

Year 3 Learning - Autumn 2 2023

English:

We are reading...



We will be completing some extended pieces of non-fiction writing based on these texts. We will be writing in paragraphs and using tools such as headings, sub-headings, captions and adverbials for time to structure our writing.

Our spelling tests take place every Tuesday based on the spellings that were sent home.

Maths:

We are learning how to use the column method to add and subtract 3-digit numbers. We will then be looking further at multiplication and division. Especially multiplying and dividing by 2, 4 and 8. Education City and BBC bitesize have a variety of activities to support your children with their maths at home. The children will be completing a times table test every Thursday afternoon. Practising their times table facts at home on TT Rockstars or 'hit the button' will support them in this.



History

We are learning all about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age, focusing on how life changed in early Britain. There are many educational clips online and BBC bitesize provides lots of information which will support children in retaining their learning. There are also prehistoric artefacts in local museums such as the Potteries Museum. They have already enjoyed taking part in a Stone Age Day with a an 'experimental archaeologist'. This involved learning how to hunt, exploring artefacts with an archaeological dig, cave painting and archery! Please ask the children about what they learnt from this day.

Geography

The children will be learning about the UK. This will involve identifying the difference between the UK, Great Britain and the British Isles. They should also be able to name counties and cities in England and notice similarities and differences between places in the UK.



Science

Our topic is 'Animals including Humans.' We will learn about why a balanced diet is important, the names of important bones and muscle, how they work and why they are needed. BBC bitesize has lots of resources to support children with this. They could also spend time reading some non-fiction texts about the body.



PE

PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday. Our topics this half term are Ball Games (first 3 weeks) and Gymnastics (last 3 weeks). Children will need black shorts or jogging bottoms and either a white t-shirt or their team colour. Please ensure any earrings are removed and long hair is tied up.

Music

We will be having violin lessons with Mr Partridge every Monday afternoon. Some children will continue their keyboard lessons with Mr Watts which will take place every Wednesday.

Curriculum

French: Classroom objects and colours

Computing: Animation

PSHE: How to be healthy

RE: Practices in the home

Art: Henry Moore

DT: Landmarks

Key dates:

Return to school: Tuesday 7th November

Laches Wood trip: Tuesday 21st November

Christmas Fayre: Wednesday 6th December (3pm - 5pm)

Christmas play : Wednesday 13th December (am)

Christmas party: Friday 22nd December

Break up: Friday 22nd December

Homework

Please make sure your child is reading at home on a daily basis. We expect at least 3 reads a week in their reading record. Spellings and times tables should also be practised on a regular basis.

Project: Early Britain settlement - Due: Monday 18th December 2023

Children should create a model of a settlement either from the Stone Age, Bronze Age or Iron Age. This should be no larger than the size of a cereal box. A separate letter will be sent to provide more details.