

Year 3 Newsletter – Spring Term 1

Welcome to Summer Term 1. 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:

Swimming lessons will commence on Monday 13th April. Lessons start at 9am so children will need to come into school for registration at 8.20am. We will be leaving school as soon as registration has been completed.

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:



Writing

In English we will be writing:

Fiction: Nordic Tales: Folktales (To tell a story).

Non-Fiction: Anglo-Saxon Art - What is the Bayeux Tapestry and why should we visit it? (To persuade)

Essay: Geography: What is the geography of Western Europe? (To describe)



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

Maths

In maths we will be learning about:

- Fractions – addition and subtraction
- Angles and Shapes
- Measures



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:

- A Botany and Flowering Plants
- Requirements for Life and Growth
- Water Transportation in Plants
- Pollination in Flowering Plants
- Seed Dispersal
- Assessment



Computing

In computing this term, we will be working on creating media – desktop publishing.



Art & Design/Design & Technology

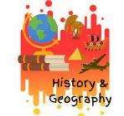
This term we will be studying architecture and cooking bread.



Geography/History

In geography, the children will learn about Western Europe:

In history, the children will learn about law and power.



Music – More Musical Style

This term we will be learning about stories in sound.



PE

In PE we will be learning about circuits and competitive Games



PSHE

In PSHE we will be covering the topic Relationships.



RE

This term we will be learning about what motivates a humanist to lead a good life.



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.
Please encourage your child to read! They are expected to read at home daily. Reading records should be brought into school every day for Dojo points to be awarded.**



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!



Summer 1

Monday 13th April – School reopens to pupils

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May – KS2 SATs

Wednesday 13th May – 1-3pm Forest School group A

Thursday 14th May – 1-3pm Forest School group B

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd May – Walk to school week

Thursday 21st May – Foundation subject parent drop in sessions

Friday 22nd May – School closes to pupils for Half Term

