

Dear Y3 Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday. We can't believe we are into the summer terms already!

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

PE

Our PE days **Monday** and **Wednesday**. Please could children come in their PE kits on these days. The children will need appropriate kit when we have outdoor PE. Tracksuit bottoms, black jacket and trainers are suitable and will ensure the children keep warm if the weather is cooler.

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.

Homework

Children are encouraged to be regularly practising spellings and time tables online regularly. As a school we have subscribed to websites to support the children with their learning. Please support your child with their learning on these platforms. Children are expected to complete an English or Maths activity each week using Mirodo. These are very short tasks and will support children with their learning in school.

Summer 1 learning overview

English

We will start the half term by exploring Journey by Aaron Becker. The children will be developing their storytelling skills by creating their own narratives inspired by the text, focusing on descriptive language, character feelings, and clear story structure. They will also practise key grammar and punctuation skills, as well as planning, drafting, and editing their work. Throughout the unit, we will encourage creativity and thoughtful discussion as pupils engage with the themes of the story.

Maths

This half term we will starting our unit on time. The children will learn to read and write the time on analogue and digital clocks, including using Roman numerals, and will explore concepts such as a.m. and p.m. They will also develop their understanding of minutes and seconds, compare durations, and solve problems involving time.

Science

In Science, our learning will focus on how plants grow. The children will learn about the different parts of a plant and their functions. They will investigate what plants need to grow well and explore how water is transported within plants. The pupils will also look at the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination and seed dispersal.

History

In History, we will be exploring the question 'Why did the Romans invade and settle in Britain?' The children will explore who the Romans were and why they came to Britain, as well as the impact they had on life in Britain. They will learn about key aspects of Roman life and consider how the Roman legacy still influences us today

RE

In RE, we will be exploring the question 'What do Christians learn from the Creation story?' The children will learn about the Christian belief that God created the world, exploring the story of Creation from the Bible and what it teaches about caring for the Earth

PE

We will be focusing on athletics and outdoor and adventurous activities/ team building.

DT

In DT, we will be at Structures: Constructing a Castle. We will look at the features of a castle and how to create a sturdy structure before constructing our own castles.

Computing

We will be learning about creating media and desktop publishing.

French

We will be learning about names of French foods and ordering from a menu.

Music

We will be looking at the style of jazz. We will listen to different pieces of jazz music and look at the features. We will also use the glockenspiels to create our own call and response.

PSHE

We will be thinking about keeping and staying healthy.

Kind regards,

The Y3 Team