

# Year Three Newsletter - Term 6

Dear Families,

We hope you all had a lovely May half term. Our Science topic this term continues to be Animals (including humans). We will be looking in more detail at skeletons of animals and humans and how they differ. We will also look at muscles and how they help the human body function.

This half term we will celebrate British Science Week by taking part in a number of different activities. Our Maths units focus on both time and money – both which can be practised well at home and out and about. Why not let your child pay for something in the local shop or work out the change from £1 for an item.

At the end of this term, we would love for you to send your class teacher (or all of us!) an email showing some of your Science learning from our topic this term – Animals including Humans. You might decide to make a PowerPoint and attach this to an email. Children have been taught how to send an email and add an attachment in their Computing lessons during Summer 1 term. All passwords should be in planners.

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to any one of us or send us a message via ClassDojo.

Mrs Briscoe, Miss Mathie & Mr Williams.

## PE

Year 3 PE day is Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their named PE kit on that day. Earrings need to be removed for PE.

## Reading

Please ensure that your child's reading book and planner are in school every day. We record how many times the children have read each Friday.

## Water

It is crucial that every child arrives at school with fresh water in a named/labelled bottle. Please do not put water bottles inside book bags.

## Snack

As part of our school policy only fruit is allowed for snack time. School will provide this each day.

## ClassDojo

We will use ClassDojo to communicate with you and to share the children's learning.

## Dates

12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> June – Healthy Eating Week

5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (9-10.30am)

14<sup>th</sup> July – Shuffle Up Day

21<sup>st</sup> July – Last day of term

Summer Term 2: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

## English

The children will continue to have daily SPaG lessons (spelling, punctuation and grammar). Joined handwriting is taught weekly, alongside writing and reading lessons. Spellings will be set on a Monday on Spelling Shed. Our first unit is a non-chronological report about skeletons and muscles. Afterwards the children will then be writing their own traditional tale.

Our class novel this half term is Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone.

## Maths

The children will learn about money during their first week back. Looking at how to convert pounds and pence and then add and subtract money and also finding change. They will then move on to time where they will be telling the time and measuring durations of time when given start and end times. They will also have daily arithmetic sessions, building on their learning from last term. Times Table Rockstars activities are monitored and we expect the children to access this each week at home, as well as at school. Please practise the 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables.

## Science

The children will be continue to learn about animals including humans – looking at muscles and skeletons. We will be discussing the types of skeletons that different animals have and how muscles help our bodies move.

We will also be celebrating British Science Week.

## Physical Education

On Thursdays, the children should come to school in the correct PE kit - plain white t shirt, green or black shorts and trainers. **Children should NOT be wearing football kits as PE kit.**

This half term the children will be developing their cricket skills. Throughout the unit, the children will practice their batting, bowling and fielding skills before playing a match at the end of the unit.

## Art

In Art children will be completing a 3D sculpture unit on abstract shape and space. They will experiment different ways to make 2D card into 3D shapes. Children will need to think about how they can shape materials (e.g. folding & rolling)

## Design & Technology

In DT our unit is called Structures: Constructing a castle. Children will be looking at key features of a castle and labelling these. They will also be constructing a range of 3D geometric shapes using nets.

## French

**The unit title this term is The Circle of Life.**

The children will be expected to ask and answer simple questions; practise speaking with a partner; use short phrases to give information; listen and repeat key phonemes with care; repeat short phrases accurately; recognise some familiar words in a written form.

## PSHE:

In PSHE the children will study the unit Safety and the Changing Body. This includes:

1. Basic first aid.
2. Online safety
3. Drugs, alcohol and tobacco – the children will recognise who and what may influence our decisions; and explore how they can make sure they are making the right decision for themselves.
4. Keeping safe out and about.

## Computing

This half term we are looking at Creating media: Video trailers. Children will develop filming and editing video skills through the storyboarding and creation of book trailers. By the end of the unit the children will be able to:

- Create a storyboard for a book trailer
- Consider camera angles when taking photos or videos
- Import photos and videos into film editing software.
- Evaluate their own and others' trailers.