



Curriculum Letter for Year 3 Autumn Term 2020



General Information

Welcome to Year 3! The children have settled in well and are becoming familiar with the new routines, expectations and arrangements in school. They are also beginning to enjoy being in the juniors! Thank you to everyone for adapting so well to the new arrangements and systems in place. After half term, we are hoping to start weekly recorder lessons for all children in Year 3. Mrs Statham and Miss Jones will be leading these lessons and a letter will be emailed to parents about how to buy a recorder.

Curriculum

Maths- This term we will begin with place value and then be consolidating methods for all four operations (multiplication, division, addition and subtraction). This will be applied in a range of contexts, including word problems and investigations.

English- This will include writing character descriptions and settings. The children will also be taught how to begin editing their writing. We will be using a number of texts to support this including those written by Roald Dahl. Our class read is 'Stone Age Boy' linked to our history topic.

History – This half term we will be learning about *The Stone Age*. This will include studying timelines, looking at artefacts and exploring how life changed for people during this period. We will be moving into the Bronze Age and Iron Age later in the year, so chronology is very important!

Geography – Next half term, we will be studying different climates and weather around the world. This will include locating world climate zones on a map, giving examples of biomes and identifying the world's hottest, coldest, wettest and driest locations.

French- The children will be learning some basic vocabulary and simple phrases.

PE days

The half term we are supplementing our PE activities with extra time on our fantastic new climbing equipment in the KS1 playground.

Outdoor PE with Coach Romaine – Tuesdays. Please come to school in your PE kit on Tuesdays.

Reading and Spellings

In Year 3, our priority is always reading for pleasure. Please encourage your child to read regularly and comment in the reading records on Teams each week. Books will be changed by the following Friday if required. The children will also participate in whole class reading, guided reading sessions and some free choice reading sessions.

Spellings- consolidation of KS1 spellings and the Year 3/4 spelling list.

Homework

Homework is set on Fridays to be completed by Wednesday. It will consist of Maths or English/topic. *MyMaths* and/or *PurpleMash* activities will also be set on certain weeks. Your child will need a log in for these. Homework will be set on Teams on Friday and will close on Wednesday.

Key Dates

Half term – 26th- 30th October

Flu immunization – 14th October