



Monday 8th April 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Year 3 children,

I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and are refueled and recharged ready for the Summer Term. I am very excited to be getting stuck into our learning this term. We will be looking at World War Two and the effect that it had on our local area. We will also be having a go at some sewing.

PE

Our PE lessons will happen on a Wednesday this half-term. Year 3 will be learning the offensive and defensive principles of hockey in PE lessons. Our lessons will predominantly be outside so please ensure children come to school in clothing appropriate for the weather.

Class Blog

The Year 3 Class Blog will be updated weekly. You will be able to see photos of what your child has been up to throughout the week. There will also be reminders for any upcoming events or activities. Within the class page there are resource tabs where a range of documents will be added for you to use at your leisure to support your child at home.

Spellings

The children have been so enthusiastic when engaging with their graffiti spellings this year. Please continue to encourage this and ensure that the books come in each day so that the children can use them both in school and at home.

Times Table Rockstars

Year 3 have been working hard to learn their 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9 times tables so far this year. Accessing Times Table Rockstars is so beneficial to all children. Children have some time in school to access their accounts but regular engagement at home is an excellent way to improve their skills. We will be consolidating our existing times tables this half-term and are also moving on to learn facts from the 7 times tables. If you have any difficulties accessing TTRS, please let me know.

Home Reading

Engagement with Boom Reader has improved in recent weeks and the children have enjoyed sharing their reading with us. Please make sure to continue logging reading as often as you are able. The expectation is that children are reading 4-5 times a week at home. This is one of the best ways to improve their reading fluency and expression. Just reading 2-3 pages or for 5-10 minutes each night is more than adequate and enough to help your child make brilliant progress. If you need any support with home reading, please do let me know.

Home Learning

A home learning menu for this half-term will be uploaded to your child's Seesaw account shortly. This will contain a variety of activities that will align with our current topics. Please upload photos of these activities to Seesaw so that we can share them with the class.

Coats and water bottles

We enjoy getting outside in all weathers to get some fresh air and have a run around. Please could you make sure that your child brings a named coat (preferably waterproof) to school every day so that we can continue to enjoy playtimes whatever the weather. As the weather improves, it may be necessary for your child to bring sun cream to school, too. Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to school so that they can keep hydrated.

I will continue to be in contact with you all throughout the half term but if there is anything I can help you with, please send me an email or catch me at pick-up. If you would ever like a more formal conversation, please let me know and we can arrange an appropriate time.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mr Bull
Year 3 Class Teacher