year 3 Newsletter

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely break. We will be covering the following during the next half term:

<u>Mat</u>hs



In Maths, we will continue to look at numbers to 1,000.

This will include knowing that 10 tens are equivalent to 100, recognising the place value of each digit in three digit numbers, reasoning about the location of three digit numbers, dividing 100 into equal parts and calculating complements to 100. Please continue to practise times tables at home using TT rockstars or Hit the Button.

English

Our key text in English will be 'Leon and the Place Between'. Children will explore the story structure, characters, events and plot before planning and writing their own story based on this one. There will be a focus on accurate tense, expanded noun phrases, conjunctions, handwriting and accurate punctuation. Children will also be encouraged to use higher level vocabulary. In reading, children will explore a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. They will answer a variety of inference and vocabulary questions and learn to summarise what they have read. We have been really impressed with the children's progress with reading so far, please continue to encourage reading at home!



Science



In our Science lessons we will be looking at Forces and Magnets. We will be investigating pushes, pulls and twists and describing the effect of contact forces. We will also investigate friction and conduct experiments testing the effects of friction on different objects. We will also investigate magnetism and magnetic poles, testing which objects are magnetic and non-magentic.



Theme

Our History theme for this term is Ancient Egypt. We will be finding out about Egyptian Gods and Goddesses and why the Egyptians built temples, tombs and pyramids. We will also find out what the Egyptians believed about death and how Egyptians buried their dead (mummification). We will also be finding out about the life of Tutankhamun.

In DT we will be designing, making and evaluating our own Christmas product for our theme based on Treasure Island.

P.E Days

For this half-term, Year 3 will have P.E. on Mondays and Thursdays.

Please ensure your child has a **full Godley P.E kit in school**. This consists of a **white t.-shirt, black shorts, pumps for indoor sessions and trainers for outdoor P.E.** As the weather is getting colder, your child may bring tracksuit bottoms and a top/fleece to wear. These must be either black or grey or at the very least, dark in colour.

Homework and Key Dates

Homework will continue to be times tables practise and reading at home. The children are expected to record any reading in their reading records and to read three times per week. Your child will receive their spellings on Friday 7^{th} November and the first spelling test will be on Friday 14^{th} November.

Key Dates

Monday 10th November – Anti-Bullying Week 'Choose Respect'. All children are invited to wear odd socks on the Monday to celebrate being unique.

Friday 14th November – Children In Need - all children invited to come to school in pyjamas and make a small donation - link will be published on MCAS App.

Friday 5th December: Godley Christmas Fair 3:30pm - 5pm.

Tuesday 9th December: Years 1,2 and 3 Christmas Show 9:30am and 2pm

Friday 12th December: Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner which can be booked via MCAS

Wednesday 17th December: Year 3/4 Christmas Party - wear party clothes

Friday 19th December 3:30pm: School closes for Christmas Break

Tuesday 6^{th} January - Children return to school

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mrs Eddleston & Mrs Parkhouse