



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Welcome back to the Summer Term! We hope you all had a fantastic Easter break and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting new term. Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 3:

- **English:** Poetry, stories and non-fiction writing. Our guided reading fiction texts are 'Charlotte's Web' and 'The BFG'. We will read poems and non-fiction related to our learning in Science and Geography.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include Fractions, Mass & Capacity, Money, Time, Shape, and Statistics.
- **Science:** Pupils will explore the topic of 'Plants' (Including a free workshop at Penrose with CAST - more details to follow)
- **Geography:** We will be learning about the sunshine state of Florida and comparing it to the UK.
- **Art/DT:** Pupils will tell stories through drawing and making inspired by Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake. In DT pupils will make reading cushions, practising their cross-stitch and applique skills. (Donations of fabric will be welcome)
- **Music:** Our lessons will focus on singing and playing instruments following the Charanga Unit 'Enjoying Improvisation'
- **PE:** Pupils will play Rounders and Tag Rugby outside and focus on Athletics and Dance in the hall.
- **Computing:** This term we will learn about 'Video Trailers' and 'Comparison Cards Databases'.
- **RE:** Pupils will consider the questions; 'How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?' and 'How and why do religious and non-religious people try to make the world a better place?'
- **Lifeskills:** This term we will think about Hazards and Fire Safety as well as learning how to look after our world.
- **French:** We will learn the names of fruits, and different flavours of ice-creams in French.

PE Day

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 3 will be on **Tuesday and Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports activities.

Home learning

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night for about 20 minutes and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling. We will be sending home spellings each Friday for children to practise from which will be tested weekly. Please continue to encourage your child to improve their mental maths skills with Times Table Rockstars and Maths Whizz. Please note that the spellings and maths home learning will help your child consolidate their in-school learning, however, it is not mandatory.

Healthy Snacks and Hydration

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hayden, Miss Morris-Marsham & Mr Rigg

Year 3 Teachers