

Year 3 Newsletter, Autumn 1

Welcome back from your summer holidays! We hope you all had a lovely summer and are ready to work hard and have fun. We have lots more exciting learning opportunities to explore this half term. As always, if you have a question to ask please ask the team in Year 3, who would be more than happy to help!

LITERACY

This half term, we will be exploring the book 'Eight Princesses and a Magic Mirror.' by Natasha Farrant. We will be discussing stereotypes and how the author attempts to break the image of a 'perfect princess.' For our writing, we will be creating our own brave and bold princess and writing a story about them, which will include an ambitious setting description and dialogue.

Key vocabulary:

Stereotypes **story writing** **punctuation**
expanded noun phrases **joined handwriting**
dialogue **setting.**



Mathematics

In maths, the children will be working on Number and Place Value. We will be recapping and learning the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Our learning will include: place value, adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers and 2-digit numbers, and adding and subtracting 100s. You can help your child succeed and increase their confidence by practicing with them at home.

Key vocabulary:

Add **altogether** **addition** **subtraction**
sum **difference**



SCIENCE

This term in science, we will be learning all about rocks. We will think of different ways we can classify different rocks and attempt this ourselves using sweets!

We will also learn all about geologists and how they help us learn all about rocks. We will even become geologists and create our own tests to find out even more about rocks!

Key vocabulary:

Rocks **classify** **tests** **geologists**
permeable



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.



Other Curriculum Areas

PE - We will be practising our athletic skills, such as running, jumping and throwing.

RE - We will be learning about the religion of Judaism, their celebrations and the people they worship.

Computing - We will be learning about computer systems and networks.

Art - We will be learning about the artist

The Bulletin Board

Hazel and Holly PE is on a Monday.
Please ensure children have their kit every week.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. APs will be given to children who complete homework on a weekly basis.

IMPORTANT DATES

23 September- Jeans for genes

6 October - National Poetry Day

14 October - School closes for half term

What do imaginary lines tell us about the Earth?

This term in Geography, we will be learning about the imaginary lines of the Earth, such as time zones, longitude, latitude and the North and South pole. We will be thinking about what these lines mean and how it affects us in the United Kingdom.

Do you know your address? We will learn about the Earth's surface and how we can find the different places on the Earth, using an address! We will discuss the importance of an address and all the different sections of them.



We will explore the different time zones around the world and what causes the time to be different in different areas. We will compare different time zones to our own.

Why do we have day and night?