

Year 3 Spring Term News 2025



Welcome back! We trust you all had a good holiday and wish you a very Happy New Year!

Ancient Egyptian Day

This term the children will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians. At the end of the topic, we have an Ancient Egyptian day where the children are asked to come in wearing Egyptian costumes and partake in a day of fun Egyptian activities. A parent mail with more detail will be sent out closer to the time.

Reading Comprehension

Many of our Year 3 readers have mastered the art of 'decoding words' by practising their phonic skills and learning to read and spell sight vocabulary. In class we continue to develop their reading comprehension skills. Consequently, every morning from 9:00 -9:30AM we will continue to teach the children how to retrieve information in order to answer specific questions, as well as questions with an inferred meaning, (making a well-informed guess). In order to support your child further, please take time to question your child's understanding of the text when they read to you. <u>Please ensure your child is in school for 8:50AM prompt.</u> Reading for meaning enables children to be good communicators and this skill needs to be practised regularly.

Times Tables Challenge

Children knowing their times tables is an essential life skill. Once achieved it enables children to recall multiplication and division facts quickly and accurately. This frees their mind to tackle more complex mathematical operations and concepts.

Over the course of this term, we will be asking the children to continue learning their times tables thoroughly. The children will still be tested in class at speed and in random order. **Please support your child with learning the times table they have been given**.

<u>Homework</u>

The children are set homework on Mathletics every **Wednesday**. This homework should be completed by the following **Wednesday**. We will continue to monitor each child's homework. **Please try to set time aside** for them to complete their Mathletics. If you have any problems accessing the websites, please let the class teacher know.

<u>Diary Dates:</u> OPEN AFTERNOON Wednesday 19th March 2025 (2:45-3:15 PM)

WORLD BOOK DAY Thursday 6th March 2025 (Details to follow)

ANCIENT EGYPTIAN DAY Wednesday 2nd April 2025 (Details to follow)



Here are our curriculum areas for this Spring Term:

<u>Spanish:</u> Animals and Vegetables <u>Geography:</u> Volcanoes and Earthquakes <u>Science:</u> Animals including humans – Skeleton Muscles and Movement

Animals including humans - Healthy Living

<u>Computing</u>: Computer Science - Scratch Jnr and Digital Literacy & Info. Tech. Multimedia & Communication

History: Ancient Egyptians

Art & Design: Investigating Patterns

Design & Technology: Eating Seasonally

Religious Education: Buddhism, The story of Holy Week & Concept of Salvation

<u>Music</u>: singing, listening, improvisation, performance and notation.

P.E. Fitness and Gym

Children will require their P.E. kits on the following days:

Netball:

Thursday: 3H and 3W Friday: 3GP

This will be taught <u>outside</u>. Please make sure that your child has trainers and a tracksuit. No earrings please. If your child is wearing earrings, please provide them with tape to cover their earrings for their lesson.

Dance:

Monday: 3GP and 3H Wednesday: 3W

This will be taught in the hall. Please make sure that your child comes to school in the correct PE Kit. If they have trainers with laces, please make sure they can do up their own laces. Finally, please check their trainers and PE kits fit.

<u>Seesaw</u>

We will continue to share photos of our class for you to see. However, it isn't always possible to include every child each time that we upload photos.

Nevertheless, we will try our best to include all children at some point during the year.

If you need to contact your class teacher, please can your query be sent via the school office and the office staff will forward to the class teacher.

Seesaw is a platform to share or celebrate work.

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