



Welcome back Year 3!

Hello and a big welcome to Y3! I am looking forward to working with you all and with your child/ren, this coming academic year. I know these are strange times, but please be reassured, I have put lots of things in place to ensure your child is safe and happy in school. I have also adapted the timetable and curriculum to ensure the children have a gentle start to Y3. I will also spend the first weeks of term, recapping key skills from Y2, and teaching the children key work not covered in school during the Summer term.

Below is an outline of what Y3 will be covering over the next term. Please see the weekly home learning sheet for more detail.

Our Topic this term is: The Roman Empire

 <p>English Catch up from Y2. Letters-we will be looking at the features of different types of letters and we will learn to write informal and formal letters. Play scripts- We will look at the features of a play script and then we will be turning a story into a play script. Recount-we will looking at newspaper reports. We will then write a simple newspaper report linked to the Romans. Poetry-we will finish the term looking at and writing Limericks.</p>	 <p>Maths Catch up from Y2 to include- Number and place value. Looking at; greater than, less than and revising what each number represents, eg how many ways to make a 2 digit number & adding & subtracting mentally. I will play lots of games & will carry out short activities to ensure the children are secure with this before moving onto the next focus. Multiplication and division. The main focus will be a quick recap on the x2, x3,x5 & x10 tables. We will then look at applying those multiplication facts when dividing. Fractions. The focus will be on finding fractions of shapes and then small quantities. We will then move to the Y3 curriculum. We will be looking at- Number and place value & Measures: length.</p>
<p>RE- Christianity-Creation- Fall: What do Christians learn from the story? Christianity & Islam. How do people celebrate festivals and traditions?</p> 	<p>Science- Animals including Humans. This is a long topic so will be spread out over the whole of the Autumn term. During our topic we will be looking at nutrition, skeletons, muscles & applying our understanding to humans & different types of animals.</p> 
 <p>History-The Roman Empire. Although this is a history topic, I will be teaching the children how</p>	<p>French – I’m learning French! This is an introduction to this language.</p>

<p>to use atlases, maps, globes and digital/computer images to describe the features of places linked to our topic.</p>	<p>Romans-this will be linked to our topic.</p>
<p>Art-Quentin Blake's drawing. Using his style of drawing to draw our own characters. D&T- Textiles-Roman purse/bag</p> 	<p>Music- Let Your Spirit Fly!-R&B & Soul Focus music-Camille Saint Saens- Carnival of the animals</p>  <p>Glockenspiel Stage 1 Focus music-Celt & Roman Song No 8</p>
 <p>Computing- Touch Typing Email Graphing Powerpoint</p>	 <p>PE – Hockey & Twigs PE is usually on a Tuesday and on a Friday. However, for the first half term, Y3 will have Twigs on a Monday afternoon (starting 14.9.20). For this, the children will need to come into school wearing clothes suitable for working in the woods. They can bring in a pair of wellington boots, but please can they carry them into school and not bring them in a plastic carrier bag. Thank you. As we will be having Twigs on a Monday, our second PE session will be on a Tuesday. All children need to come into school wearing their PE kits on the days they have P.E. Please can the children wear a track suit top in case the weather changes. Thank you.</p>

Other information-

Homework: There will be no homework for the first few weeks of term. We will let you know when this will start.

Spellings/Phonics: We will be carrying on with the Y2 spelling curriculum for the first few weeks of term. No spellings will be sent home for the first few weeks of term. All spellings will be carried out in class until further notice. However, I will put up a list of spellings on the home learning sheet if you wish to work on them at home.

Reading – At the moment, we will send one reading book home a week. We will keep the second reading book in school so that the children can read to us. Unfortunately, we can't send home a school diary at the moment. If you wish to keep a record of your child's reading, please do but please do not send it into school. At the moment, I am planning to send the reading book home on a Monday and collect the home book on a Friday. We will then quarantine those books for 72 hours.

Water bottles- please send in a labelled water bottle for your child to drink from throughout the day. Please only have water in the bottles, thank you.

Snack- children in Y3 need to bring in their own snack for morning break. Please can the children only have fruit or vegetables for this snack. Thank you.

There is no need to send your child into school with a pencil case. As this is a small class, I have already put together a class pack for each child. Each item has been labelled and they are in a wipe clean folder. However, if you wish your child to use their pencil cases you have already brought, I am happy for it to be sent into school. The pencil case will be kept in their drawer.

Please can we have no bags, toys etc from home. We are trying to limit the amount of items from home in school.

Although we can't meet informally at the classroom door, like we use to do pre-covid, I am available for you. If you wish for a meeting, please email into the office and I will arrange a time for us to meet safely. If you wish for a phone call, again, please email into the office.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Miss Ashton