

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 next 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'. Every Friday we will have a dictation to test these spellings.

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 2020-2021



Important Dates for the Term

(subject to change)

'Meet the Teacher' – W/C 21st September
Flu jabs – 29th September
Half term – W/C 26th October

English

For the first half of term our Literacy topic is Dinosaurs. We will be using books such as 'How to Grow a Dinosaur'. We will be recapping on work, which the children did in Year 2, such as reminding them about capital letters and full stops, as well as building up sentences with conjunctions.

In the second half term, we will be exploring traditional tales from different characters' points of view. In addition, we will be creating poems and completing a long piece of writing based in Geography. Following that, we will be doing some Cine-Literacy with The Lion King and finishing the term with Christmas kenning poetry.

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 people in paintings and pictures and how these relationships are portrayed. The children will also draw their own portraits.

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 then apply these in games.

French

We will be learning about how to talk about us and who we are. The children will also learn some basic facts about France to link with a geographical understanding.

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

- Take responsibility for own resources in school;
- Learn the school routine and follow this;
- Begin to be responsible for knowing the items they need to bring to school and take home at the end of the day.