

Year 3 Newsletter

SUMMER 2017

Dear Parents,
Welcome to the summer term! This is a quick letter to inform you about the different topics that we will be covering over the next few months.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Thursday to be handed in the following Wednesday. We hope that this will then provide enough time for activities to be completed and any questions answered.

Library

Children will continue to have the opportunity to visit the school library on Wednesday afternoons where they can choose a book to enjoy at home. Please ensure that they have their library book in school on Wednesdays so that they are able to change it.



Reading

Please try to read with your child regularly and discuss the pages read. It is more important to read a few pages with discussion and understand what they have read, rather than reading the whole book in one night.

It is beneficial to your child to spend quality uninterrupted time enjoying their reading book with an adult.

Please sign to show that you have listened to your child read. **Due to swimming, books will now be changed on a Monday.**

P.E.

Tuesday - Swimming

Wednesday - P.E.

Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school on a Monday ready for the week. P.E. kits must be in a clearly labelled bag. Kit: a white top, navy shorts and pumps. Please ensure that each item is clearly labelled with your child's name. Long hair must be tied back, and it would be appreciated if pupils could have a spare hairband in their bag.

This term's topics:

Theme 1: What the Romans did for us.

Theme 2: How does your garden grow?

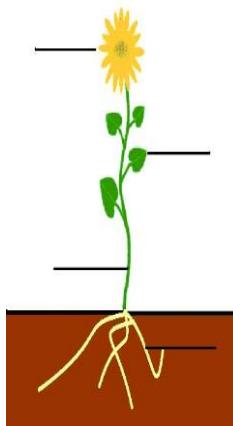
English

This half term in Literacy we will be studying the following: non-chronological reports and playscripts, both will link very closely with our history topic. Next half term we will be studying the novel The Enchanted Wood by Enid Blyton, explanation texts and poetry.

Maths

In maths we are continuing to develop understanding of place value, including ordering numbers, rounding and estimating. We will then use these skills to help interpret data and read graphs. This term

the focus will be on formal written methods for addition, subtraction (column method), multiplication and division. Later in the term we will further investigate 2D and 3D shapes, including measuring perimeter and identifying parallel and perpendicular lines. We will also be identifying angles in shapes. We will continue to learn to tell the time to the nearest minute and match analogue and digital clocks.



Science

In Science we will be learning about plants. The children will learn about the functions and parts of plants and investigate plant growth.

Art / DT

In Art, we will be investigating Roman mosaics and fresco paintings, leading to the children designing and creating their own.



Next half term in Design Technology our focus will be textiles. The children will explore the different ways fabrics are sewn together to form pictures and patterns. They will create their own applique design.

ICT

In ICT children will find out about and use a range of different methods of communication, highlighting the types of opportunities that networks give people around the world. They will also find out

about different computer networks.

E-Safety continues to be an important part of our curriculum. Children will learn to use technology responsibly and to keep passwords and personal data safe when online.

History



In History, the learning focuses on the settlement in Britain by Romans. We will investigate the impact on British life and society that occurred as a result of this.

Geography



In Geography children will study key aspects of human and physical geography in the Lake District. They will consider geographical similarities and differences between the Lake District our own locality.

Finally, if you have anything you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Yours sincerely,
Miss G Hartley / Miss J Young