# Year 3 Newsletter: Summer 1

#### Welcome to Summer 1 in Year 3.

We hope you have had a relaxing Easter break and are ready for the next half-term.

- A reminder that the staff in Year 3 are **Mr Walch**, who will be teaching Year 3 Harriers alongside **Miss Lee** who remains with us until the end of the year and **Miss Smith**, who will be teaching Year 3 Kites. They will continue to be assisted by **Miss Lloyd**.
- **PE Days are Friday**. Children should come in full PE Kit on this day, including tape to cover any earrings that cannot be removed.
- Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and be expected to be completed by Thursday. It will be simple English and Maths revision of previous learning and should be completed independently where possible.
- AR books will continue to come home on a continuous cycle when the previous book is brought back. Please make sure that your child's book is returned at least once a week.

## Please see below for a summary of the curriculum for this half-term:



#### In English:

Children will have read to them 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman as their whole class read. If anyone wants to bring their own copy in to read along with, they can do so. They will continue to work on their handwriting and spelling. The children will be looking closely at writing poetry as well as recount writing.

In Art:

The focus for art this half term is

watercolours. Children will use a variety of

painting techniques to enable them to

create a watercolour Lake District inspired

piece of artwork.

In RE:

Children will be learning about

Hinduism. Exploring the Key question - How can Brahman be everywhere and everything?

#### In PSHE: Children will focus on Health and Wellbeing including Healthy Eating and how to take care of our bodies (physically and emotionally).





In Science: Children will become more familiar with the plants and animals in their local and wider environments. They will learn how to identify the different parts of a plant and their functions. They will also develop the knowledge of what plants need to grow and live. This will link with our art topic where we will be using watercolours to sketch and colour in plant pictures.

#### In Maths:

Children will continue learning about Fractions this half term building on our knowledge from the end of last term. We will explore unit fractions and non-unit fractions and also look at equivalent fractions. We will do this through a range of practical and written methods to ensure children gain a deeper understanding.

Children will learn about mass and capacity. We will focus on the skills needed to measure mass using grams and kilograms. We will also look at comparing capacity and volume.

### In PE:

Children will continue to go swimming on a Thursday at Palatine Leisure Centre. During their PE lessons on a Friday, children will take part in outdoor and adventurous activities, including a trip to Fairhaven lake. They will also be learning the skills whilst playing Rounders.

#### In Computing:

This half-term will focus on Simulations. We will be using Purple Mash to cover this topic. The children may want to log on at home to practise some more or share what they have been leaning.





**In History:** Children will learn about one of the most fascinating civilisations in history as they explore ancient Greece. Children will learn about the everyday life of ancient Greeks and how their legacy shapes the world we live in today.