

Year 3 Newsletter Spring 1 2025

Welcome back to another fantastic half-term in Year 3.

English

Our main focus for this half-term will be reading and writing non-chronological reports about the Iron age. The children will be learning how to summarise texts, explain the meaning of new and unfamiliar words and retrieve information from Iron age information books. They will then learn how to make notes and write their own information texts about the Iron age. Our library day this term will be on Mondays so please make sure your child has their library book with them on that day.

You can help your child to succeed in English by:

- Listening to your child read their reading book regularly and discussing the text. Our book changing day will be every Wednesday so please make sure your child has their reading book and their reading record which needs to be signed by an adult.
- Helping them to learn their spellings at the weekend before their spelling test on Mondays.
- Use the reading questions that are now in your child's reading record to develop their understanding of the text.

Maths

In Maths we will continue to focus on multiplication and division. The children will develop their understanding of multiplication and division using practical equipment and will then learn how to multiply and divide 2-digit numbers using the formal method. We will then move onto learning how to measure properly using metres, centimetres, and millimetres. After this we focus on length and perimeter by converting different units of measurement.

You can help your child to succeed in Maths by:

- Practising times tables and division facts with your child, and encouraging them to use Times Tables Rockstars at home;
- Reminding your child to complete their maths homework. They are given this every Wednesday and it should be handed in by Friday.

Topic

Mountains

Our next topic has a geography focus. As part of this unit, the children will learn what a mountain is and the different types of mountains, including their features and how to distinguish between them. They will also learn what the climate is like at different parts of a mountain and what the advantages and disadvantages would be to live on or near a mountain.

Art

The children will be looking at Iron Age art with a focus on brooches. The children will design and plan their own iron age brooch and sculpt their brooch out of clay.

P.E

This half term we will be doing PE on Thursdays and our unit of work is dance. Your child must bring their PE kit in every Monday. We will also be continuing with swimming every Tuesday morning. Please ensure your child comes to school on Tuesdays wearing their swimming costume under their uniform and with a towel and underwear in a bag.

French

In French the children will be learning how to ask each other their name and age and practising using the vocabulary of colours and different names of foods.

Happy New Year!

Mrs. Scarfe, Ms Reddish, Mrs Flory, Miss Kauser, Miss Costello, Miss Sayiam and Mrs Harding