

Year 3 – Term 1 Information and Key Learning

Welcome to Year 3

Welcome back to school and to Year 3. We all hope you have had a wonderful summer and had a restful and enjoyable break. We are glad to be back to our 'new normal' and to see the children back in school excited and ready for their learning. The information below shows some of the new things the children will be learning and how you can help support their learning at home. Please do not hesitate to ask any questions you may have. We are really looking forward to a busy and exciting term with the children.

Our learning this term

This term, Year 3 will be looking at the History of Bridge, exploring the how the village has changed over the years, comparing old and current photographs and thinking about how it may change in the future. This will also involve learning some geographical skills as the children walk around the village and create their own maps. The learning will be linked to our Science work on Light and Shadows, as the children learn to take photographs of the village. In English, we will be looking at *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick*, where the children will create their own mystery stories based on the photographs they have taken around the village. There will be a focus on using descriptive language and sentence structure. We will also read *The Black Dog*, a story about overcoming adversity and the children will create suspense stories using descriptive writing and dialogue.

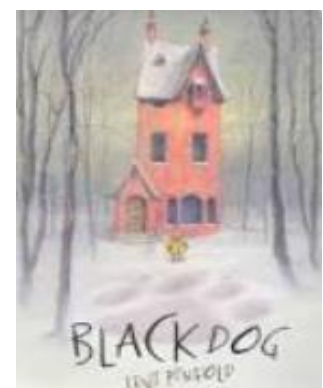
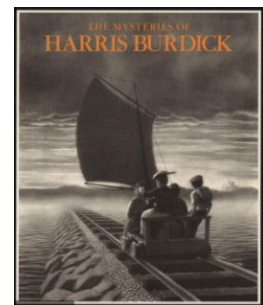
This term, our Maths focus will be on number: extending our understanding of place value; reading and writing numbers up to a thousand. The children will learn how to use appropriate written formal methods for addition and subtraction and begin to look at the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.

The big question in RE is 'What is it like to follow God' and we will discuss how 'The People of God' try to live in the way God wants, following his commands and worshipping him.

The children will be learning about Online Safety and how to create basic spreadsheets in their computing lessons. Music will be with Mr Miles where the children will be exploring rhythm and patterns in Samba percussion.

Key Information

- **Meet the Team (Zoom session)** – Tuesday 22nd Sept @ 4pm. Details to follow.
- **Parental Consultations** – Monday 28th September appointments available via Zoom 9am-11am and 2pm – 5pm.
- **Evening Parental Consultations** – Wednesday 7th February 4pm – 7pm.
- Buster book club reading night is Wednesday.
- PE days – Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has the correct kit.
- Please use the Reading Record to note when you have listened to or read with your child and also use this book to contact us if need be.
- Due to Covid restrictions, the library is open for Year 3 children on a Tuesday. Time will be made with the class teacher/teaching assistant to change and borrow new books. We will encourage all children to use the library at this time.
- As the weather is slowly beginning to turn colder, please could all children come to school with a warm/waterproof coat? Children may also bring wellies which can be left in school on the welly rack.



English Key Learning Facts

Key aim: To read and spell common exception words

This terms home learning focusses on consolidating children's understanding and spelling of the year 3 common exception words. Below is a list of the key words children should be able to spell.

about	before	first	have
across	being	from	heard
after	both	goes	here
again	but	gone	how
almost	came	good	just
also	could	great	knew

Suggested Activities

Using felt tips pen and art activities - Most children enjoy using felt tips. Encourage your child to use more than one colour for each word – can they spot any patterns?

Games - Can your child guess which word you are thinking of, based on your clues? Can they match the word to the picture? Can you guess the word based on their clues?

Use the word - Making meaning helps us all to remember; if writing a sentence down is hard, talk the sentence out loud.

Spot the deliberate mistake - If you write out the words (and make a deliberate mistake) can your child find it? Don't forget to tell them, you have made a mistake.

Mathematics Key Learning Facts

Key aim: to consolidate the multiplication and division facts for the two times table.

This terms home learning focusses on consolidating the children's knowledge of the two times table.

On the right are some examples of questions that you could ask your child. They can always try the 3,4 and 8's if too.

$$2 \times 10 = 20$$

$$10 \times 2 = 20$$

$$20 \div 2 = 10$$

$$20 \div 10 = 2$$

$$6 \times 2 = 12$$

$$2 \times 6 = 12$$

$$12 \div 2 = 6$$

$$12 \div 6 = 2$$

Key Vocabulary

What is 2 multiplied by 7?

What is 2 times 9?

What is 12 divided by 2?

By the end of the Year 3, children should know all multiplication and division facts of the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. They should be able to answer times table questions in any order including missing numbers E.G.

$$10 \times \bigcirc = 20 \quad \text{or} \quad \bigcirc \div 2 = 4.$$

Thank you for your continued support.