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Year 3 Hazel and Holly Newsletter Summer 2

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely break. We have lots of interesting topics to explore in this half-term and we cannot wait to share these with you as we complete our final term in Year 3. As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via the class emails.

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Literacy

Our text type this half term is persuasive letters and we will be using a short story called 'The Last wolf' written by Mini Grey to support us with this.
We will 'zoom in' on different key features of a persuasive letter in particular, the different ways we can persuade someone including rhetorical questions, emotive language, facts and ensuring that we write in a formal manner. All this work with allow us to write our own persuasive letter around littering and the environment.
Our other text focus will be based around writing a reimagining of a classic fairy tale. To help with this, we will be using 'The Tindims of Rubbish Island' which is also our guided reading book this half term. Reading and researching fairy tales at home would be a great way to get a head start with this.
Each week children will be taught new spellings to practice and to complete a reading comprehension.
Please encourage your child to read their Accelerated Reader book for at least 20 minutes a day. We ask that you sign the reading record at the end of each week to confirm that your child has read for 20 minutes each night.

Key vocabulary:

Fact, opinion, Rhetorical Question, persuasive, fairy tale, 2nd person, formal language, conjunctions, noun phrases.

Mathematics

Children will be working on groups of objectives linked to the following strands of Maths throughout the rest of this year:

- Time
- Measurement
- Geometry (Shape and Space)

Year 3 will be learning about the different types of angles and their properties before moving on to drawing lines accurately and the different types of lines. We will then be exploring measurement in which we will be looking at mass and capacity. We will finish the half term by investigating time.
As we are having a big focus on multiplication and division facts, please support your child with their learning by having them use Mathletics online on a weekly basis. If your child does not have access to the internet at home, please let us know and we can provide paper copies of Mathletics homework. By the end of Year 3, children are aiming to know the multiplication and division facts for the 2-, 5-, 10-, 3-, 4- and 8-times-tables.

Key Vocabulary
Acute, right angle, obtuse, parallel, perpendicular, mass, capacity, horizontal, vertical, seconds, minutes, hours, product, multiplication, division, sharing

Science

In science, children will be exploring and investigating Nappies!

We are going to be tying this unit in with our English books, which have a strong theme around recycling. This topic provides opportunities for children to ask their own questions and make decisions on how to answer their questions using different scientific enquiry activities.

Key Vocabulary:

Absorbance, property, feature, material, reusable, disposable, characteristic,

PE – Our sport is rounders. We will be using rounders as a base line to practice our throwing, catching, striking and fielding skills.
PSHE- We will be looking at both physical and mental health and wellbeing.
RE – We are going to be learning about the different creation for each of the major world religions and how they compare with each other.
Geography – Children will learn about the coast of the British Isles. The approach used is to provide a large number and wide range of visual images – we know the idiom that 'a picture is worth a thousand words' – as primary geography is such a visual subject.
Computing - We are opinion pollsters – collecting and analysing data.
Art and DT – We are going to be researching, designing, and making some sustainable art.

The Bulletin Board

Things to remember:

Every day: Reading Book
Reading Record
Planner

Weekly Homework:
Daily reading (20mins)
T.E.D
Reading comprehension
Spellings
Mathletics

For those of your working from home:
You can access the work via the link below
https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/group-chat-software

WC Monday 21st June – Year 4 Multiplication Check.

WC Monday 5th July – End of year reports sent home.

Monday 12th July – Whole school transition day

TBC – Class Sports Afternoon

Monday 19th July - Optional Parents' Meetings

Wednesday 21st July – School closes for the summer.

Uniform - Thank you for ensuring your child has the correct school uniform - they look very smart. Thank you also for your support in ensuring that make up, jewellery, fake tan and nail varnish is not worn for school. Small ear studs are permitted. As a reminder, dyed hair and tramline hairstyles are not permitted.

Reading – Year 3 pupils should be reading for at least 20 minutes every day. When reading with your child, encourage them to sound out tricky words using their phonics and discuss any unfamiliar vocabulary. Stop them regularly, to check their understanding, as this will support them with their learning. Some questions you could ask: what are the characters thinking/feeling? How do you know? Children will take a quiz on the reading book they bring to read at home.