

Year 3's Newsletter

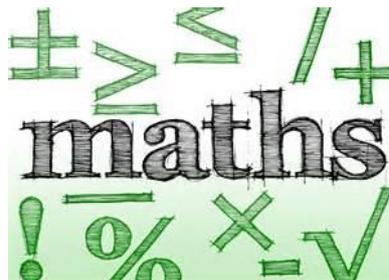


Dear Parents,

I hope you and your families had a great Easter holiday and I hope you are well.



In English this half-term, children will begin by completing a focus upon the rainforest reading “The Great Kapok Tree” by Lynne Cherry, deforestation and the books eco-friendly ideas will be discussed. We will also read the opening to the story “The Explorer” by Katherine Rundell, we will use this to write a setting description based in the rainforest with a twist. The children will also complete regular reading comprehensions based on a wide variety of subjects.



In Maths this half-term we will focus on the use of fractions. Placing fractions on number lines, finding fractions of amounts, finding equivalent fractions and adding and subtractions. We will also investigate time including 24hr clock times. Children will continue to rehearse times tables weekly and can I also request that children are encouraged to complete all their activities on the website Mathletics on a weekly basis or as soon as possible.



In Science children will complete learning based on plants. They will describe the functions of plant parts, learn about how the rainforest plants have adapted to their environment, complete investigations based on what is needed to grow and begin to understand the process of photosynthesis.

Children in P.E. this half-term will begin swimming. Please ensure earrings are removed on Fridays and children have appropriate clothing for travelling to and from the pool in Uppermill in any difficult weather conditions. PE will also take place on Tuesday with athletics forming the basis of lessons.

Children will complete History lessons on the Ancient Maya, identifying the locations of historical sites, their way of life, languages used and the story and related game of the Hero Twins.

Religious Education will be based around the theme “Rules we should Follow”.

PSHCE lessons will focus upon a unit based upon “Managing and Expressing our Emotions”. Music lessons will be focused upon the theme “Bringing Us Together.” We will link PSHCE and Spanish lessons by basing lessons on asking about feelings and then discussing likes and dislikes.



Please look out for the new sheet placed into homework books at the beginning of the half term.



It is important that children have a drink in school and we encourage them to drink water throughout the day. Children should take them home daily, when possible, to ensure they remain clean and fresh.



As always please be in touch if you have any questions or concerns. If I am unable to chat to you at the time, we can arrange a mutually convenient time to meet.

Kind regards,
Mr Casey