

Year 3 Spring Term

WELCOME BACK TO YEAR 3!

We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and feel rested as we begin the New Year. We have a very exciting term ahead of us and have lots of opportunities for your children.

3LH – Miss Hepworth, Mrs Fabre and Mrs Stamp

3OW – Mr Wallbank and Mrs Blake

PPA cover (Tuesday pm) Mr Horton and Mrs Avery.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be looking at:

- **Multiplication and Division** (Use of key multiplication facts and times tables, use of x and ÷, long multiplication and division, word problems).
The key times tables we will be working on are 3 x, 4 x and 8 x but an overall understanding would be beneficial.
- **Money**
- **Statistics**

Homework

We ask that you continue to read regularly with your child. Any completed reading or homework can be recorded in their homework diary which should be brought into school each day.

Green homework books will be sent home on a Tuesday and should be returned on the following Monday.

Year 3 will be invited to visit the library each Wednesday afternoon.

Our topic for this term is: **Hunters and the Hunted.**

English

Reading

Children will read individually and in our group guided reading sessions. Although we will hear your child read regularly, it is also important that you to read with them as often as possible. Even if this is just five minutes a day, it will make all the difference to their development. Children love to read to you as well as hearing stories read to them – this can be a shared activity! This can then be recorded in your child's homework diary.

Writing

We will be continuing to practice cursive letter formation, and handwriting will take place regularly.

Our English lessons will incorporate aspects of grammar and punctuation into all areas of written work. This will support your child with their writing and understanding of language.

This term, we will be studying the text 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King to accompany our 'Hunters and the Hunted' theme.

Outdoor Games is on a Monday afternoon and indoor PE is on a Thursday afternoon. **However please ensure your children's PE kit is in school every day.**

In colder weather, children are encouraged to wear tracksuit bottoms and a jumper for outdoor games to keep them warm.

Routines

If your child is going home with someone other than the known adult, please write a short note to confirm this with the teacher. Message boards are under the shelter at the front of school.

At this colder time of year, please could you also make sure that your child comes in each day with a named coat. We would also welcome any donations of tissues!

The children are allowed bottles of water and a fruit/vegetable snack for morning break, which you can provide. Please ensure any water bottles or fruit containers are clearly **named**.

Science – Rocks and Fossils.

History – Stone Age to Iron Age.

Geography- Types of Settlement.

Music – Exploring sounds, beat and pitch.

R.E. – Special people in our lives and community. Stories from the Bible.

Art and DT – Charcoal, pastels and painting skills. Clay skills.

Computing – Databases and Emails.

Many thanks for your support,
Miss L Hepworth and Mr O Wallbank

Year 3 team.