



Year 3 News

Autumn 2

November 2024



Welcome back to school.

We hope you all had a good half term and are ready for the busy time in the lead up to Christmas.



Friendships and Relationship

Our focus book this half term is **The Iron Man** written by Ted Hughes. A thought-provoking book about an Iron Giant who makes friends with a child who goes on to save the world.

In English we will be making links to our History topic and writing an acrostic

poem on the theme of Remembrance. We will also look at the features of a diary and write our own.

In Maths, we will use our understanding of place value to subtract three-digit numbers using the column method and regrouping numbers.

Our Science topic will focus on light and darkness. We will focus on that darkness is the absence of light and how we see things. As part of our topic on light we will also be looking at opaque, translucent and transparent objects.

In RE we will be thinking about why Christians believe that God gave Jesus as a gift to the world and what this means to them in their daily lives.

In History, we will focus on the Victorian era and who was Queen Victoria, the Education system and how class affected different people.

In Art, we will be looking at photography and perspective and how taking a photograph from different angles can change a photograph.

In DT we are going to be learning how to sew as a means of joining fabric together and we will design and make our own phone case from felt.

REMINDERS

PE will be on Monday and Swimming will still be on a Wednesday

Please remember to come to school in your PE kit including suitable footwear such as trainers in case we are outside.

(Plain T-shirt, plain Joggers and school cardigan/jumper).

Reading

Please continue to read at home as this is so important and helps children develop skills and a love of books.

Please bring reading books and diaries to school every day.

Look at **MyMaths** for weekly challenges which link to our work in class and revise things done before.

Other key information and key dates for your diary:

Remembrance Day 11th Nov

Children In Need 15th Nov

Anti-bullying Week 18th – 22nd Nov

Open Classroom for parents 28th Nov

Christmas Dinner and Jolly Jumper's Day 11th Dec

Y2/Y3 Sing-a-long 12th Dec at 2.45pm

Y1/Y2/Y3 Christmas parties 18th Dec

In Computing sessions, we are going to be learning about animations and how to make an animation from lots of drawings.

What can you do to support your child's learning?

- 1) Listen to them read. Encourage them to use their phonics to read new words and answer questions about the text. Log their reading in their reading diary.
- 2) Encourage them to use My Maths (and look at place value).
- 3) Help your child continue to learn their times tables. Using Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)
- 4) Log into Spelling Shed and practice the weekly spellings.
 - ❖ Don't forget the Oxford Owl website has some great online reading activities and books to share.
 - ❖ Spelling lists are on Spelling Shed. Please help your child practice these as it really helps them become more confident with their reading and writing.

Reading Dogs



Vocabulary Vince

Draw upon knowledge of vocabulary in order to understand the text.

What does the word mean in this sentence?

- Find and copy a word which means
- What does this word or phrase tell you about
- Which word in this section do you think is the most important? Why?
- Which of the words best describes the character/setting/mood etc?
- Can you think of any other words the author could have used to describe this?
- Why do you think is repeated in this section?
- What do the words and suggest about the character, setting and mood?
- Which word tells you that....?
- Which keyword tells you about the character/setting/mood?
- Find one word in the text which means.....
- Find and highlight the word that is closest in meaning to.....
- Find a word or phrase which shows/suggests that.....

Thank you
Mr Yates

Contacting the year 3. team

We are at the classroom door at drop off and pick up times and am always happy to say hello or have a quick chat.

Call the office to pass on a message or ask for a call back. 0115 9152953

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Don't forget to download the MavellousMe app and keep an eye on the website and Facebook page, for up-to-date information and key messages.

