



Year 3 Newsletter – Summer Term 1st half 2023/24

Dear families,

We hope you are all safe and well. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with information and reminders which we hope you and your child will find useful.

In our year group this term we will have the following adults;

Rowan – Mr Stallwood

Hawthorn – Mrs Johnson

Beech – Miss Hancock

Willow – Miss Williams

Year 3 TA's-

Miss Lewis, Mrs Ludlow, Mrs Foulkes, Mrs Tanaka, Mr Powell and Mrs Hart

Our **PE coach** Mr Raynor.

Year Leader – Mr Stallwood

Lead TA – Miss Lewis

Maths

In maths we will be learning to:

- Identify properties of shapes
- Work out mass of objects
- Work out the capacity of items
- Understanding time and how to tell the time

English

Our class novel this half term is *Beast Quest* by Adam Blade, we will be using this text as a stimulus to:

- Develop our writing by including similes and adjective to write suspense stories.
- Develop our use of regular and irregular verb tenses.
- Write playscripts, non-fiction recount.

Reading

In SQUIRT (Super Quality Uninterrupted Independent Reading Time) we will be focusing on;

- The historical and cultural context
- Prosody and fluency
- Different points of view within the text

Science

Our focus is 'Rocks' and we will be looking at:

- the difference between igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks
- the properties of different rocks
- who Mary Anning was and the impact she had



Primary Knowledge Curriculum

Our Geography topic is 'Northern Europe' we will cover:

- the countries that make up Scandinavia including their flags
- The climate in Northern Europe
- Physical and Human features of Northern Europe

Our focus in Art is 'Mythological paintings' and we will be looking at:

- How paintings link to myths
- Creating shade in our drawings
- how to show characteristics of a character when drawing them

P.E.

Our PE topics this half term are rounders and Real Gymnastics. We will be focusing on co-ordination of throwing and catching.

PE will take place on the following days for each class:

Hawthorn – Tuesday and Wednesday

Rowan – Tuesday and Wednesday

Willow – Tuesday and Wednesday

Beech – Tuesday and Wednesday

PE is taught both indoors and outdoors, so please ensure your child has their correct, **named** PE kit in school with them on these days.

PSHE/RE

We will be learning about different roles and responsibilities of each member of a family, how to be a good friend and appreciate other people. In RE we will be learning about Hinduism we will learn out how there is one God with different aspects.

French

This term we are learning about different ice-cream flavours and how to ask for an ice cream.

Computing

The children will be creating their own podcasts this term. They will look at different recording devices throughout history and how recording devices are used now. They will plan and record their own podcast on a topic or their choosing.

Music

We are going to focus on consolidating all the skills learned so far; from combining our Singing Voice with Thinking Voice to exploring the concepts of rhythm, pulse, pitch, dynamics and tempo.

Library

Each week the children have an opportunity to visit the library. Year 3 will visit the Library on a Monday.



Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle (containing only water) with them every day. It is important for children to stay hydrated as part of their general well-being.

Snacks

The school continues to acknowledge the importance of good nutrition as an aid to learning. Therefore, can we please remind you that any snacks for break should be **healthy** e.g. fruit or vegetables.

Equipment

Could we also take this time to remind you children should have the following equipment in school, these may need replenishing;

- glue stick
- orange and green pencils/pen
- orange and green highlighters
- pencil
- blue pen
- ruler
- red pen/pencil
- whiteboard pens

We look forward to welcoming you all back!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Stallwood, Miss Williams, Miss Hancock and Mrs Johnson
Year 3 Class teachers