

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are proud of how well the children in Year 3 have settled back and how hard they have been working. For the first four weeks of this term, our work has been based on the text *Here We Are* which has enabled the children to explore the wonders of our planet.

This newsletter is an overview of the learning your child will be completing during the Autumn Term.

If you require any further information about your child's learning, please speak to any member of the Year 3 team.

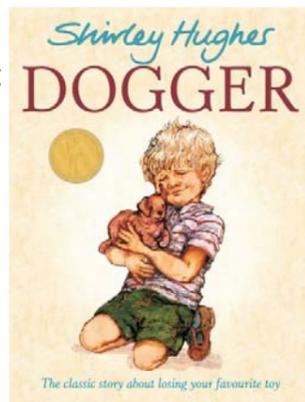
Yours sincerely,

Miss Nicholson and Mr Ross

Year 3 Staff

Literacy

Our learning this term will be based around two texts. 'Dogger', by Shirley Hughes, focuses on a young boy's soft toy which goes missing. 'Hansel and Gretel', by Tony Ross, tells about two children who become lost when exploring a forest. The children will familiarise themselves with each story before writing a recount of the key events. When reading, the children will develop their inference skills and focus on the effect of an author's vocabulary choices.



Mathematics

During the term, the children will:

- Count from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.
- Add and subtract numbers mentally.
- Use a written method to add and subtract numbers with up to three digits.
- Recall and use multiplication and division facts.
- Solve problems involving multiplication and division.
- Draw 2D shapes and construct 3D shapes.
- Recognise that angles are a property of shape or a description of a turn.
- Identify where angles are greater or less than a right angle.



Science

Our first unit of Science learning is about light. The children will:

- Notice that light is reflected from surfaces.
- Recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect their eyes.

During their Science learning about rocks, the children will:

- Compare and group rocks based on their appearance and simple physical properties.
- Describe how fossils are formed.
- Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.



Foundation Subjects

Our learning this term focuses on the environment and planet Earth. The children will:

- Explore the geographical features of the Earth, including the distribution of natural resources.
- Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude and the equator.
- Locate earthquakes and volcanoes around the world and learn how they are formed.
- Learn about the different layers which make up the Earth.



Personal, Social, Religious and Emotional Development



In Religious Education, the children will explore what it is like to be a Christian in Britain today including how they worship at home, in church and in the wider community.

Throughout Year 3, the children will follow the 'Dot Com' programme. They will learn about how to identify their feelings and explore how people might demonstrate their feelings.

PE

During PE lessons, the children will be learning the skills and techniques needed to play a range of invasion games, knowing and using rules fairly to keep games going. They will learn to throw and catch with control to keep possession and score goals, developing an awareness of space and team support.



Other Information

Home Learning

Spellings are sent home on Friday to be learnt in preparation for a test the following Friday. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, home learning books will not currently be sent home with the children but this will be reviewed as the term progresses. Children are able to access mathematics, literacy and spelling activities on the Oxford Owl website (home.oxfordowl.co.uk) and they have their own log-in details to access Times Tables Rock Stars.

Home Reading

Families are able to access the reading books which the children read in school for free on the Oxford Owl website. Please also encourage your child to read a variety of materials, such as books, newspapers and magazines at home.

PE

PE lessons take place on Wednesday. Please ensure that your child has their pumps or trainers in school. The children may wear tracksuit bottoms and a jumper for outdoor lessons. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons and long hair tied up.



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