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Dear Parents and Carers



YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER

I hope that you all enjoyed a lovely half term break. Welcome back! We have an exciting term ahead of us with lots to look forward to including Book Week and the annual Oranges and Lemons festival. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the very first Oranges and Lemons – a wonderfully special day in the history of our school! More information will follow in the coming weeks as our preparations for the big day continue.

Our learning in Year 3 this term will include:

English We've already begun a great whole-school project exploring Tom McLaughlin's book, 'The Story Machine'.
Year 3 will also be studying Miranda Paul's 'One Plastic Bag' (children are encouraged to please not read ahead with these books but to save this reading for our classroom exploration!)

Maths Measurement: measuring and calculating *length* and *perimeter* (m, cm, mm), comparing lengths, calculating equivalent lengths (eg. 2m = 200cm, 5cm = 50mm), adding and subtracting lengths
Number: *fractions* (finding fractions of a whole, fractions of a set of objects, equivalent fractions, representing tenths in different ways including as decimals, counting in tenths)

Geography Fairtrade

R.E. Christianity - Jesus' New Commandment
Who is the most important person in the Easter story?

Computing Opinion polls and keyboard skills

P.E. Indoor PE: dance
Outdoor PE: multi-sports led by a specialist sports coach

Art Collage – linked with our learning about recycling

Music 'The Dragon Song' - this is a song about kindness, respect and friendship (with Mrs Annesley)

Spanish Designing a monster - parts of the body, colours, numbers (with Señorita López)



Homework



Thank you for all your support with homework and reading at home. It's brilliant to see the progress children are making. Daily reading, spelling and times tables practice at home has such a great impact on this – thank you!

You may find this website useful for helping your child to practise their tables: www.timestables.co.uk. Building on the 2x, 5x and 10x tables that were learnt last year, in Year 3 we are focusing on learning and using the 3x, 4x and 8x tables.

Children are reminded to make sure that their blue Spelling Practice Book is handed in on Fridays, along with their homework folder, so that the new week's words can be stuck in. Many thanks.



Punctuality and Attendance

Thanks to your brilliant efforts to arrive at school on time every day, our class attendance last term was 96.7% (increased from 95% the previous term). Year 3 was awarded the school attendance trophy in Golden Assembly last week - congratulations, Year 3 team! Let's keep up the great work and keep hold of that trophy!

Book Week



To celebrate World Book Day, this Friday children are invited to come to school dressed as a book character from a story they enjoy. We're looking forward to welcoming your characters into the classroom and to hearing about your favourite books! There will be lots of exciting reading-related activities and events taking place across the school this week and next.

Many thanks for supporting The Big Read. It's been lovely to see the children's brilliant enthusiasm for reading!

I'm so enjoying working with Year 3. Thank you for your warm welcome and support last term.

As ever, please always feel free to chat to me in the playground, or do let me know if you'd like to meet at another time. I look forward to another action-packed term with your wonderful children!

With best wishes and many thanks,

Anna Fostir

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