

Year 3 Newsletter – Spring Term 2

Welcome back to Spring Term 2. 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 Nordic Tales.



Writing

In English we will be writing:

- Shakespeare: Richard III (to analyse and discuss)
- Essay Science
- Poetry – The River



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

Maths

In maths we will be learning about:

- time
- fractions



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

Science

This term, the children will learn about forces and magnets. The children will learn about:

1. Forces (Gravity)
2. Friction
3. Magnet
4. Magnetic Poles and Fields
5. Investigating the strength of magnets



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.

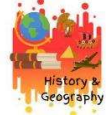


Geography/History

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 about 'Sounds from the Sea'.

PE

In PE we will be learning about:

- Fitness
- Quick cricket



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: Miss Dixon

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 23rd February – School reopens to pupils

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Monday 9th to Friday 13th March – Science week

Tuesday 17th March – Nursery intake meeting

Wednesday 18th March – Class photos

Wednesday 18th March – Parents Consultation Evening 3pm – 6.30pm

Thursday 19th March – Parents Consultation Evening 3pm – 5.30pm

Friday 20th March – Comic/Sports Relief

Friday 27th March – School closes