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How can you help your child?

- Your child will bring an AR book home every night.
- Please listen to your child read their reading book on a regular basis. Also, talk to your son or daughter about what they have read. This will help with their progress in reading and comprehension.
- Maths is everywhere! Encourage your son or daughter to calculate change when going shopping, measure out ingredients when cooking or work out how much time they have left before bedtime.
- Encourage your child to use EdShed at home to support their spellings and fluency skills. Assignments will be set weekly that link to the learning in school.
- Please encourage your child to practise 3, 4 and 8 times table at home, as they are learning these in school.
- Continue to support your child to practise their year 3 high frequency words both reading and spelling them.

Members of staff

Mrs Slater (Class teacher)

Mr Griffith (Class teacher)

Miss Amair

Mr Escibano

Year 3 Spring Learning

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term, we hope you had a lovely February Half Term.

We have been so impressed with the progress children have made since Christmas and we are keen to continue to embed the new skills they have been taught. Your support at home is crucial as they begin to access more of the Key Stage 2 curriculum.

We will continue to keep you updated about how your child is doing in school and with important information through messages on Marvellous Me. Please ensure that you can access this and speak to the school office if you are unable to.

Do not forget this half term we have the exciting addition of swimming on our timetable for this half term. This will be a Tuesday afternoon for 3LS and a Wednesday morning for 3PG. Please make sure all kit is ready and correct for these days as specified on the letter you received before the half term holidays.

If you wish to know more about what your child is learning or how you can support them, please speak to a member of staff from your child's class.

English

Leonora Bolt – Secret Inventor

This half term children will enjoy reading Leonora Bolt the Secret Inventor. The book is about Leonora Bolt who spends her days creating incredible inventions in her TOP SECRET laboratory, under the watchful eye of her terrifying uncle.

For our writing we will focus on writing a character description, a biography and a persuasive advert. To support at home encourage your children to verbally describe the characters from their AR books, to continue to practise the Year 3 common exception words and writing in full sentences with correct punctuation.



Science

How Does Your Garden Grow

During our science topic children will learn the following:

- learn the main parts of a flowering plant
- investigate the job of each part of a flowering plant
- learn about water transportation in plants
- learn about what plants need to grow

Geography

Our World

During the first half term children will learn all about the Our World.

During this topic they will explore and improve their locational knowledge through identifying the position and significance of latitude, longitude, the Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere and gain a stringer understanding of time zones. We will practise geographical skills through using maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate features studied. We will begin to use the eight points of the compass to build their knowledge of the wider world.



Design and Technology

British Inventors

During this topic children will investigate the inventions of technology that still impacts our life today. The telephone, the World Wide Web, Reinforces concrete. By the end of the topic children will be able to invent their own new technology that could change the world.

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to develop our maths skills through our SMART Maths approach, with a focus on reasoning skills.

We will continue to gain confidence with using vertical maths, grids for multiplication and how to find fractions of an amount.

Throughout the week, we will also be giving children opportunities to develop their reasoning skills, applying the new skills they have learnt.

Each week new assignments will be available on Maths Shed, this will help improve the mental maths skills.

Don't Forget...

Year 3 will need to come to school every Monday wearing their PE Kit. All jewellery must be removed including earrings. Children can wear trainers with their PE kit. In addition to this children will need their swimming kits on a Tuesday for 3LS and a Wednesday for 3PG.

The children need to read their reading books every night. Please fill in their reading record with a comment and the pages they have read and these need to be in school every day so we can also listen to children read and for AR quizzes to be completed.