

## Year 3 Newsletter – Spring Term 2.

Welcome back to Spring Term 2. I hope you had a relaxing break with your children. This newsletter details information about this term's curriculum. It will also give you key dates for this term at the bottom of the newsletter.

### **As a reminder:**

Please remember to **name** your child's school jumper or cardigan and that lower Key Stage 2 uniform is **black/grey trousers/skirt, a white polo shirt, a purple jumper/cardigan and black shoes.**

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak with me at the end of the school day.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Miss Lowe

### **Spelling and Reading**

This year we will have our test spelling on a Friday and new spellings will be sent home on a Monday. In reading we will be focusing on fluency, reading pace and reading for meaning.

Our class text this term will be Shakespeare – Richard III.



### **Writing**

In English we will be writing:

- The River poem (to analyse and perform)
- Shakespeare: Richard III (to analyse and discuss)
- Essay Science



**PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO GO ONTO SPELLING SHED REGULARLY TO PRACTISE THEIR SPELLINGS.**

### **Maths**

In maths we will be learning about:

- multiplication and division
- fractions



**PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO GO ONTO TT ROCKSTARS REGULARLY TO PRACTISE THEIR TIMES TABLES.**

### **Science**

This term, the children will learn about plants. The children will learn about:

1. Botany and Flowering Plants
2. Requirements for Life and Growth
3. Water Transportation in Plants
4. Pollination in Flowering Plants
5. Seed Dispersal



### **Computing**

In computing this term we will be working on Data and information – Branching Databases.



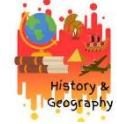
## **Art & Design/Design & Technology**

This term we will be studying Anglo Saxon Art.



## **Geography/History**

In geography, the children will learn about the UK: the south-west.



In history children will continue to learn about:

- Anglo Saxon England
- The Scots and the Picts
- Anglo Saxon Settlements
- Anglo Saxon Culture and Religion
- Who were the Vikings?
- Viking Raids and Invasion

## **Music – More Musical Style**

This term we will be learning how to compose using your imagination. The children will continue to read the notation of one of the easy instrumental parts when playing together, time signatures, pitch and harmony in music. The children will explore singing and playing instruments together.



## **PE**

In PE we will be learning about:

- multi-skills
- athletics

## **PSHE**

In PSHE we will be covering the topic 'Healthy me'. This topic includes lessons on:

- Being fit and healthy
- Drugs
- Keeping myself and others safe
- Eating a balanced diet
- Healthy relationships
- How to keep calm and deal with difficult situations



## **RE**

This term we will be investigating the Christianity question - What is 'good' about Good Friday?



## **Reminders**

Children are expected to read at home daily. Reading records should be brought into school each Friday for Dojo points to be awarded.

Weekly homework will be given out on a Friday to be handed in the following week. Dojo points will be given for weekly homework.



**Homework Project**

Please refer to the homework project sheet.

Dojo points will be awarded for homework projects – all children are expected to complete one of the projects and bring them into school by the end of the first week of term. We would love to display them on our shelves in the classroom!

**We encourage every child to spend at least 30 minutes on TT Rockstars multiplication practice a week.**

**We also encourage your child to go onto Ed Shed for Spelling practice - Minimum 2-3 sessions each week.**

**We have our weekly spelling check each Friday.**

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**Skills Builder**

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities.



**Times Tables Rockstars**



**Spelling Shed**



**Rewards**

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



**Class information**

**Class Teacher:** Miss Lowe

**Teaching Assistants:** Mrs Eden

**Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.**

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and when the weather is cooler, a warm, waterproof coat.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

**Dates for the diary!**



**Spring 2**

**Monday 24th February – School reopens to pupils**

**Thursday 6th March – World Book Day**

**Monday 10th to Thursday 13th March – Book fair**

**Wednesday 19th March – Parents Consultation Evening 3pm – 6.30pm**

**Thursday 20th March – Parents Consultation Evening 3pm – 5.30pm**

**Thursday 20th March – Class photos**

**Thursday 27th March – Nursery new intake meeting 3.30pm**

**Thursday 3rd April – Whole School production 'The Hobbit' 9.30am followed by Y5 & Y6 workshop**

**Friday 4th April – School closes for Easter**