

Be the BEST You Can Be

Class 3 Newsletter

Whatever you do, do with all your heart. Collossians 3:23

Wow, what an amazing second term the children have had. It has been full of many different learning opportunities. The children have really enjoyed our Volcanoes topic and have tried so hard in every aspect of their learning.

It is important your children are happy and comfortable in school so if you have any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to arrange a time to talk or send me a message on class dojo.

I look forward to what term 3 will bring for us as Class 3.

Miss Norris

What we are learning

Our topic this term is **book term**. Alongside this in Geography we will be focusing on our mapping skills, by understanding sketch maps and working towards completing our own sketch map of Ammerdown.

In English, we will be learning all about portal stories and being inspired to write our own from the story 'Elf Road.' We will also be focusing on the story, The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe. We will be writing setting and character descriptions inspired by this story.

In Maths we will be following White Rose and will continue to develop our understanding in multiplication and division. Later developing our understanding of length and perimeter.

In Science we will be focusing on light. We will be learning about the need for light, how it is reflected from surfaces and recognise how shadows occur.

In RE we will be answering the question 'What does it mean to belong to Islam?' We will spend time identifying the key beliefs of Islam and understand the celebrations of this religion.

In French we will be developing our understanding of instruments. We will be able to recognise up to 10 instruments and be able to say 'I play'.

In Art we will be learning about the famous artist Pablo Picasso. We will be learning about who this artist is, what was his work like and learn how to paint in the style of Picasso.

In PE we will be doing Tag Rugby, we will be focusing on team building, perseverance and dodging and passing.

Reading and Times Tables

In Year 3 there is an expectation that children are **reading 5 times a week**. In order to keep track of this, reading records will be looked at in school every week. Therefore, please ensure that reading records are signed and brought into school on a daily basis. This is important as we have a reading reward system where children are recognised for their efforts in reading at home and we would love for every child in the class to be able to reap the rewards.

Listening to children read is generally carried out through Guided Reading sessions. However, we will endeavour to make sure that children are listened to individually as often as possible and as appropriate to each child's needs.

Children are expected to practise their times tables each week by using times tables rockstars. This is to support and enable them to succeed in their maths learning.

Useful Information

PE: The day of PE will be a Tuesday children will need to wear their PE kit into school on these days to save changing. The PE kit should include a school burgundy t-shirt, black shorts/leggings, and daps for outdoor activities.

Homework: Children will have homework every week which can be found in their homework books. Please ensure that your child completes their homework in order to consolidate and support their learning. **Homework is to be handed in on a Friday.** Please can children take pride in their homework books by, writing the date and ensuring the presentation of their homework is neat.

Spellings:

Children will have spellings to learn each week which they will get every Friday to be tested the following Friday.

...and finally

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas and it is full of magic and laughter.

If you have any questions or worries, please don't hesitate to contact me.