

Year 3's Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to all your families, I wish you all the best for the year ahead. I hope you and your families enjoyed the lovely holiday period and some quality family time together.



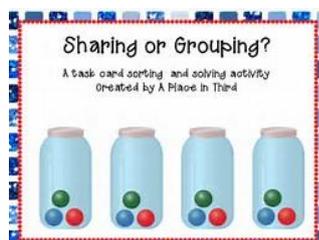
In English this half-term, the class will continue to focus on the topic of the Ancient Greeks – Children will write scripts based on myths read in class. They will use Green Screen technology to record play scripts written in groups. This will be followed by the class then writing their own mythical based story.

Spag.com usernames and passwords are stuck inside homework books that have been brought back into school. Children should be accessing SPAG.com as a weekly homework activity. Please try to encourage children to complete this.

Spellings will continue to take place on Friday mornings. Children need their books each Friday.



In Numeracy this half-term the class will focus on multiplication and division. Please encourage children to continue their times tables practice as this is key to various maths fluency. In year 3 children are expected to recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables. Please continue to practice the method of sharing, using counters, beads or any other equipment at home to consolidate the concept of division and grouping. Children will also write and calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division using the tables they know. This includes two-digit numbers times one-digit numbers progressing to formal written methods. Children will then investigate measure including money, statistics, length and perimeter before the end of this half term.



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MULTIPLICATION TABLE										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

<http://school-schedule.blogspot.com>

In Science children will complete learning based around Rocks and Soils. They will learn about different rock types, how they can be grouped and how fossils are formed. Children will discover about the Palaeontologist Mary Anning and her discoveries.



Children will undertake P.E. on a Wednesday and Thursday this half-term. They will complete a unit of football on Wednesday whilst completing a series of lessons based around Cheerleading on Thursday. Please ensure that P.E. kit is in line with our school policy - details of which can be found on the website. **Indoor and outdoor kit will be needed this half term.**

Spanish will be taught on Tuesdays with children continuing to build upon their vocabulary and simple conversational language. Also children will consolidate safe internet use while completing a unit of work called “We are presenters.”

On Wednesday, music lessons will take place completing a unit based on glockenspiel playing. The topic “Jesus the man who changed lives” will form the basis for Religious Studies this half term.



Homework will be sent home on Friday and should be returned the following Wednesday to be marked. The content is designed to allow the children time to practise and rehearse the various skills used in class.



It is important that children have a drink in school so we can encourage them to drink water through the day. We would appreciate it if you could send in a plastic bottle with their name on as soon as possible. Children should take them home daily, to ensure they remain clean and fresh.



Please ensure children have a jumper in school and a suitable coat for the colder conditions given the recent wintery weather. As always please be in touch for any further assistance or if you have any questions.

Kind regards,
Mr Casey