelling scheme and we will be recapping rules of spelling from Year 2 and 3 as these are not fully embedded by some children. They will have a range of spellings each week and will be tested on 6 of these on a Monday. New spellings will go home on a Monday and home spelling books will need to be in school. Spelling Shed can still be used as the children's spellings will be on there to practise. Please support your child in learning their spellings.

Homework

Children are encouraged to be practising spellings and time tables online regularly. As a school we have subscribed to websites to support the children with their learning. Seesaw will be used in school regularly and may be used for learning at home if the need arises. The children have been given their individual logins for Seesaw, TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed. Please support your child with their learning on these platforms.

Children are expected to complete an English and Maths activity each week using Mirodo. These are very short tasks and will support children with their learning in school. Any children who don't complete their tasks will be invited to a homework club on a Thursday lunch time to support them to access this.

Remember, you can find The Sycamores on Twitter (now known as X) @TheEllisY3. We use X/Twitter to share the learning we are doing at school, celebrate achievements and give information.

Kind Regards

The Y3 Team

Summer 1 learning overview

English

We will start the half term by exploring Tadeo Jones from Literacy Shed Plus. We will look at settings and writing narratives. We will then explore 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx'.

In our VIPERS (reading) lessons, we will develop our comprehension skills whilst reading 'The Boy who Biked the World' by Alistair Humphreys.

Maths

Miss Cook will teach Number Monday to Wednesday. Miss Beresford will teach Shape, Space and Measure on Thursday and Friday. Children will complete arithmetic tasks for morning work on Seesaw and are welcome to complete additional ones in their own time at home.

In Number, we will learn about division and fractions. In Shape, Space and Measure, we will be looking at time.

Science

Our Science learning will focus on roots and shoots!

History

In History, we will be answering the question 'What did the Ancient Egyptians believe?'

Re

In RE, we will be exploring the question 'How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?'

PE

We will be focusing on teambuilding and athletics.

DT

In DT, our unit is castles and structures.

Computing

We will be learning about Programming: events and actions in programs.

French

We will be learning the names of basic foods and ordering from a menu.

Music

We will be listening and learning about jazz music.

PSHE

We will be looking at keeping and staying safe.