







CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER


Welcome back!

We hope you have had a half term break. We can't quite believe we are now in the final half term of year 3! As always, we have lots of exciting learning lined up for the second half of the summer term that we would like to share with you. Please don't forget we post weekly website updates on the year group pages on the Federation website so you can see what the children have been getting up to during their time in year 3!

YEAR 3

English	Reading	Maths
<p>In English, we are going to be exploring our new class book 'Wild Robot' and completing a narrative unit to explore the setting, storyline and themes behind the story. We will also delve into the pros and cons of robots in our world. After this book, we will then move on to explore the topic of 'Bees' and learning the art of persuasion. The children will be working towards writing a persuasive letter to help keep bees alive!</p>	<p>In reading we will continue to work through our fluency books which will become available as and when we move on to a new book on the Collins Hub for you to read at home. In lessons, we work through decoding and blending words, unpicking key vocabulary and then exploring the chapters together through comprehension based lessons. Each class in year 3 works on different reading levels so we have a wide range of books being read!</p>	<p>In maths this half term, we will be continuing to work through our unit of 'Time'. The children are getting to grips with telling the time and will then begin to work on time durations and intervals. After this, we will be exploring a range of 2D and 3D shapes before finalising the year with the unit 'Statistics'. We will be learning about a range of tables, graphs and presenting data in various ways.</p>
Science	History	Geography
<p>Our science topic is 'Light and Shadows' where the children investigate the phenomena of reflections and shadows, looking for patterns in collected data. We will also explore the risks associated with the Sun and what we can do to keep ourselves safe. Hopefully the weather will be on our side so that we can go outside and explore our shadows in detail!</p>	<p>In history our topic of 'Emperors and Empires' continues. So far we have learnt about how Rome was ruled and who the key Emperors of Rome were. For the second summer term, we will be going to the Roman Palace so that the children can understand what life as a Roman was really like. Make sure to check the website for pictures after our trip!</p>	<p>In geography, we will continue with our unit 'one planet, our world' to complete the final part of the unit. We will explore UK counties, cities and the land use within the UK. We have already touched on our carbon footprint and the impact this has on the world. In the second half of summer, we will revisit this and explore it in further detail.</p>

Music	Art	DT
		
In music we will be making use of our key English topic 'Wild Robot' and bringing this to life during our music lessons. We will be composing robotic sound tracks using Music Lab. During this unit, we will further develop our rhythmic notation and begin improvising using tuned percussion for a variety of genres.	This half term we will complete the unit 'Mosaic Masters'. This project is linked to Emperors and Empires and teaches children about the history of mosaics, before focusing on the colours, patterns and themes found in Roman mosaics. The children learn techniques to help them design and make a mosaic border tile.	This summer 2 term we will finalise our Greenhouse unit and then our focus shifts to the Art unit.
Computing	R.E	PSHE
		
Our unit for this half term is 'Data Handling'. The children will learn about what is meant by field, record and data. We will compare paper and computerised databases before learning to input data into a spreadsheet and creating graphs,	In R.E this half term we will be learning about 'Belonging'. The children will learn to recognise how belonging can be applied to their own and each other's lives. They will explore how belonging is important to Muslims and express creative responses to the concept.	This half term, the children will be taking part in our Jigsaw unit 'Changing Me'. We will be learning about body parts and how their bodies change as they grow up. The children will learn about puberty and how this will change them as they grow into an adult.

<p>Every week, the children have two sessions with our sports coaches, Coach Jordan, Coach James and Coach Grace.</p> <p>During the autumn and summer term, one of these sessions is held in our outdoor learning area and the children taught important skills such as teamwork, resilience and strategic thinking.</p> <p>This half term in P.E the children will be focusing on practicing and refining their athletics skills with a mixture of throwing, running and jumping events. We will also be preparing them for sports day by giving them plenty of chances to practice each event as well as making sure they have all the important tips and tricks to give them the best chance of winning!</p> <p>Our sports day events are: Relay, long jump. Javelin, football dribble, tunnel ball, bean bag relay, quoit balance, egg and spoon race, lawn bowls.</p>	<p>are</p>  <p>P.E kit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ White t-shirt ✓ Black or navy jogging bottoms (winter) ✓ Black or navy shorts (summer) ✓ Plain dark coloured hoodie or sweatshirt ✓ Plimsolls (for indoor P.E) ✓ Trainers ✓ Hair tied back ✓ Earrings out ✓ Waterproof trousers (for outdoor learning) ✓ Wellies
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Coming up...



Tuesday 10th June:

Year 3 trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace in Chichester

The children will be off to Fishbourne Roman Palace as part of their history unit for the term.

Arbor:

Please check Arbor messages and emails for these events and others that arise throughout the half term.

Home Learning



Maths homework:

Maths homework is up on Atom Learning every Monday and due in on Friday. The videos and slideshows are there to support the children if they are stuck, however, we only set work that we have already taught in lessons.

English homework:

English homework is up on Atom Learning every Wednesday and due in on Tuesday. The videos and slideshows are there to support the children if they are stuck, however, we only set work that we have already taught in lessons.

Reading diaries:

The children are expected to read at least 3 times per week and encouraged to read 5 times. Reading diaries are due on Mondays and the reading hut is then available on particular days for children to read then if they haven't completed their diaries or choose to have extra reading time.

Contact us



If there is anything you wish to discuss with us regarding the information on this newsletter; or if you have any further queries or concerns regarding your child's experience at school, please do not hesitate to get in touch:

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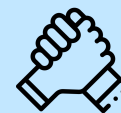
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How can you help?



In order to help support your child at home, please consider the following:

Reading with your child:

Reading with your child at home is so important and helps support the work we are doing with them in school. Reading diaries are expected to be handed in every Monday to show their reading progress.

TT Rockstars:

Practice on TT Rockstars helps the children to learn and practice their times tables as well as improve their speed. Supporting the children to get on TT Rockstars and practice as much as possible is extremely beneficial for their progression in maths.

Homework:

Homework is set each week so please ensure your children are completing this. It shows them the teaching through videos and diagrams so the children can learn and practice the skills we have already covered in class.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Team 3