

Autumn Term 2021

Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing summer break. This leaflet contains an overview of what your child will be learning in the Foundation subjects. Below, we have included what the children will be learning about in English and Maths.

In English we are learning about:

First half term: We are going to learn about traditional tales and create our own stories following a traditional structure. We will also learn about the features of complaint letters. We will use this to write about a trip to Skara Brae.

Second half term: We will learn an adventure story linking to a Magnetic Superhero. From this, we will create new scenarios for the hero and write newspaper reports. The children will learn how to use the correct structures, write snappy headlines, captions and use inverted commas for direct speech.

In Maths we are learning about:

First half term: We are learning about place value and ordering numbers. We will also be re-capping pictorial methods for addition and subtraction. We will also be learning how to solve word problems with these operations.

Second half term: We will be learning the written methods for addition, subtraction and multiplication. We will also be learning how to solve word problems and different ways to multiply. The times tables we will be covering this term are 3s, 4s, 6s and 8s.

History: We will be exploring changes from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, including shelters, food, weapons and tools.

ICT: We will be programmers and create an animation.

French: We will be recognising and reciting colours and numbers to 10.

**In the first half term our topic is:
The Savage Stone Age**

We will be visiting Thorndon Park for a "Caveman Day" on 24.09.21 where we will build shelters and learn about hunting and fire lighting.

RE: We will be exploring what different religions believe about God.

Geography: We will be investigating historical landmarks in the UK.

DT: We will be learning the importance of food safety by preparing, handling and cooking a fruit stew.

PE: We will be developing our ball skills in invasion games and in Gymnastics we will be exploring symmetry by stretching and curling.

PSHE: We will be thinking about why we need rules and being a good citizen.

ICT: We will be bug fixers, exploring, correcting and improving programs.

Science: We will be learning about magnets and forces. We will investigate magnetic/non-magnetic materials and contact/non-contact forces.

French: We will be learning introductions, greetings and conversations to say to a partner.

DT: We will be designing and making a magnetic game with a partner. We will edit and improve our design through making prototypes.

**In the second half term our topic is:
May the Force be with You!**

RE: We will be continuing to explore what different religions believe about God.

Art: We will be using a cross stitch pattern to create a Christmas Card.

PE: We will be learning about net, court and wall games through playing tennis. We will be looking at explorers through the medium of dance.

PSHE: We will be looking at supporting our local community.

General Information:

Please ensure your child's uniform and PE kit are **clearly named**. On your child's PE day, please ensure that earrings are removed for health and safety reasons or the children have tape in school and know how to put it on themselves.

PE days are Monday and Tuesday. Please come into school wearing your PE kit on Monday and ensure you have a bag of kit to change into on Tuesday.

Homework:

- Reading - This needs to be done daily and recorded in the reading diaries.
- Times tables - These should be practiced on Times Tables Rockstars on a regular basis as there will be random tests throughout the term.
- Maths - A weekly task will be set on Mathletics. Work will be set on a Monday and is to be handed in the following Monday.
- Reading Eggs - This homework will be set on Monday and is to be handed in the following Monday.
- Spellings will be set on a Friday on Spelling Shed to be tested on the following Friday. The spelling words will be based on the Year 3 spelling expectations and the phonics taught throughout the week.

We are encouraging the children to become more independent by following the 5Rs of readiness, resilience, resourcefulness, responsibility and reflectiveness, so please remind your child that it is their responsibility to do their homework and hand in their homework and reading diaries on time.

There is a homework club on a Wednesday should your child not do their homework or you wish them to do it in school.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this booklet or have any other concerns about your child, do not hesitate to come and see us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely

Miss S Hammerton, Miss D Tanner & Miss A Szczygiel

Parent Information



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