

Class 3 Newsletter



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Curriculum Overview:

This newsletter gives you an outline of what your child is doing at school throughout the Autumn Term and how you can help them.

Our topic for this term is Tribal Tales. It is about life in Britain from the Stone Age to Iron Age.

We will be finding out about how life changed between the Stone Age and the Iron Age. The children will be finding out about Ancient monuments, homes and art works. They will have the opportunity to handle modelling materials and to try their hand at cave painting.

English:

This half term the children's learning in English will be through three key genres: stories with historical settings, diaries and information texts. The children will continue to develop their understanding of spelling and how the meaning of words can be changed through the use of pre-fixes and suffixes. In their writing children will be expected to apply their learning about spelling, punctuation and grammar to produce longer pieces of thoughtfully constructed independent writing.

Maths:

This half term the children will focus on place value, and consolidating understanding of shape. The key objectives for place value will be to:

Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.

Find 10 or 100 more or less than a given number.

Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens, and ones).

Compare and order numbers up to 1000.

Read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words.

Solve number problems and practical problems involving these ideas.

Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.

Homework:

The children will receive a topic homework sheet. There will be a selection of projects to choose from.

The children should choose one idea to try out. The homework can be brought in at any time before half term and will be displayed in school.

Maths and English homework will be sent home on alternate weeks. Usually this will link to the curriculum domain.

Reading:

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible. The children in Year 3 are allowed to change their own home reading books as often as they need to. The children will be encouraged to change their books by themselves. All children are expected to have book bags, green reading diaries and reading books with them at school every day.

Times tables:

Over the course of the year the children will be learning times tables. All children in Year 3 will be expected to know the majority of these by the end of the school year. There will be a weekly timetable test each Thursday. Children will need to score 12/12 twice in consecutive tests before moving on to the next one.

Snacks:

Children in KS2 are encouraged to bring a healthy snack to eat at playtime.

Days to remember:

PE will take place on **Thursday** afternoon and on **Friday** afternoon with a specialist coach.

The children will need to have their PE kit in school on those days so that they can take part in PE. All kit should be named clearly. Please also ensure that the children have appropriate PE kit, including footwear, for both indoor and outdoor PE.

Thank you for your support. Please feel free to come in to see us at the beginning or end of the school day if you have any questions or queries we are always here to help!

Year 3 team